Meet our Intern & Pancake Day by Hanno

Hint: You will find useful vocabulary at the end! :)

Before we start our journey into this wonderful and very important day, I will – brazenly, as I am – use the first couple of sentences to introduce myself to you, the reader.

My name is Hanno, I am 20 years old and was born in Hannover (**currently** living in Hamburg). Don't ask me about the **origins** of this name, because the only thing I will tell you is that there once was a King called "Hanno the Great". Apparently the internet says I am a gift from god and I definitely **approve** this statement.

I am now in my 2nd week of my three-week-internship at Kaplan and I love it so far. The **diversity** of my tasks and the friendliness of the staff and all the students are extremely refreshing. And don't get me wrong: it's not that bad in Germany but I definitely enjoy the different experience, probably more than I should. My regular tasks of the day are: creating parts of the Kaplan monthly magazine as well as creating some posters for the weekly activities, helping Astrid and Jane at reception, **invigilating** the K+ tests in our IT-Centre and chasing people for James from the accommodation office to tell them that they need to pay for their accommodation or otherwise something bad will happen… I'm just **kidding**. We've never had any payment **issues**, so this method is always very "**profitable**".

Enough of that boring introduction and let's continue with the most important thing in life: PANCAKES.   I am not a good cook by any stretch, but pancakes are pretty much the easiest thing you can make as a meal. You basically just need some eggs, milk, butter, flour, sugar and you are **good to go**. This obviously **deserves** an international day of pure celebration.

Pancake Day, or Shrove Tuesday, is the traditional feast day before the start of **Lent** on Ash Wednesday. **Lent** was traditionally a time of **fasting** and on Shrove Tuesday, Anglo-Saxon Christians went to confession and were **absolved from their sins**. A bell would be rung to call people to confession. This came to be called the "Pancake Bell".

Pancake Day always falls 47 days before Easter Sunday, so the date **varies** from year to year and falls between February the 3rd and March the 9th. In 2019 Shrove Tuesday fell on March the 5th.

It is the last opportunity to use up eggs and fats before **Lent** would start and pancakes are the perfect way of using up these **ingredients**.

In conclusion: you have to make pancakes on that day! So we did and it was great.

Every student seemed to love them and we sold each pancake for just £1 that would go to charity instead of making **profit**. **In total we raised £60.15 for charity!**

The charity company is called "PLAN INTERNATIONAL" and their plan is to work with **vulnerable** children and especially girls so that they can learn, lead, decide and **thrive**.

For achieving this goal they have created a five-year-schedule which includes:

- Deliver greater **impact** for **vulnerable** children , especially girls
- Lead on girl's rights
- Transform girl's lives
- Leave no one behind
- **Deepen** partnerships
- Influence greater change at local and global events

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Thank you for buying a pancake and making this world just a bit better!

Lent = not eating for a period of time (it is allowed in the night time)	**currently =** right now
fasting = not eating on a day	**origins =** beginning/birth
absolved from their sins = forgiven by god	**approve =** making sure something is correct
varies = changes	**diversity =** differences
ingredients = the things you need for creating a meal	**invigilating =** supervise
vulnerable = easy to damage	**kidding =** making a joke
thrive = progress	**issues =** problems
impact = having a big effect on something	**profitable =** making money
Deepen = intensify	**good to go =** ready to start
	deserves = good enough to receive