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# Friends

- Write down the names of three people who are important to you: a friend, a relative and somebody famous.
- **2** Ask other people in the class about their lists. Find out as much as you can.

# Fame

- 1 Discuss these questions:
  - a) Who are the five most famous people in your country?
  - b) Who do you think is the most famous man in the world?
  - c) Who do you think is the most famous woman in the world?





- a) Do you know who these people are?
- b) What do you know about them?

## 1 Marisol

- 2 Andreas
- 3 Madonna



#### LANGUAGE TOOLBOX

He/She looks like ... This one could be ... Perhaps it's (Bob Marley)'s son/daughter/mother Maybe it's ... It's difficult to say, but ... **3** Each of the famous people in the photographs in 2 is related to one of the people below. Match each of the famous people to their relation and say how they are related.



Test your questions  These are the answers from an interview with a celebrity. Write the questions.

- I was born in London, but I've got dual nationality because my mother's from Nicaragua.
- b) No, I'm living in Ibiza now.
- c) Not long. I moved from London with my two daughters, Assisi and Amba, about six months ago.
- d) Yeah, very happy. We love the outdoor life. Also, my mother's a Spanish speaker and I feel more comfortable in a Latin country.
- e) Yeah, I've made lots of new friends here. A few English, but my two best friends are Argentinian and Spanish.
- f) I'm a painter, but I've recently started a jewellery business with a friend, and that takes up most of my time. I also do some modelling when I need the cash!
- g) Well, with a business and two young children I don't have much free time, but I love reading and listening to music.
- h) All sorts: pop music and classical.
- i) No, never, but don't tell my father.
- Not very often. My mother's in New York and my father's often on tour. But we all love big family get-togethers.
- k) That's a difficult question because I've been to so many amazing places, but I think Brazil is my favourite. The children love it there too.
- 1) I think my father chose it: my mother wanted me to have a Spanish name.
- 2 11 Listen to the interview. Are your questions the same as the ones on the recording?

Pronunciation

1 **EXAMPLE 1** 1 Look at tapescript 02 and listen to the questions. <u>Underline</u> the strongest stress in each question.

For example: Where were you <u>born</u>?

2 Work with someone you don't know very well. Use questions from the interview and the following prompts to find out as much as you can about each other.

Have you ...? What's your favourite ...? Who ...? Do you enjoy ...? Are you good at ...? Can you ...? How long have you ...? Do you ever ...? Are you interested in ...?



# Close up

Question forms

Work with a partner and discuss the following:

- a) In each of the following questions, which word is the *subject*? Which is the *auxiliary*? Which is the *main verb*?
  - 1 Has she been to Paris?
  - 2 Did you have a good flight?
  - 3 Is John staying at the George V?
  - 4 What do you do?
- b) In a question, does the subject usually come before or after the auxiliary?
- c) What tenses are used in a)?
- d) Match the tenses to the auxiliaries.

continuous tenses	have/has/had
perfect tenses	do/does/did
simple tenses	am/is/are/was/were

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- e) There are nine *modal auxiliaries*. Three of them are *can*, *could* and *would*. What are the other six?
- f) *Which, when* and *how* are *question words*. There are five other important question words. What are they?
- g) Where does a question word usually go in a question?

Subject questions 1 Which person is the *subject* and which is the *object* in this sentence?

Mark Chapman shot John Lennon in December 1980.

- 2 What are the answers to these two questions?
  - 1 Who did Mark Chapman shoot?
  - 2 Who shot John Lennon?
  - a) Is who the subject or the object of each question?
  - b) Which question uses an auxiliary?
- **3** The words in these sentences have been mixed up. Put the words in the correct order. Add *did* when necessary.
  - a) who Arantxa Sánchez trains?
  - b) band play Bob Marley which with?
  - c) Mick Jagger with songs who writes?
  - d) marry Yoko Ono who?
  - e) appear \$1 million advert Claudia Schiffer in who car a paid to?
  - f) for the World Ronaldo play in Cup who 1998?

Match the questions to the answers in the box.

John Lennon Keith Richards The Wailers Citroën Brazil Her father

**4** Use the words in the box to make five true sentences.

a)	Elton John	died	Evita in the film of the same name.
b)	Madonna	wrote	Candle in the Wind at Princess Diana's funeral.
c)	Edith Piaf	played	La Traviata in 1853.
d)	Frank Sinatra	sang	Je Ne Regrette Rien.
e)	Verdi	performed	in 1998.

**5** Write two questions for each of the sentences in 4.

For example:

- a) Who performed ... Who performed 'Candle in the Wind' at Princess Diana's funeral? Which song ... Which song did Elton John perform at Princess Diana's funeral?
- b) Who ... Which part ...
- c) Who ... Which famous song ...
- d) When ... Which American singer ...
- e) When ... Who ...

# **Prepositions** 1 Sentences in English can end with a preposition, for example: *Where do you come from*? Which prepositions are missing from these questions?

- a) Who do you usually have lunch \_\_\_\_\_
- b) What are you learning English \_\_\_\_\_?
- c) What do you spend most money \_\_\_\_\_?
- d) Who does your teacher remind you \_\_\_\_\_?
- e) When you go out with your friends what do you talk \_\_\_\_\_?
- f) What kind of music do you like listening \_\_\_\_\_?
- **2** Work with a partner. Ask your partner the questions in 1.

Using questions 1

Many questions are formed using the same few structures. Match the questions to the most appropriate answers.

Have you got?	a)	Have you got any children?	Yes, plenty, thank you.
	b)	Have you got a pen?	Sure. What do you want?
	c)	Have you got a moment?	Yes, here you are.
	d)	Have you got enough potatoes?	Yes, three.
Is that?	a)	Is that your father?	Yes, I'm sorry. Is he bothering you?
	b)	Is that my pen?	We'd better get a taxi.
	c)	Is that your dog?	Yes, it is. I'm sorry, it looks just like mine.
	d)	Is that the time?	Yes. That's the day he joined the army.
Would you like to?	a)	Would you like to go out for a coffee?	It's always been my dream to do that.
	b)	Would you like to call me tomorrow?	Certainly. Is it OK if I smoke?
	c)	Would you like to live in the country?	OK. What time would be good for you?
	d)	Would you like to wait here for a moment?	Good idea. Where shall we go?

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2 Which of the questions are asking for information? What are the others doing? Imagine the situations.

# **Noughts & Crosses**

- 1 Work in two teams. Team A look at page 140. Team B look at page 143.
- **2** Use the questions to play *Noughts and Crosses*. The aim of the game is to get a line of noughts or crosses before the other team.
  - a) Draw a Noughts and Crosses grid on a separate piece of paper.
  - b) Decide whether your team is noughts (0) or crosses (X).
  - c) Take it in turns to ask and answer questions. When a team answers a question correctly, they choose a square on the grid and mark a nought or a cross.



# Language reference: questions

Question forms have many examples:	y uses. Here are a few
Asking for information:	Where's the nearest post office?
Asking for permission:	Is it OK if I leave work early tonight?
Making requests:	Could you pass me the salt?
Making offers:	Can I help?
Making invitations:	Would you like to go out for dinner?
Making suggestions:	Shall we go to the cinema?
Showing friendly interest:	How are your children?

#### Yes/No questions

1 When *be* is the only verb in the sentence, you put it before the subject in the question.

Affirmative: You were in my class last year. Question: Were you in my class last year?

2 You usually put the auxiliary before the subject of the sentence.

#### Present continuous

You're working for IBM. Are you working for IBM?

#### Past continuous

You were thinking about Jack again. Were you thinking about Jack again?

Present perfect She's been to Paris recently. Has she been to Paris recently?

#### Past perfect

He'd already left when she arrived. Had he already left when she arrived?

Present simple He speaks English very well. Does he speak English?

Past simple She played football yesterday. Did she play football yesterday?

Note: Because there is no auxiliary in the affirmative of simple tenses, you use the auxiliary *do* to form questions.

- 3 There are nine modal auxiliary verbs: can, could, will, would, shall, should, may, might, must. You usually put modal auxiliaries before the subject.
  - can You can swim. Can you swim?
  - will She'll be here tomorrow. Will she be here tomorrow?

#### **Open questions**

Open questions use question words: when, where, who, why, how, which, what and whose. You usually put the question word at the beginning of a question.

Do you smoke?
Are you going?
Has he gone?
Are you tired?

When are you going? Where has he gone? Why are you tired?

How much do you smoke?

#### Subject questions

When the question word is the subject of the sentence you do not use *do*, *does* or *did*:

Affirmative: Mark Chapman shot John Lennon in 1980.

Subject question: *Who shot John Lennon?* This happens most often with *who*, but can also happen with *which* and *what*.

Which company bought Rolls Royce in 1998? What happened next?

#### Questions ending with prepositions

Many verbs can be followed by a *dependent* preposition. You usually put the preposition at the end of a question.

He spent all his money on whisky and beer. What did he spend all his money **on**?



# Friends for life

1 Tina and Will met when they were both studying at the same university. Three years later, a student magazine contacted them and asked them to take part in a survey to find out how many people had stayed friends.

Look at the photographs of Tina and Will. Do you think the following statements are true or false?

- a) Tina and Will had similar interests when they were at university.
- They chose similar careers when they finished their studies. b)
- They have similar lifestyles now. c)
- 2 Read what they both say about their friendship and find out if you were right.

TINA I first met Will when I was looking for someone to share the house I was renting. I put an advertisement in the local student newspaper and he was one of the people who answered it. When we met, we hit it off straightaway and I told him he could move in. Living with Will was fun. We soon found out that we had a lot in common and guickly

- 5 became close friends. We always had really good discussions about everything that was important to us at the time: politics, the environment, literature and other less important things like cooking. We also liked the same music and that's important when you're sharing a house. We fell out a couple of times about the housework. Will thinks I'm untidy but I think life's too short to worry about things like that.
- When we graduated three years ago, we went our separate ways and since then our lives have been very different. I went back to my home town and got a job as a production assistant for art exhibitions. I like my job because I'm helping young people to get involved in the arts. I'm living with my parents because I'm not earning very much. Will thinks I'm crazy because money is very important to him now, but I get a lot of personal satisfaction
- 15 from my job. He's earning a lot of money, but he doesn't have time to spend with his family and his friends. I don't see him very often now. When he comes down for the weekend we have a laugh, but our lifestyles are so different now that we don't have very much to talk about.

WILL Tina and I got on very well together at university. When we first met, we clicked 20 straightaway and we ended up sharing a house for nearly three years. We had the same attitude to the important things in life and the only thing we argued about was the housework. I'm a Virgo so I'm very tidy whereas Tina's the opposite. I don't think she ever found out where we kept the vacuum cleaner!

When I left university, I moved to London and got a job in a finance company. I have to 25 work long hours and I don't really enjoy what I'm doing but I earn a very good salary. I'm very ambitious and I want to get to the top of my profession. I enjoy spending money on CDs, clothes, a nice car and going out to good restaurants. Tina's working really hard as well, but she's not earning much. I don't understand why she's doing it. I think she's having a holiday - it seems very idealistic to me. Anyway, it means that our lifestyles are 30 very different now so we've drifted apart. We haven't fallen out or anything. We still talk on the phone and when I go down to visit her, we have a laugh. I know she'll always be there for me.

(Adapted from The Independent, 9 April 1998)



ogether at University

- Lexis Tina and Will use several expressions to talk about their friendship. Complete as many 1 of these expressions as you can from memory. Compare them with a partner. Then look at the article again to check.
  - Two expressions that mean 'we liked one another immediately'. a) We clicked ... We hit it ...
  - b) An expression that means 'we had similar interests'. We had a lot ...
  - c) An expression that means 'we enjoyed one another's company'. We got on ...
  - d) An expression that means 'we got to know one another very well'. We became close ....
  - e) An expression that means 'we argued'. We fell ...
  - f) Two expressions that mean 'we became more distant from one another'. We went our separate ... We drifted ...
  - g) An expression that means 'I know I can count on her when I need a friend'. She'll always be ...
  - The following is a summary of Tina and Will's friendship. Put the lines of the summary 2 in the correct order.

(

- ) met. They became close
- ) separate ways and they've drifted

() in common. Now they have gone their

- ) friends and got on
- (1) Tina and Will hit it

- (2) off immediately when they first ) out and they say that they are still
- ) there for one another. (
  - ) apart. They haven't fallen
  - ) well together. They had a lot

Anecdote

- 1 03 Listen to Balvir telling Tim about a close friend. Which of the following topics do they talk about? How did you first meet? What do they look like?
  - What was your first impression of them?
  - What do you like about them? What don't you like about them?
  - What do you have in common?
  - How do you differ?
  - Why did you become such
    - close friends?
  - Will you be friends for life?

- What are they like as a person?
- What special talents and abilities do they have?
- What kind of clothes do they wear?
- What's their job?
- What's their family like?
- What are their hobbies and interests?
- What do you do and what do you talk about when you're together?



Balvir and Tim

- Listen again and note down what they said about the topics. 2
- 3 Think about a close friend. You are going to tell a partner about him or her. Choose from the list in 1 the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and what language you will need.
- Tell your partner about your friend. 4



# You've got a friend

Vowel sounds

1 Vowels in English can be *long*, as in 'feel' /fi:l/, or *short*, as in 'fill' /fil/. Look at the list of words. Think about the <u>underlined</u> sounds. Which are long vowels and which are short vowels? Divide them into two groups.

a)	c <u>a</u> ll	e)	<u>goo</u> d	i)	s <u>oo</u> n
b)	come	f)	got	j)	winter
c)	darkest	g)	hurt	k)	thank
d)	friend	h)	need	1)	think

Long: /ɑ:/ /i:/ /u:/ /3:/ /ɔ:/ Short: /æ/ /e/ /ɪ/ /ə/ /ʌ/ /ʋ/ /ɒ/

For example: call - /o:/

- 3 Think of other words for each sound. Check them in your dictionary.
- **4 11** 05 You are going to listen to the song *You've Got a Friend*. Tick the words from 1 as you hear them. Which word isn't in the song?



**5** Look at the lyrics. The lines have been cut in half. In Column A the lines are in the correct order but in Column B they are mixed up. Listen and match the two halves of each line.

		А	В
VERSE 1	1)	When you're down	loving care
	2)	And you need some	even your darkest night
	3)	And nothing, no,	and think of me
	4)	Close your eyes	and troubled
	5)	Oh, and soon	is going right
	6)	To brighten up	I will be there
CHORUS	1)	You just call out	be there, yes I will
	2)	And you know	summer or fall
	3)	I'll come running,	is call
	4)	Don't you know that winter, spring,	wherever I am
	5)	All you've got to do	a friend
	6)	And I'll	yeah, to see you again
	7)	You've got	my name
VERSE 2	1)	Ain't it good to know that	if you let them
	2)	People can	be so cold
	3)	They'll hurt you	let them
	4)	Take your very soul	you've got a friend
	5)	So don't	and desert you

- Lexis 1 One of the lines is 'Ain't it good to know that you've got a friend'. What does *ain't* mean? Is it correct English?
  - **2** Read the following lines from different pop songs. Rewrite the <u>underlined</u> words in more formal English.
    - a) I wanna hold your hand.
    - b) The sun's gonna shine on everything you do.
    - c) It ain't me you're looking for, babe.
    - d) The way I'm feeling, yeah, it just don't feel right.
    - e) I can't get <u>no</u> satisfaction.
    - f) You gotta roll with it.
  - **3** Try to match the singer or band in the box with the lines of the songs in 2.

Oasis the Beatles Bob Dylan All Saints the Rolling Stones Lighthouse Family

Check your answers on page 141.

4 Collect other examples of 'pop song English' and bring them to class.



# You've got mail

- 1 These e-mail messages were sent to a magazine for English language students.
  - a) Which ones do you think are the most and least interesting? Why?
  - b) Are there any messages that you would be interested in answering?

	Delete Ptint Forward Reply Don
and a dog. I had eight fish but they're dea	ski, swim and play waterpolo. I LOVE animals. I've got five hamsters d. I also had a turtle, but my neighbour's dog killed her. I also like ana and Bush, and I have my own band called Turbulence. Ben, the Netherlands
	an of 44, with two grown-up children, a piano, a dog and a few g, but mostly in people and different lifestyles. Ana, Spain
19-year-old girl who loves to dance, talk, e	hat I've got your attention I can tell you that I'm a exercise and go horse-riding. I'm interested in everything from ite to me you will get a response. SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING Francine, France
19-year-old girl who loves to dance, talk, e football to ballet. I promise that if you wri FOR?!	exercise and go horse-riding. I'm interested in everything from ite to me you will get a response. SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING Francine, France to write to girls from all around the world because girls are easy to

- Write an e-mail with a message about yourself.
- **3** This is a letter written by one of the people in 1. Read it and decide who wrote it.



- 4 Find ten spelling mistakes and ten missing capital letters and write the words correctly.
- 5 Write a letter introducing yourself to a penpal.

#### Dear .....

thank you for your e-mail message and your adress. I am writting to you to tell you more about myself and also to send you a photograph. That's me on the left. The one in the middle is my older brother, olivier, and that's my sister sonia on the right. I get on very well with my sister, but my brother and I have nothing in common – he's very serious and boreing. He just spends all his time on the computer and never goes out.

I like going out - especialy to dance. On saturday nights I dance in a nightclub to earn some money because i'm a student. I'm studying english and spanish at university, but I'm not sure why. I mean, I don't know what I want to do when I leave university.

Anyway, I love traveling and languages will be usefull for that. Last summer I studyed english at a school in chicago (my parents are divorced and my dad lives there now) and next summer I want to go to spain to learn flamenco and go horse-riding on the beach.

What else can I tell you? I'm single. I had a boyfriend for six months, but we split up because he was to jealous. I want to get maried and have children one day, but not yet!

As I told you in the e-mail, I'm interested in just about everything – even football! How about you? Please write soon and tell me what you're interested in. Appologies for my bad spelling. Love ...

# Relax

Think about some of the things you did yesterday. Note them down under three headings: working, studying or relaxing.

How much time did you spend working or studying, and how much time relaxing? Was this a typical day? Compare with a partner.

# The Little Book of Calm

1 Look at the photograph. How do you think the woman is feeling? Look at the book she's reading. What do you think it's about?



UNIT



Sally

- **2** According to *The Little Book of Calm*, a relaxed person:
  - a) spends time alone.
  - b) has a short nap during the day.
  - c) goes for a walk in the country or in a park.
  - d) does some physical exercise.
  - e) goes running.
  - f) floats in water.
  - g) has a leisurely hot bath.
  - h) takes a different route to work or college.
  - i) drinks hot water.
  - j) has a massage.
  - k) goes dancing.
  - drinks milk.
  - m) changes their routine.

The four people in the photos read *The Little Book of Calm*. Do you think they liked it? Why/Why not?

3 16 Listen to each speaker. Were you right? What activities from 2 did each one mention?

## Close up

Adverbs of frequency 1 Listen again and read tapescript 06. <u>Underline</u> all the words and expressions that tell you how often people do things.

#### For example:

... I <u>never</u> have time for a nap during the day. I have a massage <u>from time to time</u>, but I <u>hardly</u> <u>ever</u> have a leisurely bath ...

2 Work with a partner. Match each of the words and expressions you have underlined in the tapescript with the word or expression below that has the most similar meaning.

often regularly sometimes not very often don't ever

**3** Ask your partner questions to find out how often they do any of the things recommended by *The Little Book of Calm.* Do they do any other relaxing activities?

Do you ever ...? Yes. Every day/often /once a week /sometimes ... Yes, but not very often/hardly ever/No, never ...

**4** Where would you put *often* and where would you put *every morning* in this sentence? Bob (a) walks to work (b).

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**5** Do the adverbs below usually go in position (a) or position (b)?

frequently from time to time always hardly ever never now and again occasionally once a month usually once in a blue moon rarely sometimes twice a year normally once every two weeks

6 Put the adverbs in bold into these sentences:

- a) I eat out in restaurants. once in a blue moon
- b) I go to the hairdresser's. once every six weeks
- c) I argue with my brothers and sisters. hardly ever
- d) I check my e-mails. every day
- e) I listen to classical music. now and again
- f) I forget where I've put my keys. sometimes
- g) I'm late for appointments. often
- h) I go for a run. once or twice a week
- 7 Do you think these sentences are true for your partner? Rewrite them changing the adverbs as necessary.

For example:

Mikel eats out in restaurants two or three times a week.

Now ask your partner questions to check if the sentences you have written are true.

For example: How often do you go to the hairdresser's? Do you ever listen to classical music?

**8** Work with a partner. Ask your partner questions to find out how similar or different you are.

How often do you<br/>Do you everreceive letters or e-mailsdream in colour<br/>go to the gym<br/>surf the Internet<br/>rent videosgo to the gym<br/>get headacheslook at yourself in the mirrorwrite lettersgo to the theatre

# Language reference: adverbs of frequency

#### Adverbs

always, often, frequently, usually, normally, generally, sometimes, occasionally, rarely, not often, hardly ever, never

The most usual positions are: Before the main verb: I sometimes have time for a nap. I rarely read the paper.

After the verb to be: He's always late. She's hardly ever in when I call.

After the first auxiliary: I've often wondered why he hates her so much. He's never been sent a Valentine's card.

#### Adverb phrases

two or three times a week, every morning, once a month, from time to time, now and again, once in a blue moon, etc.

The most usual position is at the beginning or end of a clause.

I have a massage from time to time. I have an English lesson twice a week. Once a month I go dancing with my friends.

Note: always, usually and normally are not used on their own to tell you 'how often' something happens. How often do you go out? Always. X

Every night. 🖌

Do you ever play tennis? Yes, usually. X

Yes, once or twice a week. ✓ Do you often get headaches? <del>Yes, normally.</del> ★ Yes, frequently. ✓

UNIT 2 Relax

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# Sally sees herself as she really is

1 Read the article and find out:

- a) how Sally changes her mind about how she sees herself.
- b) what she thinks of The Little Book of Calm.

was under the impression that I was quite a relaxed sort of person until I watched the video of my sister's wedding. As I watched myself, I realised that I am not the cool, calm, sophisticated woman I thought I was. In fact I'm

the opposite. I fidget. I talk non-stop, fiddle with my hair, scratch my nose, wave my hands around like a lunatic, bite my nails, and I never sit back elay on a seat. Loit on the edge of it, ready to jump

and relax on a seat, I sit on the edge of it, ready to jump up and go somewhere else.

So it was no surprise when a friend gave me The Little Book of Calm for my last birthday.

I read the blurb on the back cover. 'Feeling stressed?' it asked. 'Need some help to regain balance in your life? *The Little Book of Calm* is full of advice to follow and thoughts to inspire. Open it at any page and you will find a path to inner peace.'

So I opened it at any page and read the advice: 'Wear white.' Wear white! I haven't worn white since my first child was born. This is not good advice for someone who

has to deal with young children and their dirty fingers every day. I turned to another page. 'Take a lesson in calmness

from children. Watch how children live every moment for the pleasure of the moment.' Do you know my children? When one of them is screaming, 'Aargh! he's pulling my hair!' and the other is screaming, 'She's taken my sweets!', the feeling I get is not calmness.

'Make an appointment with yourself to deal with worries at a specific time in the future.' Make an appointment! I've already got too many appointments. I don't need another appointment to worry about.

'Get up early and watch the sunrise.' Well that's nothing new. I wake up at the crack of dawn every day, thanks to the children. I haven't had a lie-in for years.

'For every ninety minutes of work, take a twentyminute break.' Yes, I like that. But there's a problem. Who's going to tell my children 'Don't disturb Mummy now, she's having a break.'?

'Use a soft voice.' With fighting children? I don't think so. In fact, my voice is getting louder every day. I decided to try once more. 'Rediscover milk.' No problem. I love milk and I drink it all the time ... with a shot of strong Italian espresso coffee in it, of course.



- **2** Are these sentences true or false?
  - a) Before seeing the video, Sally thought she was a calm sort of person.
  - b) She wasn't surprised when she saw herself on video.
  - c) She discovered that she's the sort of person who never keeps still.
  - d) She read The Little Book of Calm from cover to cover.
  - e) The advice in *The Little Book of Calm* changed her life.
- **3** Have you ever seen yourself on video? What were the circumstances? Were you surprised at how you looked? How did you feel about it? Ask a partner.

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- Lexis 1 Find expressions in the article with a similar meaning to the <u>underlined</u> words. Compare with a partner. Then look back at the article to check.
  - a) I never stop moving. (line 6)
  - b) I talk constantly. (line 6)
  - c) I touch my hair. (lines 6–7)
  - d) Arrange a time to give your attention to your worries. (lines 29-30)
  - e) I wake up very early in the morning. (line 34)
  - f) I never sleep late in the mornings. (line 35)
  - g) For every ninety minutes of work, rest for twenty minutes. (line 36-37)
  - **2** Complete these sentences with words and expressions from 1 above. Sometimes you will need to change the grammar of the expressions.
    - a) Nobody can ever get a word in because you ...
    - b) Don't phone me before eleven tomorrow morning. I want to ...
    - c) Did you remember to ring the dentist and ...
    - d) You look tired. Why don't you ...
    - e) Sit still! Stop ...
    - f) Carla, you'll break that if you keep on ...
    - g) In this job you'll have a lot of new problems to ...
    - h) Our flight leaves at 8.05 so we need to get up ...
  - 3 How well do you know your partner? Read the questionnaire on the right and choose A) or B) according to which you think is true for your partner.
  - 4 The more B) answers you have, the more relaxed you are. Find out who's the most relaxed person in the class.

# Close up

- Present tenses
- 1 The article *Sally sees herself as she really is* uses three different present tense structures: the present simple, the present continuous and the present perfect. Look at the extracts below. Which tense is each one in?
  - a) I bite my nails and I never sit back and relax on a seat.
  - b) I haven't worn white since my first child was born.
  - c) 'Aargh! he's pulling my hair!'
  - d) 'She's taken my sweets!'
  - e) I wake up at the crack of dawn every day.
  - f) I haven't had a lie-in for years.
  - g) My voice is getting louder every day.
  - h) Don't disturb Mummy now, she's having a break.
  - i) I love milk and I drink it all the time.

#### I start worrying about Monday on Friday evening. A I find it easy to switch off from work and relax at the B weekend A I'm always fidgeting. 2 B I find it easy to keep still. 3 A When I visit people's homes, I sit on the edge of the seat for the first hour B When I visit people's homes, I sit back and relax straightaway. 4 I'm always fiddling with something. A B I don't need to have something in my hands. 5 A I bite my nails. B I never, or almost never, bite my nails. 6 A I worry all the time. B If I have a problem, I deal with it. If I can't do anything, I don't worry about it. 7 A When I make an appointment, I start worrying that I'm going to forget it. B When I make an appointment. I write it down. 8 A I hate waiting in queues, I'm too impatient. If I can I push in. в I accept waiting in queues because it's fair. A I lose my temper two or three times a week. 9 B I hardly ever lose my temper. 10 A I usually arrive at appointments too early or too late. B I usually arrive at appointments on time. Why are you sitting on the edge of your chair?



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- Work with a partner. Look at the extracts from 1 and match each one to one of the following uses:
  - shows that a situation is true all the time
    - shows that an activity is in progress and is temporary
- shows that something which started or happened in the past is important <u>now</u>
- **3** Look at the four paragraphs below. Put the verbs in brackets in an appropriate present tense. Who or what are the paragraphs about?

A	I (1) (wake up) three or four times every night. I (2) (give up) smoking and I (3) (not/go) to the pub for two weeks. I (4) (not/want) to go to work and I (5) (hurry) home every evening. I'm the happiest man in the world.	0	I (1) (finish) university but I (2) (not/ know) what I really (3) (want) to do so I (4) (work) here until I decide. I (5) (wear) a uniform and a very silly hat. I sometimes (6) (serve) 100 people in one day and at the end of the day I (7) (smell) of chips. I (8) (work) here for less than a week and I'm already absolutely exhausted.
B	I (1) (sleep) a lot during the day and often (2) (go out) all night. I (3) (visit) all the neighbours' gardens but I (4) (walk) softly so nobody (5) (hear) me. I (6) (wash) at least twice a day and I (7) (eat) as often as I can. I (8) (use up) several of my nine lives already.		I'm 28 and so I (1) (get) old for this job but I (2) (make) a lot of money and I (3) (invest) it wisely. I (4) (travel) to some very exotic locations since I started 12 years ago and I (5) (work) in at least ten capital cities including Paris, Rome, London and Tokyo. I (6) (eat) very healthily and I (7) (drink) a lot of water. In fact, I (8) (be) on a diet for 12 years.

4 On a piece of paper write three true sentences about yourself. Use a different present tense for each one. Fold the piece of paper and give it to your teacher. Then take another student's piece of paper and guess who it belongs to.

# Language reference: present tense structures

#### The present simple

You use the present simple mainly to talk about things which are true all the time.

1 Habits and routines

I bite my nails and I never sit back and relax on a seat.

I play football with my friends every Sunday.

2 Facts and situations we see as more or less permanent

I love milk. The sun is 96 million miles from the earth.

#### The present continuous

You use the present continuous to talk about present situations which you see as temporary.

1 Activities in progress

Don't disturb Mummy, she's having a break. I'm learning two foreign languages at the moment. 2 Changing situations

My voice is getting louder every day. I'm starting to understand English much better now.

#### The present perfect

You can use the present perfect to talk about a present situation which is connected with the past.

 A present situation which started in the past I haven't worn white since my first child was born.

I've worked here for less than a week.

2 A past event which caused a present situation

I can't finish the work. My computer has crashed. Where's my mobile phone? Oh, no, I've left it in the taxi.



Adjectives with -ed & -ing

# Books, films & music

- 1 Find out how many people in the class:
  - are reading a novel at the moment.
  - enjoy reading biographies and autobiographies.
  - still listen to the first records, tapes or CDs they bought.
  - have a favourite place to read.
  - prefer watching a film to reading a book.
  - have been to a concert recently.
  - have seen a film they didn't enjoy recently.
- 2 In the people talking about in each one: a book, a film or a piece of music?
- **3** Listen again. Which words and expressions helped you? Note them down under three headings: books, films, and music.
- 4 Find words connected with books, films and music and add them to the three lists.

reggaestorylinepaperbackhithiphopbluesnovelopera shortstorypremiereplotdancemusicalsciencefictionhorror classicalsubtitlesstereosystembandorchestrasoundtrackdirector

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asked

several

people

the

question,

'How

do you

choose

a book

to

read?'.

Here

are their

replies:

romantic comedy gangster action thriller science fiction horror western love story war comedy

**6** Work in groups. Think of some more films of each of the types above. Which types of films do people in your group like best?

# A good read

- Choose the correct form of the adjectives in bold in the article on the right.
- **2** Look at the replies in 1 and answer these questions:
  - a) Which adjective ending do you use to say how people feel?
  - b) Which adjective ending do you use to describe the people or thing that causes the feeling?
- **3** How do you choose a book?

I 'I judge the book by its cover. If the cover looks interesting/interested, I buy the book. Sometimes I'm lucky and the book is good, and sometimes I'm disappointing/disappointed.'

- 2 'I always read book reviews in newspapers and magazines and when I read about a book that sounds interesting/interested, I write it down in my diary.'
- 3 'I don't take any risks. I always read books by authors I know. I get really exciting/excited when one of my favourite authors brings out a new book and I buy it immediately. This way I'm never disappointing/disappointed.'
- 4 'I read the first page and if it's boring/bored, I don't buy the book. If I want to turn over the page and carry on reading, I buy the book.'
- 5 'lt's easy. I never read fiction but I'm fascinating/fascinated by biographies of famous people. I find strong women in history particularly inspiring/ inspired.'
- I tend to choose books written by women. They have a better feeling for characters and the relationships between them, and that's what I find interesting/interested in a book. Having said that, I've just finished a book by a man and it was brilliant!'



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# How are you feeling?

 Tell your partner how you're feeling today. Explain why. Choose words from the box if appropriate.

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tired happy exhausted excited worried cheerful relaxed nervous disappointed confused bored
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- 2 Choose three other adjectives and say what makes you feel like this.
- **3** Choose three of the topics below and tell other students what you think about them. Use some of the words from 1.

For example: *I think the political situation in my country is very confusing. I'm very worried about the political situation in my country.* 

- the political situation in your country
- the nightlife in your town
- winter
- karaoke
- English grammar
- motor-racing
- giving a speech
- jogging
- surfing the Internet
- finding out about other cultures
- travelling by air

## Anecdote

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Think about a film you have seen or a book you have read recently. You are going to tell a partner about it. Choose from one of the lists below the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and what language you will use.

- Where did you see the film? (at the cinema? at home? ...)
- When did you see it?
- Why did you choose this film?
- What did you know about it beforehand?
- Who did you see it with?
- Do you know who directed the film?
- Who were the actors?
- What type of film was it?
- What was the main story?
- Did it have a happy ending?
- Did you enjoy the film more or less than you expected?
- Would you recommend this film?

- What was the last book you read?
- □ When did you read it?
- Why did you choose this book?
- Who wrote it?
- What did you know about it beforehand?
- Have you read any other books by the same author?
- Who were the main characters?
- What type of book was it?
- What was the main story?
- Did it have a happy ending?
- Did you enjoy the book more or less than you expected?
- □ Would you recommend this book?
- **5** Tell your partner about the film or the book.

## Net reviews

- 1 Have you ever looked for information about a film on the Internet?
- 2 What do you think a film called *The Horse Whisperer* may be about? Look at this web-page and match the headings to the information.
  - a) cast
  - b) keywords
  - c) memorable quotes
  - d) plot summary
  - e) review
  - f) type of film
  - g) user rating
  - h) title and main details



**3** Read these comments made by Internet users about *The Horse Whisperer*. What rating out of ten do you think each person gave the film?

real film	'I must say I enjoyed this movie, even after the jokes about it being a three-hou from the Montana Tourist Board.' Jim, New York.	ur advert	t 7 10
The Horse Whisperer	'It is fascinating to see how a film of almost three hours without violence, actic still be so very good. Redford has really succeeded in making a beautiful film, f sensitivity and emotions.' Anna, Geneva.		can 10
	'Robert Redford is a competent director, no doubt about it. The film is well mainteresting. I found myself waiting for some sort of climax that never happened chemistry between the characters and it's simply too long.' Angel, Salamanca.		
	'Having read the novel last year on holiday, I was looking forward to seeing th honest, I doubted if Redford could play Tom Booker convincingly as the charac younger than he is. Having seen the film I now realise that it really didn't matt performances are good and the new ending is better than the book.' Agnes, France.	ter is mu er – all	ıch
	'A few questions came to mind during the film: who in their right mind would thousands of miles across the American continent with an injured horse, when simple and affordable thing would be to shoot it and simply buy a new one? If	the mos	

# A film review

Writing

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It's based on a book by ... (Robert de Niro) plays the part of (Rocky Marciano)...

The film takes place in/ was filmed in ...

What I liked/didn't like

about it was ...

It's directed by ... It's a romantic comedy/an action movie/a thriller ...



Write a review of a film you have seen. Include the following information:

- the title of the film
- the type of film
- the name of the director (if you can remember)
- any other information such as whether it is based on a book, where it was filmed, etc
- the main actors and which characters they play
- a summary of the plot (in the present tense)
- · what you particularly liked or didn't like about the film

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# Dating

Choose three or more of these 'firsts'. What do you remember about them? Tell a partner.

- first home
- first crush
- first friend
- first date
- first hero
- first English lesson
- first dance
- first kiss
- first holidayfirst broken heart
  - first regret
    - first trip abroad

# **Twenty-first century dating**

- 1 Read these extracts from an article on how two couples began their relationship. What do you think happened before they first met or spoke to each other?
  - Couple 1 'Then Tom and I had our first "date" we spoke for 11 hours and that phone call changed the course of our relationship. Now we've decided to meet.'
  - Couple 2 'It was love at first sight for Joel Emerson and Lisa Bunyan, which was lucky because they met for the first time on their wedding day!'
- 2 Work with a partner. Find out how the two couples met.
  - Student A look at page 139 and read about couple 1.
  - Student B look at page 140 and read about couple 2.

When you've finished reading, close your books and tell each other about the two 'dates'.



- Lexis 1 Complete the sentences. Refer back to *Twenty-first century dating*, pages 139 and 140, if you need to.
  - a) I don't believe in \_\_\_\_\_ at first \_\_
  - b) Somewhere in the world there's a Mr or Miss \_\_\_\_\_\_ for everybody.
  - c) People don't usually marry the man or woman of their \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - d) \_\_\_\_\_ women enjoy their independence whereas \_\_\_\_\_ men tend to be keen to get married.
  - e) A man should \_\_\_\_\_\_ to a woman. It isn't natural for a woman to ask a man to marry her.
  - A marriage is more likely to succeed if both partners have had \_\_\_\_\_ before getting married.
  - g) If the bride and \_\_\_\_\_ are in love then it doesn't really matter what the parents think.
  - h) It's better to save the money than spend it on an expensive \_\_\_\_\_\_ in some exotic location.



- **2** Do you agree with the statements above? Discuss with your partner.
- Listening
- **2** Listen again. Which of the following sentences belong to Tom and Kathy's story and which belong to Lisa and Joel's?
  - a) They arranged to meet at the airport.
  - b) She felt very nervous.
  - c) They've been married for a year now.
  - d) He looked just like his photo.
  - e) They've just celebrated their first wedding anniversary.
  - f) She went straight back home.
  - g) His mother hasn't spoken to him since the wedding.
  - h) They've moved away from their home town.
  - i) She hated his shoes.
  - j) They've been in their new home for about six months.

# Close up

Present perfect & past simple

- 1 Look at these two sentences and answer the questions.
  - 1 Kathy and Tom had an e-mail relationship for six months.
  - 2 Joel and Lisa have been together for one year.
  - a) Do Kathy and Tom still communicate by e-mail?
  - b) Are Joel and Lisa still together?
  - c) Which tenses are the two sentences in?

2 Here is some more information about Tom, Kathy, Joel and Lisa. Look at the tenses of the verbs. Tick (✓) the situations which are still going on now.

- a) Kathy has been single since she returned from Denver.
- b) Tom went travelling in Europe for a few months.
- c) Joel and Lisa haven't been back to their home town for six months.
- d) Joel has been a marketing consultant since he left college.
- e) Kathy has been looking for the man of her dreams for a long time.
- f) Tom has had his own business manufacturing shoes since 1997.
- g) Kathy hasn't used the Internet since she met Tom.
- h) Lisa played the piano for ten years.

since & for

- 1 Complete the table on the right.
- 2 Write five sentences about yourself using the time expressions from the table: four that are true and one lie. Then read your sentences to your partner and see if they know which sentence is a lie.

since		for
yesterday	<b>→</b>	one day
1995	$\rightarrow$	
	←	five minutes
my last birthday	$\rightarrow$	
	←	ten years
I was born	->	
	←	two weeks
Christmas	$\rightarrow$	
	←	an hour

# Language reference: the past simple & the present perfect

#### The past simple

The past simple is used to fix events and situations in the past. You can use it to say when the event or situation happened.

I saw John in the supermarket.

He lived in Italy when he was a child.

Christina went to work on the bus until she passed her driving test.

# The present perfect

The present perfect has several uses, but it always shows a connection between the past and now. In this unit, you use it to talk about situations which started in the past and which continue now. We've known each other for 20 years.

I've had this watch since my 18th birthday.

#### since & for

Since is used to identify the point at which a period of time began. You normally use it with perfect tenses. They've been married since 1999. I haven't seen him since April. She's lived in Chester since she was 18.

For is used with periods of time. They've been married for five years. He was in the army for 18 months. I'll be at work for another hour if you want to call me.



'Remember our first meal together, when we sat on soap-boxes and ate off a tea-chest?'

# How we met

- 1 Read Karen's account of how she met David and answer the questions.
  - a) When did they meet?

- b) When did fate bring them together again? d) How long have they been together?
- c) Where did she see him again?

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#### KAREN, 18, AND DAVID, 21

I met him on a train last summer. He was gorgeous. We chatted and when I got off, he helped me with my luggage. Unfortunately, I was too shy to ask him for his phone number. But fate brought us together again. A few months ago, I saw him again at a party and he recognised me at once. The attraction was magnetic and now we've been together for three months, two weeks and three days.

David and Karen



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ul and Emma



Read Emma's account of how she met Paul. Complete the account with appropriate time

#### EMMA, 32, AND PAUL, 35

\_\_\_\_, I went to the police station to report a burglary. I was really upset and the policeman  $(1)_{-}$ who interviewed me was very kind and understanding. He calmed me down, gave me a cup of coffee and then drove me home. (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_, he rang me up and asked me out and now we have been together (3) \_



Rajvir and Sukwinder

#### 3 Read about Sukwinder and Rajvir. Put the verbs in brackets in the correct form.



\_\_\_\_ (see) Rajvir near our house in Simla, India when I was 16.1 (2) \_\_ I first (I) (like) him but we didn't really talk. I told my father that I liked him and he (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to visit his family. Then we (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (get) engaged. We couldn't get to know one another before we were married, so the first time I was alone with my husband was after the marriage. We (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) married for 43 years now and we (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (not/have) an argument yet,

4 Read about Elena and Basil and complete the account with appropriate verbs. What do you think happened to Basil's letters?

#### ELENA, 86, AND BASIL, 87

1(1)	Basil when I was 23 and it (2)	love at first sight."	We (3) out
together for	over a year. We (4) to get	t married, but my mother	was against it because Basil
is a Christia <b>r</b>	n Scientist so I (5) seeing h	nim. I (not) (6)	from Basil for a long time,
although he	says he (7) lots of letters.	I (8) other boy	friends, but I never got
married. I (n	not) (9) anyone else. It was	60 years later, when all m	ny other boyfriends had
died, that I (	10) to wonder if Basil was	still alive. So I (11)	to Evergreen, a
magazine for	r retired people. Four days after my l	etter was published, I (12)	a letter from
	me to see me and after two days he		
Basil was 85	and I was 84 and we (15)	happily married for two	years. I (not)
(16)	at another man since the day Bas	il came back into my life.	

- Which of these stories do you think is the most romantic? 5
- 6 Think about couples you know: friends or family. What do you know about how they met? Tell your partner.



Elena and Basil



# Dream date



- **1 I** 10 Listen to the 'chat-up lines' below. All the schwas have been marked.
  - a) What's a nice girl like you doing in a place like this?
  - b) You know, I'm not just an interesting persan, I have a body too.
  - c) I'm in advatising. Would you like to be in our next photo shoot?
  - d) Do you believe in love at first sight or do I have ta walk past you again?
  - e) A: Do ya have a boyfriend?B: Yes.

A: Want anotha one?

- f) Your fatha must be a thief, because he's stolan that stars from that sky and put that in your eyes.
- g) I've just moved next door and I was wondering if you could recammend a good restarant nearby. Would you like to join me?



- **2** Work with a partner. Which chat-up lines do you like best? Which ones do you like least? Choose four chat-up lines and practise them.
- 3 Do you know any chat-up lines in your own language? Translate them into English and mark the schwas.
- **Lexis 1** What qualities do you look for in your ideal partner? Choose the six most important qualities from the list below.

good-looking modest reliable generous broad-minded witty cheerful sincere rich intelligent hardworking outgoing easygoing faithful kind

Find someone else in the class who has chosen the same qualities.

**2** Read the descriptions of different types of people below.

The sort of person who:

- a) only thinks of their own needs and never thinks about other people.
- b) thinks they know everything.
- c) refuses to consider new ideas or other people's opinions.
- d) is not up-to-date with modern ideas and values.
- e) says they believe one thing and then behave in a way that shows they are not sincere.
- f) forgets things, often because they are thinking about something else.



g) is easily offended.

Match words from the two lists to form compound adjectives which fit the descriptions.

**3** Many people believe that the identity of their ideal partner is written in the stars. You are going to read an article about an ancient Chinese form of astrology which divides people into nine personality types.

Read the article once and decide which description best describes you.

# ASTROLOG

According to the ancient Chinese, everything goes round in nine-year cycles.

There are nine Ki personality numbers and each one is associated with an element: water, soil, fire, tree or metal.



# 1 (water)

You appear to be friendly and outgoing but you also have a very

private side to your personality. You're a deep thinker and you enjoy your own company. Your cool manner is attractive, but it can frighten people off and leave you feeling a bit isolated.

You don't enter into relationships lightly and when you do you take them very seriously. You're not the romantic type, but you can be very passionate.

Famous ones: Johnny Depp, Quentin Tarantino Compatible signs: 3, 4, 6, 7



# 2 (soil)

You love helping people and it's important to you that others are happy.

You would give your neighbour the shirt off your back if they needed it. You hate arguments and you tend to avoid confrontation. You're best in groups rather than alone.

You're capable of great unconditional love, but you tend to choose partners who will take advantage of your generous nature.

Famous twos: Tom Cruise, Marilyn Monroe

Compatible signs: 6, 7, 9



# 3 (tree)

You're loud, talkative, active and fun. However, you're easily bored and tend to flit from one thing to the

next. Some people think you're too honest and you frequently offend people.

Your dynamic nature makes you attractive to the opposite sex. You want exciting relationships, but you also need your independence. Famous threes: Robert De Niro, Eddie Murphy

Compatible signs: 1,9



# You're a good listener and you have a good

understanding of other people's problems. However, you're not very good at making decisions about your own life and you tend to change your mind easily. You appear to be easygoing, but you can be stubborn and impulsive at times. On the one hand you're an idealist who is looking for true love, and on the other, you're often attracted to partners for exterior qualities like power or status. Famous fours: Yoko Ono, Marlon

Brando

Compatible signs: 1, 9

# 5 (soil)

You have a strong personality and people often turn to you for

advice. You like to be the centre of attention and it is important for you to succeed in everything you do. But you don't always think before you act and you don't always learn from your mistakes.

In relationships you're caring and committed. However, because you like to experiment, you can be unfaithful.

Famous fives: Elizabeth Taylor, Bob Dylan

Compatible signs: 6,7,9



You're a born leader who loves to be in

control. You work hard to achieve your ambitions and you usually succeed. You are active and sociable, but you hate to be criticised. You're a good speaker and very charismatic

You're faithful in relationships, but you like to be the boss. You tend to be attracted to softer partners Famous sixes: Madonna, Michael Jackson

Compatible signs: 1, 2, 5, 8



You always seem to be happy. You're witty and



good with words, but a good listener too. People enjoy your company and you make people feel at ease. Sometimes you say what

people want to hear, even if it is not what you really think. You love the excitement of romance. However, you tend to get bored

quickly and your relationships do not always last very long. Famous sevens: Michelle Pfeiffer,

Melanie Griffith, Tina Turner Compatible signs: 1, 2, 5, 8



#### 8 (soil)

You are rather oldfashioned and do not like change. You tend to

be very private and difficult to get close to. You have a strong sense of right and wrong and when you decide to do something, nothing can stop you.

Once you find someone, you tend to put all your energy into making the relationship work. You have a strong sense of family and commitment. Famous eights: Steven Spielberg, Jackie Onassis

Compatible signs: 6, 7, 9



9 (fire) People are attracted to your magnetic personality. You appear

strong and in control, but underneath you're easily hurt. You can be oversensitive at times. You need time on your own and you can't stand routine.

You're attractive to the opposite sex and when you're in love you're passionate, romantic and giving. Famous nines: Jack Nicholson, Eva Peron

Compatible signs: 2, 3, 4, 5, 8

Now turn to page 141 and follow the instructions to calculate your Ki astrology sign. Did you guess correctly?

Criticisms & generalisations

- 1 How are the following ideas expressed in the article?
  - a) You often scare people. (Personality 1)
  - b) You usually choose partners who treat you badly. (Personality 2)
  - You often lose interest in things and give up. (Personality 3) c)
  - d) Sometimes you won't listen to reason. (Personality 4)
  - You sometimes have affairs behind your partners back. (Personality 5) e)
  - You usually choose partners who do what you tell them to do. (Personality 6) f)
  - You usually abandon your partners when you lose interest in them. (Personality 7) g)
  - You don't usually share your feelings. (Personality 8) h)
  - You are sometimes too sensitive. (Personality 9) i)

2 Rewrite the following sentences using *tend(s)* to be or *can be*. Do you agree with the statements?

- a) Women are more sensitive than men.
- b) People of the older generation are narrow-minded.
- Very good-looking people are big-headed. c)
- d) Women are more faithful in relationships than men.
- e) People from hot countries are more outgoing than people from cooler climates.

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# I don't fancy yours much

- 1 Image and Rose are sisters. Meg met Rose's new boyfriend, Jake, for the first time yesterday. Listen to the conversation. What did Meg think of Rose's new boyfriend?
- 2 Listen again and read the conversation at the same time. <u>Underline</u> anything which is different from the recording.





Meg and Rose

**3** What expressions do the two sisters use to avoid saying things directly? Refer to tapescript 11 if necessary.

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Make the following critical comments less direct.

For example:

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He's short-tempered. He isn't particularly patient.

- a) She's insensitive.
- b) He's big-headed.
- c) They're stupid.
- d) She's lazy.
- e) She's mean.
- f) They're narrow-minded.

# Language reference: criticisms & generalisations

When you need to say something critical there are certain expressions you can use which make you sound more diplomatic. You can use the same expressions to make generalisations.

## can be ... (at times)

You appear to be easygoing, but you can be stubborn and impulsive at times.

Because you like to experiment, you can be unfaithful. You can be over-sensitive at times.

## a little, rather & a bit

You can use a *little*, *rather* or, more informally, a bit to make the adjective less absolute. You can be a **bit** stubborn at times.

#### tend(s) to ...

You hate arguments and you tend to avoid confrontation.

You **tend to** be attracted to softer partners. You're not very good at making decisions about your own life and you **tend to** change your mind too easily.

#### not particularly/exactly ...

- He was unfriendly. → He wasn't exactly friendly.
- He's poor. → He's not particularly well-off.
- She's lazy. → She's not particularly hard-working. You can sometimes use not exactly to express sarcasm. You're not exactly Miss Einstein yourself.

# A boyfriend's worst nightmare

1 Work in groups. What could a boyfriend's worst nightmare be? Note down as many possible circumstances as you can think of. Now read the article.

Μ penpal called Eddie since she was in her early teens. That's OK. I also exchanged letters with Monique 5 from France and Shauna from

- Australia until I went to university. 35 ideal husband for her daughter. But then I got involved in the excitement of university life and lost touch with them.
- But my girlfriend is more loyal to 10 hers. Or maybe her little penpal has a 40 Eddie's got a job in London for three special place in her heart.

As they got older, their lives changed but they still continued

- 15 writing to one another. She's a successful journalist now and he's got 45 My girlfriend asked me, 'Why are you a very good job at the University of Vancouver. He is one metre 85, tall, dark and handsome. I am not one
- 20 metre 85. Or dark. And I'm not particularly handsome. I know what 50 or not, this didn't make me feel any he looks like because my girlfriend talks about him ... a lot.

I also know that he's 27, he's an 25 academic and he plays ice hockey. So he's both sporty and extremely 55 was, 'Tall, yes. Dark, yes. Handsome, intelligent. And tall, dark and handsome as I said before.

Several years ago, before I got

y girlfriend has had a Canadian 30 together with my girlfriend, he was passing through London and stopped for a visit. When my girlfriend's mother met him, she liked him so much that she decided he was the

> So, bearing all this in mind, when my girlfriend ran towards me the other week with a letter from him in her hand and said, 'Guess what ... years,' I wasn't exactly over the moon.

> As the day of his arrival got nearer, I got more and more jealous. getting so stressed out about him? Yes, he's good-looking, interesting, intelligent and sporty. But it's you I love and it's you I'm with.' Believe it better.

> Finally, the day arrived when I was to meet the famous penpal. My first thought when I saw him yes. Intelligent, definitely. Charming, probably. It can't get any worse than this!'



(Adapted from The Independent on Sunday, 12 October 1997)

- 2 What do you think happened next? Write the last paragraph of the story.
- **3** Turn to page 143 and read the end of the story.
- 4 How does the ending compare with your version? When was the last time you had a weight lifted from your mind?
- Lexis
- Refer to the text and answer these two questions: 1
  - a) Why did the writer stop writing to his penfriends? What happened? b) What happened to his feelings as the day of Eddie's arrival got nearer?
  - **2** Here are some more examples of this use of *get*. Invent ways to complete the sentences and then compare with another student.

For example:

I got angry because he kept me waiting for half an hour.

- a) I got depressed because ...
- d) I got upset because ...
- b) I got bored because ...
- e) I got involved in crime because ...
- c) I got confused because ...
- 3 Read the ends of the expressions the parts you invented to other students. See if they can guess which sentences they belong to.

# Adrenalin

- 1 Which of the following would make you feel:
  - angry?
     excited?
     scared?
     nothing?

talking to someone you are really attracted to / taking an exam / climbing to a high point and then looking down / taking off in an aeroplane / riding on the back of a motorbike at high speed / being stuck in a traffic jam / giving a speech in front of an audience / going on a roller-coaster at the fair / finding out that you have been robbed / galloping on a horse / watching your national football team / being stopped by the police

**2** Tell your partner about any of the situations you have experienced personally. Which experience has given you the biggest 'adrenalin rush'?

# My name is Mike & I'm a skydiver

- 1 Have you ever done a parachute jump? Would you consider doing a jump?
  - Yes, for charity. Yes, for fun. Yes, for money. No way!

(Collins Cobuild English Dictionary)

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- 2 Read about Mike and answer these questions:
  - a) Why did he start skydiving?
  - b) How did he feel on his first jump?
  - c) What caused his accident and why has he continued skydiving?

# www.deadmike.com

I've just done my first jump since the accident that nearly killed me just over a year ago. As I was lying in hospital, thinking that I would never skydive again, I wasn't feeling glad to be alive. Instead, I was wondering how I could possibly live without it.

It all started one evening after another typical nine to five day. I was sitting at home thinking, 'There has to be more to life than this,' when an ad came on the television: 'Try skydiving,' it said. The next day, I called my local skydiving centre and booked my first jump.

I spent a day training and then I was ready for my first jump. Or almost. First, I had to sign a document to say that I understood that I was taking part in an activity that could end in serious injury. At that moment I realised that I was about to do something voluntarily that would put my life at risk and as I signed, I wondered if I was completely mad.

I will never forget my first jump. Five of us walked to the runway and got into a plane barely big enough to hold three people. I was beginning to feel nervous, but the others were chatting and joking and I started to feel more relaxed. It was a beautiful, cloudless day and the sun was just going down. It took us about 20 minutes to get to 11,000 feet and then the trainer opened the plane door – the view took my breath away. Suddenly, it was time to jump and as I pushed myself away from the plane, I don't know what I was thinking, my mind went blank.

Words cannot describe the rush of adrenalin I experienced while I was free-falling.

At 5,500 feet I pulled the cord and the parachute opened immediately. Suddenly, everything was silent and peaceful. Twice I shouted, 'This is absolutely incredible,' though I knew there was nobody to hear me. It was the most amazing four minutes of my life.

From the first jump, I was hooked. I started spending every free moment I had skydiving. At work, I sat in front of my computer and imagined ways of making more money so that I could jump more often. It became my reason for living and nothing else mattered. I was addicted to skydiving.

Things were going really well. I was spending every free moment I had skydiving.

Then disaster struck on my 1,040th jump. Another skydiver collided with my parachute at 80 feet. I fell and hit the ground at about 30 mph, face down. I broke both legs, my right foot, left elbow, right arm, my nose and my jaw. I lost 10 pints of blood, 19 teeth and 25 pounds of fat. I was lucky to survive. People who have never experienced skydiving will find it hard to understand that my only motivation to get better was so that I could do it again. All I can say is that for me, skydiving is life and life is skydiving.

3 The sentences below summarise Mike's story. Correct the details that are wrong.

- a) Mike was reading a newspaper one evening when he saw an ad for skydiving.
- b) He phoned the skydiving centre immediately and booked a jump.
- c) After a day's training, he was sure he was doing the right thing.
- d) His first jump was unforgettable. It was a beautiful morning and he was feeling relaxed.
- e) After an hour's flight, he jumped out of the plane and his parachute opened immediately.
- f) After his first jump, he didn't think he would do it again.
- g) During his free time, he thought about skydiving a lot.
- h) On his 1,040th jump he had an accident when his parachute didn't open.
- i) He nearly died and thought that his skydiving days were over.
- j) The only reason he wanted to get better was so that he could skydive again.

- Lexis 1 Complete as many of these questions as you can from memory. Look back at the text on page 33 to check.
  - a) What couldn't you l\_\_\_\_\_ without?
  - b) Why do you think people t\_\_\_\_\_ in dangerous sports?
  - c) Have you ever p\_\_\_\_\_ your life at r\_\_\_\_\_ voluntarily?
  - d) When was the last time a view t\_\_\_\_\_your br\_\_\_\_\_a\_\_\_?
  - e) Do you know anybody who is a \_\_\_\_\_ to a sport like Mike?
  - 2 Work with a partner. Ask each other the questions.

1 Find pairs of adjectives in the box that have similar meanings.

For example: angry furious

> angry exhausted incredible awful hilarious bad brilliant excited furious tired thrilled good funny strange

**2** Put the adjectives in 1 under these two headings: very or absolutely.

For example: very absolutely angry furious

# Language reference: gradable & absolute adjectives

#### Gradable adjectives

Grading

adjectives

Adjectives like good, small or pleasant can go with adverbs like very, fairly and rather. For example: very good; fairly small; rather pleasant. You cannot use adverbs like absolutely and totally with these adjectives.

#### Absolute adjectives

Strong adjectives like incredible can go with adverbs like absolutely and totally. For example: absolutely perfect; totally unique. When Mike did his first jump, he shouted, 'This is absolutely incredible.'

**Intonation** 1 12 Complete the following dialogues, then listen and check.

			A:
	have.		B:
	good?		A:
incredible!		Good?	B:
surfing?			C:
	have.	/	D:
	scared?		C:

- 2 Listen again and notice the pronunciation of the words in **bold**.
- **3** Practise the dialogues with a partner.
- 4 Work with a partner. Make up and practise a similar dialogue using gradable and absolute adjectives.

# A sporting life

Lexis 1 Put the sports into groups according to what you think they have in common. Think of different groupings.

For example: swimming, surfing, sailing and scuba diving are all water sports.

2 What verbs would you use with each sports: *do, play* or *go*?

For example: go swimming play tennis do weightlifting

#### TINTUNE.

agrobics athletics badminten baseball basketball bungee jumping dimbing football cycling judo horse-riding ice hockey rugby sailing scuba-diving karate snow-boarding skating skydiving table-tennis. suffing swimming volleyball weightlifting tennis windsurfing

- **3** Can you add any sports to the list in 1?
- 4 In small groups discuss the following questions:
  - a) Which of these sports do you do or watch?
  - b) Which of these sports are shown on television a lot?
  - c) Do you think any of these sports are unsuitable for women? Why?
- 5 13 Jane Couch made UK sporting history when she won the first official female boxing match in November 1998.

Listen to the interview. Which of the questions on the right does the interviewer ask? Make notes about Jane's answers to the questions.



.........

How did you get interested in boxing? Were you interested in sport at school? How long did it take you to get fit? Do you know how many professional female boxers there are? What did your friends and family think Is it easy for a woman to be a professional boxer? What do your critics say? What do you think are the prime skills to have as a boxer? How do you relax? How do you prepare for a match? Have you ever been seriously hurt in Do you think you've changed since your success? How did you feel before the match When's your next big fight? Where will it be?

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# Close up

#### Past experience



- The grammar in the following sentences is correct, but the sentences don't make sense.
   The endings have been mixed up. Rearrange the sentences so that they make sense.
  - a) Have you ever ridden a snake?
  - b) Have you ever been asked to the top of a mountain?
  - c) Have you ever met a desert?
  - d) Have you ever driven a television programme?
  - e) Have you ever been to make a speech?
  - f) Have you ever crossed a famous person?
  - g) Have you ever appeared on a Ferrari?
  - h) Have you ever caught a horse on the beach?

#### Work with a partner. How do you think your partner would answer each question?

- a) Yes, I have.
- b) No, never ... but I'd like to.
- c) No, never ... and I wouldn't like to.
- **3** Discuss your answers. How well do you know each other? Ask more *Have you ever* ...? questions.
- 4 14 Listen to five people being interviewed about their past experiences and complete the table below.

Have you ever		Y/N	What were you doing?	What happened?
a) b)	had a sports injury? been in a dangerous			
c)	situation? broken a bone?			
d) e)	been really frightened? thought you were			
	going to die?			

- **5** Work with a partner. Compare your notes then ask each other the questions from 4. Find out as much as you can.
- **6** Look at the questions in **bold** in 4. Three tenses are used: the past simple, the past continuous and the present perfect. Match the names of the tenses to the questions.
- 7 Look at tapescript 14. Find other examples of the three tenses.
  - a) Which tense is the most useful for introducing a new topic of conversation?
  - b) Which would you probably use if you wanted to say exactly when something happened?
  - c) You want to tell a story. Which of these two beginnings do you prefer?
    - It was late summer. People were sitting in street cafés, enjoying the sunshine and watching the world go by.
    - 2 It was late summer. People sat in street cafés, enjoyed the sunshine and watched the world go by.

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8 The diagram below shows three timelines: one for each of the three tenses you're studying. Which timeline goes with which tense and why? Discuss with a partner.



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Complete these dialogues with the words in the brackets. Use the past simple, past continuous or present perfect. Sometimes more than one form is possible.



10 On a sheet of paper write six true sentences about yourself.

- a) I haven't ... since ...
- b) I ... for years
- c) I didn't ... yesterday
- d) I was ... + ing when ...
- e) l've ... several times
- f) I wasn't ... + ing when ...
- **11** Fold the paper and give it to your teacher. Then take another paper and guess which student it belongs to.



'Good news – first indications from the results of your tests suggest that you haven't gone permanently blind.'

# Language reference: talking about past experiences

# The present perfect & the past simple

English often makes a distinction between *finished time* and *time-up-to-now*. For example:

\_\_\_\_\_



The present perfect is used to locate an action in time-up-tonow. The past simple is used to fix an action in finished time.

# **Time expressions**

Choosing between the present perfect and the past simple is often a question of the *time expression* you need to use.

- 1 Some time expressions describe time-up-to-now: *this year*; since I was six; this week; recently; ever; yet; for the last few days. With these time expressions you use the present perfect.
- 2 Some time expressions describe fixed points in the past (finished time): in 1984; when I was six; yesterday; before I left school; last week; at 6.00; two minutes ago; last term; at Christmas. With these time expressions you use the past simple.

# The present perfect as a conversation opener

You can use *Have* + ever ...? to establish the topic of a conversation or introduce a story.

Have you ever been to Tuscany?

Have I ever told you about the time I went skiing with my brother?

You will find more information about the present perfect in units 2, 3 and 6.

# The past continuous & the past simple

The past continuous is almost always used in contrast with the past simple. You can use it to describe something which was in progress when the main events in the story happened. Here Mike talks about the first time he thought of trying skydiving. *I was sitting at home when an ad came on the television.* 



The past continuous and the past simple are also contrasted in more complex ways. Notice the way they are used together in this passage from the same text.

I was beginning to feel nervous, but the others were chatting and joking and I started to feel more relaxed. It was a beautiful, cloudless day and the sun was just going down. It took us about 20 minutes to get to 11,000 feet and then the trainer opened the plane door – the view took my breath away. Suddenly, it was time to jump and as I pushed myself away from the plane, I don't know what I was thinking, my mind went blank.

#### Anecdote

- 1 Think back to a moment when you felt a rush of adrenalin. You are going to tell your partner about it. Choose from the list below the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and what language you will need.
  - Where were you? At home? In the car? At a sports event? In town?
  - □ Did it happen recently? How old were you?
  - □ Who were you with?
  - What were you doing?
  - □ What happened?
  - How did you feel?
  - What were the consequences?
  - Would you like to have the same experience again?
  - **2** Tell your partner the story. Give as much detail as possible.

#### LANGUAGE TOOLBOX

Stories are often told in five stages.

1 Introduction

Have I ever told you about the time I was attacked by a lion?

2 Background

I was on holiday with Jan ... We were travelling around Africa on my Harley ...

#### 3 Problem

Suddenly I heard a sound in the jungle ... The next moment I saw ... So there we were, up the tree ... We were beginning to feel rather nervous ...

#### 4 Resolution

Then I had an idea ... In the end I managed to get the bike started ... I drove off at a hundred miles an hour ... I didn't stop till I got to Nairobi ...

#### 5 Comment

I often wonder what happened to Jan ...

# The Adrenalin Game: truth or dare?



#### Work in teams of three or four.

#### **BEFORE THE GAME**

Each team prepares ten 'TRUTH' questions and ten 'DARES'. Here are some suggestions: TRUTH Have you ever ...? Did you ...? When did you last ...? How many times have you ...? When did you first ...? When did you first ...? What were you doing when ...? DARE

Sing a song in English. Imitate a famous person. Say the alphabet backwards. Make three animal sounds. Demonstrate disco dancing. Show us everything in your pockets.

#### **HOW TO PLAY**

- 1 Each team throws the dice. The team with the highest score starts.
- 2 Teams take turns to throw the dice and move their counters round the board according to the number they throw.
- 3 When a team lands on a TRUTH or a DARE square, they

nominate a team member, the 'viclim', to answer a question, truthfully, or do a dare from the other team.

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- 4 Teams must nominate a new victim each time until all team members have had a turn.
- 5 Teams cannot use the same TRUTH or DARE twice, unless they have used all their TRUTHS and DARES.
- 6 After hearing the TRUTH or the DARE, the victim can say 'change' and take a DARE instead of a TRUTH, or vice versa. After saying change,

the victim cannot go back to the original TRUTH or DARE. If the victim will not answer a TRUTH or do a DARE, the team loses its turn and moves its counter back to the square it was on at the beginning of the turn.

8 The winner of the game is the team that reaches the finish first

# Close up

Comparisons

1 Find the names of twelve sports.

baseballboxingbungeejumpingcricketfootballformulaone skydivingrugbyrunningscubadivingskiingsnowboarding

2 15 Listen and say which sports George, Katrina, Paul and Eva are talking about. Which key words helped you to identify the sports?



**3** Listen again. Complete these sentences to summarise what the people say about their experiences. You may need more than one word for each gap. Read tapescript 15 again to check.

a)	is slightly	than	(George)
b)	is just as	as	. (George)
c)	was one of the	I've ever	(Katrina)
d)	are by far the	(Paul)	
e)	is much	than	(Eva)
f)	isn't nearly as	as	(Eva)

- **4** Use the same structures to give your own opinions about different sports. Find other people in the class who agree with you.
- **5** Work with a partner. What rules do you know about comparative and superlative adjectives?

# Language reference: comparisons

# Comparative & superlative adjectives

Comparative	&	super	ative
structures			

1	fast cheap	faster cheaper	the fastest the cheapest	useful → more/less useful → the most/least useful
2	nice safe	nicer safer	the nicest the safest	exciting → more/less exciting → the most/least exciting
3	big hot	big <b>ger</b> hot <b>ter</b>	the biggest the hottest	X islisn't as fast/nice/big/slow/easy/good/ useful/exciting as Y.
4	slow few	slower fewer	the slowest the fewest	Snowboarding is similar to/like skiing.
5	funny easy	funn <b>ier</b> eas <b>ier</b>	the funniest the easiest	Modifiers
6	good better bad worse	the best the worst	Football is <b>much/far/a lot</b> more popular than skydiving. Skydiving isn't <b>nearly as</b> popular as football. The Seikan tunnel in Japan is a <b>little</b> <b>bit/slightly</b> longer than the Channel tunnel. Russia is <b>by far</b> the biggest country in Europe. Harrison Ford is <b>one of</b> the most successful film stars of all time.	

Language Reference p40

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# **River Deep Mountain High**

- 1 Make lists of things which are:
  - sweet
  - deep
  - strong
  - high
  - bright
  - bigger than you
- **2** Work with a partner. Tell your partner about your list.
- **3** Complete the love letter.
- 4 **Listen** to the song *River Deep Mountain High.* How many of the images and comparisons in the song are the same as yours?

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Darling,

When I was a little girl/boy I had a ... Now I love you the way I loved my ...

You are sweeter than ...

And my love is stronger than ...

And it's deeper than ...

I love you like bees love ...

Like the sun loves ...

Like fish love ...

If I lost you I'd ...

I'm going to be as faithful as ...

I'll never ...

Ike & Tina Turner Ike and Tina Turner recorded River Deep Mountain High in 1966. It was produced by Phil Spector and Barry Greenwich

# Kids

- 1 Note down the names of any children you know. Put them in the appropriate category.
  - babies: 0–1 years old
  - toddlers: 1–3 years old
  - young children: 4–7 years old
  - older children: 8–12 years old
  - teenagers: 13+ years old
- **2** Tell your partner about them.
- **3** Divide into two groups: *parents* and *children*.
  - Parents: discuss and list the qualities of a good child.
  - Children: discuss and list the qualities of a good parent.

Then compare your list with the other group.

# A child's point of view

1 Read these children's definitions of a mother and choose the one you like best.



**2** Write a similar definition for a father.

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Children from St Thomas More School, Kidlington, Oxford

- **3** If You are going to listen to these children defining five things from the list below. Which things do they talk about and in what order?
  - a) God
  - b) a dinosaur
  - c) an iceberg
- g) a police officerh) a mobile phone

f) a vet

- d) the Internet i)
- i) a robber
- e) the ozone layer j)
- j) a museum
  - o) Christmas

k) Autumn

1) a judge

m) a desert

n) a jungle

**4** Work with a partner. Imagine you are explaining other things from the list to a four-year-old child. Write down what you would say.

# Close up

- Defining relative clauses
- 1 Work with a partner.
  - <u>Underline</u> the relative clauses in the sentences on the right.
  - b) Which word is the relative pronoun in each case?
  - c) In each sentence, change the relative pronouns to either *who* or *which*.
- **2** Here are some typical children's jokes. Look at the pictures and complete the jokes with an appropriate word.
- 1 It's something that lived a very long time ago. It looks very scary.
- 2 A person that helps people, in heaven.
- 3 It's something that crashes down on people.
- 4 A person that steals things at night.



- a) Q: What do you call an \_\_\_\_\_ that has a machine gun? A: Sir.
- b) Q: What do you call a \_\_\_\_\_ who's very small? A: Minimum.
- c) Q: What happened to the \_\_\_\_\_ who stole a calendar?A: He got twelve months.
- d) Q: What do you call a \_\_\_\_\_ who's got no thumbs?A: Mr Justice Fingers.
- e) Q: What prize did the man who invented the \_\_\_\_\_ win?A: The Nobel Prize.

Can you translate any of the jokes into your own language? Are they funny?



- **3** What do you know about education in the UK? Complete these sentences using *who* or *which*:
  - a) A professor is a person ...
  - b) A secondary school is a school ...
  - c) Public schools are schools ...
  - d) A degree is a qualification ...
  - e) Undergraduates are people ...
  - f) A student grant is money ...
- **4** Write similar sentences about the education system in your country.

'You take the children's bath time too seriously, Norman ...'

For example: 'Selectividad' is an examination which you take to get into university in Spain.

 

 Omitting relative
 The relative pronoun is sometimes optional. For example, both of these sentences are correct:

 pronouns
 He's the man that I saw. He's the man I saw.

But in this sentence the relative pronoun is necessary: *He's the man that lives next door.* 

Language Reference p46

Read these sentences and cross out the relative pronouns which are optional.

- a) Jill Bennett is the woman who you want to speak to.
- b) She's seen the car which she wants.
- c) It was the qualification in engineering that helped me get the job.
- d) He's a man who likes his food.
- e) It's a university which specialises in technical subjects.
- f) What was the name of the film which you wanted to see?
- g) The teacher that I liked best at school was Mr Stevens.
- h) He's the teacher who taught us maths.

Where, when

& whose

You can also make relative clauses with *where, when* or *whose*.

- 1 Complete these sentences with *where, when* and a relative clause so that they are true for you.
  - a) My schooldays were a time in my life ...
  - b) The town I grew up in is the kind of place ...
  - c) The best holiday I ever had with my parents was ...
  - d) I once had a fight with my brother/sister/best friend ...
  - e) We used to play in a place ...

Read one sentence to your partner and then tell them more about it.

**2** Find out how many people in the class have these things in common with you and write down their names.

Find someone whose:

- car is the same make as yours.
- birthday is in the same month as yours.
- taste in music is the same as yours.
- mother is the same age as yours.
- shoe size is the same as yours.
- favourite food is the same as yours.

# **Definition Auction**

#### Rules of the game

- 1 Work in teams. The definitions are for sale in a public auction. Some of them are true and some of them are false. Each team decides which definitions they think are true.
- 2 Each team tries to buy the definitions that they think are true by bidding (offering) more money than all the other teams. You have a total of £10,000 to spend at the auction.
- 3 The winner of the game is the team that buys the highest number of true definitions.





# Language reference: defining relative clauses

Defining relative clauses give information which helps to define the topic of the sentence. They can be introduced by a relative pronoun: *who, which* or *that*.

# who, which, that

You use who to refer to people, and which to refer to things or ideas. You can use *that* for either. Who and which are slightly more formal than *that*. They are more common in written English than in speech.

An iceberg is an enormous block of ice which/that floats in the sea.

A judge is someone who/that decides how the law should be interpreted and applied.

#### whom

Whom is sometimes used as a more formal alternative to who in sentences where it is the object. Subject: He did it.  $\rightarrow$  He's the man who did it. Object: I saw him.  $\rightarrow$  He's the man whom I saw.

# **Omitting relative pronouns**

You can omit the relative pronoun when it is the object of the clause.

He's the man who(m) I saw. → He's the man I saw.

She's the woman who(m) I helped. → She's the woman I helped.

That's the company which I worked for. → That's the company I worked for.

#### when, where, whose

You can also use when, where and whose in relative clauses.

Autumn is the time of year when leaves fall off the trees.

An art gallery is a place where paintings and sculptures are displayed to the public.

A widower is a man whose wife has died.

# **Children's rhymes**

Stress timing

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**18** Look at this popular children's nursery rhyme and listen to the recording. The boxes show the stressed syllables.



- **2** Say the rhyme along with the recording. Follow the stress and speed of the recording. Try to finish at exactly the same time as the recording.
- **3** If Listen to another nursery rhyme. Work with a partner. Write the nursery rhyme. Use these words and any others you need. Then put boxes around the stressed syllables.

again	in	shower	there	middle	stepped	Doctor	
never	up	Foster	puddle	went	Gloucester	rain	

- 4 Listen to the rhyme again and practise saying it at the same speed.
- **5** Work with a partner. Make up a four-line rhyme with a simple rhythm, using words from the box below or your own words.

home alligator deliver shiver Rome comb waiter later river hat fat rat far car wearing sharing staring would could should







Roald Dahl

writers.

# First memory: The Bicycle

- You are going to read about one of Roald Dahl's childhood memories. Look at the picture and discuss the following:
  - a) What year do you think it is?
  - b) How old do you think the boys are?
  - c) What are they wearing?
  - d) How do you think their life was different from children's lives now?



2 Quickly read First memory: The Bicycle to find out Roald Dahl's 'greatest wish' at that moment in his life.

Between the age of seven and nine, only two moments remain clearly in my mind. The first lasted not more than five seconds, but I will never forget it.

- It was my first term and I was walking home alone across the village green after school when suddenly one of the senior twelve-year-old boys came riding full speed down the road on his
- 5 bicycle about twenty yards away from me. The road was on a hill and the boy was going down the slope, and as he flashed by he started back-pedalling very quickly so that the free-wheeling mechanism of his bike made a loud whirring sound. At the same time, he took his hands off the handlebars and folded them casually across his chest. I stopped dead and stared after him. How wonderful he was! How swift and brave and graceful in his long trousers with bicycle-clips
- 10 around them and his scarlet school cap at a jaunty angle on his head! One day, I told myself, one glorious day I will have a bike like that and I will wear long trousers with bicycle-clips and my school cap will sit jaunty on my head and I will go whizzing down the hill pedalling backwards with no hands on the handlebars!

I promise you that if somebody had caught me by the shoulder at that moment and said to me,

15 'What is your greatest wish in life, little boy? What is your absolute ambition? To be a doctor? A fine musician? A painter? A writer? Or the Lord Chancellor?' I would have answered without hesitation that my only ambition, my hope, my longing was to have a bike like that and to go whizzing down the hill with no hands on the handlebars. It would be fabulous. It made me tremble just to think about it.

[Excerpt from Boy by Roald Dahl, 1984]

Read Roald Dahl's first memory again and find four differences between the picture and 3 the extract.

- Lexis 1 Roald Dahl uses exaggerated language to bring the scene alive. Find the actual words he uses to describe the following:
  - a) The senior boy came riding very fast down the road.
  - b) As he passed me he started back-pedalling.
  - c) I stopped immediately and watched him.
  - d) I will go riding fast down the hill.
  - e) My wish was to have a bike like that.
  - f) It would be very nice.
  - 2 <u>Underline</u> all the words in Roald Dahl's first memory which you think are related to bicycles. Can you guess the meaning from the context? Compare with a partner.

# Second memory: The Great Mouse Plot

1 20 Read and listen to Roald Dahl's second memory. What was the terrible problem with the sweet shop?

My second and only other memory of Llandaff Cathedral School is extremely bizarre. It happened a little over a year later, when I was just nine. By then I had made some friends and when I walked to school in the mornings I would start out alone but would pick up four other boys of my own age along the way. After school was over, the same four boys <sup>5</sup> and I would set out together across the village green and through the village itself, heading for home. On the way to school and on the way back we always passed the sweet-shop. No we didn't, we never passed it. We always stopped. The sweet-shop in Llandaff in the year 1923 was the very centre of our lives. To us, it was what a bar is to a drunk, or a church is to a Bishop. Without it, there would have been little to live for. But it had one terrible drawback, this sweet-shop. The woman who owned it was a horror. We hated her and we had good reason for doing so.









# Close up

#### Would & used to

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- Complete the sentences below without looking back at the second memory.
  - \_ start out alone but \_\_\_\_\_ pick up four other boys of my own a) ... I \_\_\_ age along the way.
  - b) After school was over, the same four boys and I set out together across the village ... heading for home.
- **2** Do the sentences in 1 describe:
  - a) repeated actions in the past?
  - b) situations in the past?
  - c) single events in the past?
- 3 The past simple, *would* + verb, and *used to* + verb are all possible ways to talk about the past.

The sentences below are all in the past simple. Read them and discuss these questions:

- 1 Which sentences could be changed to would + verb?
- 2 Which sentences could be changed to used to + verb?
- 3 What does this tell you about how to use these two structures?

When I was a child:

- a) I was afraid of the dark.
- b) I believed in ghosts.
- c) I went on holiday abroad three times.
- d) I broke my leg skiing.
- e) I sucked my thumb when I was tired.

Are the sentences true or false for you?

- Ð I started learning the piano.
- g) I had long hair.
- h) I didn't like vegetables.
- i) I went to church every Sunday.
- j) I lived right in the city centre.

- Anecdote
- 4 Think about your life at the age of eight. You are going to tell your partner about it. Choose from the list the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and the language you will need.
  - Did your life use to be very different to how it is now?
  - Where did you use to go to school? How did you get there?
  - Do you remember any of your teachers?
  - Were there any you particularly liked or disliked? Why?
  - Who were your friends?
  - What did you use to do before/after school or during the breaks?
  - Did you ever do anything naughty? Were you caught and punished?
    - What was your favourite game?
    - What were your favourite sweets?
    - Was there one of the older children you particularly admired?
  - What was your greatest wish?

21 Why do the boys hate Mrs Pratchett, the sweet shop owner? If you would like to know what happens at the end of the story read tapescript 21 and listen to the recording.

# Language reference: would & used to

## would

used to

You can use would ... to talk about regular or repeated past actions. It sometimes suggests a feeling of nostalgia so is often used for personal reminiscences.

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Every day my mates would play football after school. I would visit my grandmother at weekends. We would go skiing at the same resort every year.

You rarely use would with this meaning in the negative or question form.

## You can use used to like would for regular or repeated past actions, and also for past states or situations.

I used to go to church every Sunday. I used to have long hair. I would go to church every Sunday. J I would have long hair. X

You can use used to in negative forms and in question forms.

Kids didn't use to have mobile phones. Now they do and I don't! Did you use to like school?



'My son, Eric, won't be coming to school today; he's in dreadful pain.

# News

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Discuss these questions:

- What do you know about the people in these photographs?
- If you saw one of these photographs in a newspaper or magazine, would you read about it? Why/Why not?
- Who are the most photographed celebrities in your country?
- Is there any celebrity scandal in the news at the moment?

# The hunters & the hunted

scooter

Read the web-page on page 51 and find the connections between:

a million dollars

a tunnel in Paris

Paparazzo	$\rightarrow$
a photograph	$\rightarrow$
Tom Cruise	⇒
Madonna	$\rightarrow$

- → 130 kph
- Alec Baldwin 🧈 a black eye
- George Clooney 🔿
  - → a Vietnamese pot-bellied pig



This page has been created to air concerns over the evergrowing problem of an aggressive breed of photographer known as the paparazzi.

The term 'paparazzi' comes from a character called Paparazzo in the Fellini film, *La Dolce Vita*, who rode around on a scooter taking photographs of the rich and famous. Modern day paparazzi take photographs of famous people, hoping to get them in an unflattering or compromising pose. The photograph is then sold for an enormous sum of money, sometimes close to a million dollars, to the tabloid press.

Some people say that celebrities are public property and that this invasion of privacy is to be expected – 'that's show business', they say. I think that this is true up to a point, but celebrities are being followed, harassed, chased, provoked and spied on in their own homes. That's not show business, that's criminal.

#### Unnecessary risks

- Tom Cruise has been pursued at high speed through the tunnel in Paris where Princess Diana was killed.
- When Madonna was promoting *Evita* in Rome, she had to drive away at 130 kph with her baby in the car because she was being chased. The paparazzi didn't even give her time to strap the baby into the car.

#### Invasion of privacy

- Alec Baldwin gave a paparazzo a black eye when he filmed him and his wife, Kim Basinger, returning to their Hollywood home with their new baby. Baldwin was arrested and charged with assault, but he was later acquitted.
- Cindy Crawford has been filmed in her bathroom from over a kilometre away with a huge telephoto lens.
- When Princess Diana's father died, a paparazzo was waiting outside her hotel – she tearfully begged him to leave her alone, but the pictures were printed in the national newspapers the next day.

#### Provocation

The paparazzi go out of their way to make people angry so that they can get a better picture. The American actor George Clooney was walking down the street with his girlfriend when a paparazzo shouted, 'Who's the fat girl?' The picture of Clooney's angry face was splashed all over the newspapers the next day. However, the actor got his revenge on the paparazzi when one of the photographers was hiding in his garden to get pictures of him and his girlfriend at home – the photographer was chased away by Clooney's pet Vietnamese pot-bellied pig.

The paparazzi are out of control. Some papers have recognised what is happening and have refused to buy pictures when it's obvious that a person's privacy has been invaded. Other papers must follow their example.

CLICK HERE TO VOICE YOUR OPINION

- Lexis 1 Match words and phrases from the two columns to make seven expressions from the text on page 51. Do as many as you can from memory. Then look back at the text to check.
  - a) give (someone) a black eye b) charge (someone) alone
  - c) follow (someone) angry
  - d) go (someone's) example
    - invade out of your way to do something
  - e) leave (someone's) privacy f)
  - g) make (someone) with assault
  - 2 Complete the following sentences with expressions from 1. You will need to change the tenses of the expressions in some cases.
    - a) All I did was ask him to smile for the camera and he
    - b) His aggressive behaviour is unacceptable. He should be \_\_\_\_
    - c) I asked her why she was upset but she told me to \_
    - d) It really \_\_\_\_\_\_ when people don't stop at red lights.
    - e) Are you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ annoy me? You know I hate it when you smoke in the kitchen.
    - f) David left school at sixteen and never went to college and now he's a millionaire. I should have \_\_\_\_
    - g) I regret asking my mother to stay. I feel that my \_\_\_\_

#### Discussion Discuss the following:

LANGUAGE TOOLBOX

Sorry to interrupt, but ...

To return to the subject

Yes, but as I was saying ...

Irregular

verbs

To interrupt

finish ...

To hold the floor

If you'd just let me

- a) Celebrity gossip and scandal is boring.
- b) Film and rock stars are paid too much.
- c) Tabloid-type newspapers and magazines should be banned.
- d) Information available over the Internet should be controlled.
- e) The private lives of politicians and royalty should never be discussed by the press.
- f) Highly paid film stars are public property.

# Close up

1 Test your irregular verbs. The irregular verbs below have been divided into five groups.

1	2	3	4	5
swim	break	let	grow	bring
drink	speak	set	fly	fight
ring	choose	cost	throw	catch

Why are they divided in this way? When you know the answer, add these words to the appropriate groups.

steal hit know begin teach

How many more verbs can you add to each group? Look at the irregular verb table on page 147.

2 Test your partner's knowledge of irregular verbs.

For example: Student A: Eat ...? Student B: Ate, eaten. Drink ...? Student A: Drank, drunk. Go ...?



#### News

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**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

#### POLICE THEFT

A television set (1) \_\_\_\_\_ from a Liverpool police station while officers were out fighting crime.

#### PLANE DRAMA

A drunk who tried to open an aeroplane door at 30,000 feet (2) \_\_\_\_\_ for the rest of a Denmark to Thailand flight.

### CAMPER DIES

Camper John Barnes, 23, (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_ after a 200-metre fall into a rocky ravine with only a broken foot. Sadly he (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_ when he fell out of the ambulance on the way to the hospital in Perth, Scotland.

#### UNLUCKY BURGLAR

Burglar Frank Gort broke down and sobbed when he (5) \_\_\_\_\_ to seven years in jail, claiming it was his unlucky number. An understanding judge in San Antonio, Texas, took pity and gave him eight years instead.

#### WANTED MAN JAILED



Fugitive James Sanders, who escaped from jail in 1975, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ in Texas after ringing the FBI to check if he was still on its wanted list.

#### STABBED IN THE BACK

Mr Clarence Ramsey (7) \_\_\_\_\_ seriously \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday when a man came up behind him and stabbed him in the back. Turning round to face his attacker, Mr Ramsey was surprised to hear him say, 'Sorry. I thought you were somebody else.'

Language Reference p54

1 Complete the sentences below with the words and phrases in the box.

a judge a car crash paparazzi the police his pet Vietnamese pot-bellied pig

- a) \_\_\_\_\_\_ arrested Baldwin and charged him with assault but \_\_\_\_\_\_ acquitted him.
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ pursued Tom Cruise at high speed through the tunnel in Paris where \_\_\_\_\_ killed Princess Diana.
- c) George Clooney got his revenge on the paparazzi when one of the photographers was hiding in his garden to get pictures of him and his girlfriend at home – \_\_\_\_\_ chased away the photographer.
- **2** Look at these extracts from the text on page 51. What verb structure do all the sentences use?
  - a) Baldwin was arrested and charged with assault, but he was later acquitted.
  - b) Tom Cruise has been pursued at high speed through the tunnel in Paris where Princess Diana was killed.
  - c) However the actor got his revenge on the paparazzi when one of the photographers was hiding in his garden to get pictures of him and his girlfriend at home – the photographer was chased away by Clooney's pet Vietnamese pot-bellied pig.
- **3** Discuss these questions.
  - a) How is the passive formed?
  - b) Only one of the sentences mentions the agent. Which one?
  - c) Which preposition is used with the agent?
  - d) What are the advantages of using the passive? Match these reasons to the three sentences in 2.
  - 1 The agent is unknown.
  - 2 The agent is obvious.
  - 3 You want to keep the important information at the beginning of the sentence.
- **4** Complete the short newspaper stories on the left with a suitable verb from the box.

steal handcuff rescue sentence arrest injure kill rob damage break shoot kill find guilty destroy

- **5** What are the experiences of the class? Ask questions to find someone who:
  - has been searched by customs.
  - has been stopped for speeding.
  - has been let down by a friend.
  - has been photographed by a local newspaper.
  - has been mistaken for somebody else.
  - has been injured playing a sport.
  - has been given a present they didn't like.
  - has been interviewed on radio or television.
  - has been questioned by the police.
- **6** Work in groups of three. You are going to edit some short newspaper stories. Students A and B will each have three stories. The stories are the same, but the language used in them is different. Student C is the editor who will explain what you have to do.

Student A look at page 139. Student B look at page 141. Student C look at page 143.

# Language reference: passives

There are various situations in which it is better to use the passive rather than the active. The agent of a verb is the person, people or thing which performs the action. To include the agent in the sentence, you use by:

A meeting was called by the marketing department.

#### Passive without agent

- The agent is unknown. 1 A bomb was left in the city centre last night. Her car has been stolen.
- 2 You do not want to identify the agent. The President admitted that mistakes had been made.

- You do not need to identify the agent. 3 The demonstrators were charged with disturbing the peace.
- 4 You are not interested in the agent. The acid is then heated to 100 degrees centigrade which causes it to react with the oxides.

## Passive with by + agent

When the agent is included you use the passive to put the most important information at the beginning of the sentence.

The President is protected by the CIA. Paper was invented by the Chinese.



# Headline news

1 Find the newspaper headlines for these four photographs. Which story would you read first? What are the news items about? Are there any stories like this in the news at the moment?



PEACE TALKS END IN ROW





- 2 E22 Listen to the radio news broadcast from the same day as the headlines. What is the order of the four stories?
- **3** Listen again and answer these questions.
  - a) Who made an announcement?
  - b) Why was it made?
  - c) What is Robert Holmes' job?
  - d) What did the Prime Minister order?
  - e) Where is Robert Holmes right now?
- f) What is Pauline Gates' problem?
- g) What does Pauline have to do?
- h) How old is Max Williams?
- i) How much money does he have?
- j) How old is Sally Lister?
- k) How much did the ring cost?

4 Listen again and complete the text of the broadcast.

And here are the news headlines.

Following severe droughts in Africa, the President of the USA has announced \_\_\_\_\_

Robert Holmes, Minister for the Environment, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Prime Minister \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into the mysterious disappearance of a large sum of money. A spokesman for the minister told us that he was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and not available for comment.

Schoolgirl Pauline Gates has \_\_\_\_\_\_. According to headmistress Jean Bradley, \_\_\_\_

And finally, to end on a happier note, wedding bells are ringing for \_\_\_\_\_\_ Max Williams, who won \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the lottery last month. He's going to marry \_\_\_\_\_\_ dancer Sally Lister. The happy couple posed for photographers outside the millionaire's luxury home in Essex and Sally held out her hand to show off her \_\_\_\_\_\_ engagement ring for the cameras.

**5** Write a radio news broadcast based on these newspaper headlines and photographs. Invent any extra information you need.





HOLLYWOOD COUPLE TO SPLIT

6 'Broadcast' your news to the rest of the class.

# Personal news

- Read this dialogue and think about how it could be improved.
  - Ken: Hi, Steve. How are you?
  - Steve: Oh, not too bad. Actually, it's my wedding anniversary today.
  - Ken: Oh.

Steve: But um, I forgot and my wife was really upset.

Ken: Oh.

Steve: But I just rang Le Petit Blanc and they actually had a table free, so we're going out for dinner.

Ken: Oh.

Steve: Anyway, I must go.

Ken: Er, yeah, me too. See you!

- 2 23 Listen to the dialogue and note the differences.
- **3** Read the dialogues. In each case, choose an appropriate response from the box. More than one answer is possible in some cases.

Congratulations! Well done! I'm sorry to hear that. Oh, no! Lucky you! That's terrible! Excellent! You idiot!

A	<ul> <li>A: Have you heard about Chris and Shirley?</li> <li>B: No what about them?</li> <li>A: They've split up.</li> <li>B:</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>I: Oh, no!</li> <li>J: What's the matter?</li> <li>I: I've left my bag on the bus.</li> <li>J: What are you going to do?</li> <li>I: I suppose I'd better ring the bus company.</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>C: Hello. You're looking very pleased with yourself.</li><li>D: I am! I've just passed my driving test!</li><li>C: Can I have a lift?</li></ul>	6	<ul><li>K: Have a glass of champagne!</li><li>L: Thank you. What are you celebrating?</li><li>K: My wife's just had a baby.</li><li>L: Boy or a girl?</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>E: Guess what. I've won a holiday to Florida.</li> <li>F: Is it a holiday for two?</li> <li>E: Yes, I'm taking my mum.</li> <li>F: Oh.</li> </ul>		M: You don't usually take the bus! N: No – my car's broken down again. M:
D	<ul> <li>G: I've just had some bad news.</li> <li>H: What's happened?</li> <li>G: I've failed my final exams.</li> <li>H: Are you going to resit them?</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>O: I didn't know you had a car.</li> <li>P: My parents have bought a new car and they've given me their old one.</li> <li>O:</li> </ul>

4 See 24 Listen to the dialogues and check your answers.

5 S 25 Listen to the responses. Practise the stress and intonation.

- 6 12 26 Listen to these ten sentences. How would you respond to each sentence?
- 7 Work with a partner. Choose five of the sentences below. Write five dialogues beginning with the sentences you have chosen. Act them out in class.
  - You look happy!
  - □ Why are you limping?
  - Are you all right?
  - □ That's a lovely watch. Is it new?
- You look upset what's the matter?
- ☐ I hear you're leaving the company.
- Where are you going for your holidays?
- I haven't seen you in English lessons recently.

# A letter from Berlin

 Read this letter from Pia to her friend Ian. Complete the letter with appropriate words. If you need help, look at the missing words in the box below. There is one word for each gap. They are not in the correct order.

> Anyway news but Well apparently feel soon hear what getting Apart pleased heard thing sorry forward applied loads embarrassing By the way

- **2** Work with a partner. Explain the relationships between Pia, Ian, Anna and Giorgio.
- **3** Answer each of the following questions with one or more of the above names.
  - a) Who lives in Berlin?
  - b) Who used to live in Berlin?
  - c) Whose mother has been ill?
  - d) Who's been promoted at work?
  - e) Who's got a new job?f) Who's called off their
  - wedding?
  - g) Who's gone back to Italy?
  - h) Whose parents have sent out wedding invitations?
  - Who's going on holiday in August?
  - j) Who's passed their driving test?

Dear lan,

It was great to (1) \_\_\_\_\_ from you. I'm (2) \_\_\_\_\_ I haven't written sooner, (3) \_\_\_\_\_ my mother hasn't been very well, so I've been looking after her. She's a lot better now.

Berlin, 14th July

I was so (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to hear about your promotion. You deserve it - you've worked so hard at that job. (5) \_\_\_\_\_ donel I wish you were still living in Berlin so we could go out and celebrate.

Actually, I've got some good (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_ too - I've got a new jobl You know I was fed up with my old job. Well, one day I was just looking through the ads in my local newspaper when I saw a job for an English school administrator. As you know, I've been looking for a job where I could use my English. So I (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the job and got it. I'm really enjoying it and I've already learnt (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_ of new things. I have to answer the phone (sometimes in English), send out information about the school and deal with any problems the students have. And the best (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_ is that I'm getting more money!

(10) \_\_\_\_\_, have you (11) \_\_\_\_\_ about Anna and Giorgio? They've called off the wedding. I've no idea why, but (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Giorgio's gone back to Italy and Anna's refusing to talk to anybody about it, even her old friends. I (13) \_\_\_\_\_ sorry for her parents – they've sent out all the invitations and now they've got to tell everybody that the wedding's cancelled. How (14) \_\_\_\_\_\_ I wonder if she's given him back that gorgeous ring? (15) \_\_\_\_\_, I suppose it's better that they've split up now rather than after the wedding!

(16) \_\_\_\_\_ from that, everything's fine here in Berlin. It's getting hot and I'm looking (17) \_\_\_\_\_ to going on holiday in August. Don't forget that you're always welcome to come and stay – we'd love to see you.

Anyway, I must go now. Write (18) \_\_\_\_\_ and tell me how you're (19) \_\_\_\_\_ on.

Lots of love, Pia

PS Guess (20) \_\_\_\_\_! I've finally passed my driving test.

4 Ian answered Pia's letter. Use the expressions below to write his reply.

Dear Pia,	
It was great	
I'm sorry	
I was so please	d
Thank you for t	he invitation to come and stay, but actually, I've
already made pl	ans for the summer. I'm going
By the way, Gio	rgio phoned me. Apparently,
Apart from that	
Anyway,	
Write soon.	
Lots of love,	
Ian	
PS Guess what!	

# Party

- 1 Think of a festival you know or have heard about. How much do you know about it?
  - a) What is the name of the festival?
  - b) When does it take place?
  - c) How long does it go on for?
- d) What do you know about its history?
- ake place? e) How do people celebrate?
  - f) How does the festival end?
- **2** Read this article about a big Spanish festival and find answers to the questions in 1.

# THIRD CITY SEES WINTER OFF WITH

t's March and I'm in Valencia, Spain's third largest city, with my new friend, José. It's 1 am. All around us, fireworks are going off and the streets are full of noisy revellers. 'Welcome to Las Fallas,' José grins. 'Here you're going to see how Valencians party!'

5 Seven hours later, I understood what he meant.

Las Fallas (the bonfire) explodes over Valencia every March from the 12th to the 19th. It takes the whole of the previous year to get organised and everybody joins in the preparations. The city buzzes with a festive vibe all week, but, like all good parties, it is at night when people really get down to 10 some serious celebrating.

The tradition of Las Fallas began in the 18th century. At that time, craftsmen used special candles to light up the dark evenings while they were working. At the end of winter they celebrated by burning all their waste material in a ceremony that brought together people from all the

15 neighbouring communities. Before burning the waste material, they made it into life-like statues, and then dressed them up to look like well-known but unpopular local characters.

Nowadays the statues, some of them over 30 metres tall, are made of cardboard and represent different aspects of modern Spanish society. The

20 whole of the previous year is spent fund-raising, planning and constructing the monuments, some of which are worth over \$200,000. But they all go up in flames with the maximum amount of fire and noise before the end of the festival.

The Valencians like their guests to enjoy themselves, but after one hour's sleep I am woken up by the sound of firecrackers and a brass band parading beneath my window. Valencia by day may be sleepier than Valencia by night, but during Las Fallas there's always something going on. From the outskirts of the city, 200,000 girls and boys, wearing traditional dress, march into the centre of town bringing flowers to decorate the statue of the Blessed 30 Virgin.

The festival reaches its climax on 19th March, a public holiday and St Joseph's Day. This is the night when the cardboard statues are burnt. As midnight approaches, a feeling of anticipation rises up from the streets and hangs over the city. Firecrackers go off every second or two and 35 midnight passes in a shower of explosions. The last statue burns down and

ends Las Fallas. It is a sad moment, but the Valencians don't have time to mourn the end of this year's festival. After all, they're too busy planning for the next one.

# BANG



(The Independent on Sunday 8 February 1998)

#### **Phrasal verbs**

1

Complete the sentences below with the correct endings from the box. All the sentences include phrasal verbs from the article on page 58.

Glastonbury 1998

- a) Don't sit around on your own: join ...
- b) Half the town burnt ...
- c) Even if I don't have an alarm clock, I always wake ...
- d) It was a beautiful night with a full moon that lit ...
- e) My cousin was injured when a firework went ...
- f) We'll all miss you. The whole family's going to come to see you ...
- g) We've wasted enough time. Let's get ...
- h) What's going ...
- i) You can't wear jeans to your brother's wedding: everybody will be dressing ...

off at the airport. up the whole bay. up for the occasion. up at six in the morning. on here? It's way past your bedtime. off in his hand and burnt him. in the fun. down to some serious work. down in a fire in 1948.

**2** Match the phrasal verbs in 1 to the meanings below.

- a) destroy completely by fire
- b) wear special clothes
- c) explode
- d) participate in an activity
- e) happen

- f) illuminate
- g) say goodbye before a journey
- h) stop sleeping
- i) begin seriously or enthusiastically
- **3** Complete these paragraphs with the same phrasal verbs. You may need to change the verb tenses to make them fit the sentences.

... They bribed a security guard to leave the briefcase in the house. But at about three in the morning the Prime Minister (1)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. She couldn't get back to sleep so she went out for a walk. When the bomb (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she was in an all-night café two kilometres away. The explosion was huge. It (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_ the whole sky and the house was (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_.

John's leaving for his year in the USA next week so we're having a party to (5)\_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_. It's going to be informal - you don't need to (6)\_\_\_\_\_\_ or anything. Just come as you are and (7)\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ some serious dancing. We've organised some party games, but if you don't want to (8)\_\_\_\_\_\_ that's OK. There'll be lots of other things (9)\_\_\_\_\_.

4 Call My Bluff: Work in teams of three. Team A look at page 139. Team B look at page 143.

#### Pronunciation

1 The words in the box are from the article on page 58. They contain all the short vowel sounds in English. Work with a partner. Match the <u>underlined</u> sounds to the phonetic symbols.

<sup>1</sup> 1 <sup>2</sup> e	
<sup>3</sup> D	°æ
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_	<sup>7</sup> A

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<u>a</u>round b<u>a</u>nd b<u>u</u>sy c<u>a</u>ndle c<u>i</u>ty differ<u>e</u>nt f<u>e</u>stival f<u>u</u>ll f<u>u</u>nd <u>goo</u>d <u>gue</u>st h<u>o</u>liday m<u>o</u>dern p<u>u</u>blic

27 Listen and check.

**3** Add more examples of your own for each sound.

# Close up



1 28 Zoë and Sandy share a flat. Zoë comes home one evening to find Sandy looking miserable. Listen to their conversation and find out why Sandy's unhappy.

- **2** Look at tapescript 28 and find three different structures that refer to the future.
- **3** Which form is used:
  - a) at the moment of making a decision?
  - b) to talk about your intentions what you've decided you want to do?
  - c) to talk about fixed plans?
- **4** Read the conversations below to find out how the evening continued for Sandy and choose the most appropriate verb forms.

Becky: Sandy: Becky: Becky: Sandy: Becky: Sandy: Sandy: Zoë:	Hello. Hi, Becky, it's Sandy. Hiya. Becky, will you do/are you doing anything tonight? Yes. I'll meet/I'm meeting Alex and Suzy in about half an hour. Where will you go/are you going? To the cinema. Would you like to come with us? Yes, I'd love to. Where will you meet/are you meeting? At their house, but we could meet you in front of the cinema in George Street at half past eight. OK, thanks. See you later. (Puts the phone down and calls out to Zoë.) I'll go/I'm going to the cinema with Becky. Good idea.	David: Sandy: David: Sandy: David: (Sandy Zoë:	going to call you. When? I mean, all right. Bye. Bye. puts the phone down.) You didn't tell him to get lost. Well, he apologised – and he'll have/he's having dinner
Sandy:	And next time I see David, I'm telling/I'm going to tell him to get lost.		with his parents. Anyway, I must go. See you later:
Zoë:	Hmm, I'll believe/I'm believing that when I see it.	(Later, i	n front of the cinema.)
(Phone Zoë: David:	rings.) Hello. Is Sandy there, please?		Hi, Alex. Hi, Becky. Where's Suzy? Oh, she changed her mind at the last minute. David phoned her and asked her to go for a meal at that new lapanese restaurant.
Zoë: Sandy:	Yes, hold on a moment <b>I'll get/I'm going to get</b> her for you. (Whispers.) It's David. (Coldly.) Oh, hello, David. Look, I'm really sorry I didn't call earlier, but I had to work late.	Sandy:	What?! Now I'm definitely telling/I'm definitely going to tell him to get lost!

5 29 Listen and check your answers.

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- **6** Work with a partner and complete the replies. Use *will ('ll), (be) going to* or the present continuous.
  - a) There's no food in the house. Don't worry ...
  - b) Can we meet for a drink on Tuesday? I'd love to, but ...
  - c) Have you got your holiday organised? Yes, we booked it last week. We ...
  - d) Are you ready to order, madam? Yes, I think ...
  - e) Does Jack know we've changed the time of the meeting? That's a good point. ...

- f) The car needs a service. Yes, I know ...
- g) About your trip to Greece. Do you know there's a taxi strike next week in Athens?
- Yes, Annie told me about it ... h) Is there an agenda for the conference yet? No, but ...
- Your hair's getting long.
   Yes, I know ...

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# Invitations

- 1 Read tapescripts 28 and 29 again and find:
  - a) two ways to ask somebody if they are free to go out.
  - b) two ways to invite somebody to do something.
  - c) two ways of refusing an invitation.
  - d) the excuse David gives Sandy for not going out with her.
- 2 Use language from the tapescripts to write a dialogue based on the plan below.



- **3** Practise the dialogue. Take it in turns to be Alex and Jo.
- 4 Work with a partner.

Student A: you want to meet up with B and go somewhere. Student B: you don't want to go anywhere with A. Make excuses.

# Language reference: future forms

The present continuous and the structures *will ('ll)* and *(be)* going to are three common ways to talk about the future. Each one tells us something different about what happened before the moment of speaking.

#### Will ('ll)

Form: will ('ll) + infinitive Use: to state a new decision, to make promises and offers. It's cold in here. I'll switch on the heating. Don't worry. I'll call you tomorrow. I'll help you carry your suitcase.

#### (be) going to

Form: be + going to + infinitive Use: to talk about your intentions. After university I'm going to travel for a year. Next time I see him I'm going to tell him what I think.

#### **Present continuous**

Form:	be + present participle (-ing form)
Use:	to show that you are talking about your future
	arrangements, for example: appointments and
	organised events.
I'm pla	aying tennis with Judy on Saturday.

We're having a party on Friday night. Would you like to come? For other uses of these structures see unit 9.

Look at these three examples of different answers to the question: Have you got any plans for the weekend? 1 Decision No, I haven't. I think I'll call Jane and see if she's free. 2 Intention TO DO Not yet. I'm going to call Jane and see if she's free. 1 Superman 2 Take ca garage 3 Call Jane 3 Plan FRIDAY SATURDAY 1 pm - lunch date with Jane Yes. I'm having lunch with Jane on Saturday.

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# Parties

- 1 What sort of parties are these?
  - housewarming
  - leaving
  - fancy dress
  - 18th
  - surprise
  - Halloween
- 2 What other types of party can you think of?



Masked Ball, Venice

- **3** Work with a partner. What do you think makes a good party? Write a list and agree on the three most important 'ingredients'.
- 4 30 Listen to Alyson, Geoff and Rachel talking about the ingredients of a good party. Compare their ideas with yours.
- **5** Answer the questionnaire below. Then turn to page 142 and compare your score with a partner.

# Are you a party animal or a party pooper?

# You've been invited to a party but you're working the next morning. Do you ...

- a) think 'you only live once' and go and have a good time?
- b) go to the party but leave at ten o'clock?
- c) send your apologies and get an early night?

#### It's your birthday. Do you ...

- a) have a quiet family get-together, blow your candles out and go to bed early?
- b) hope that nobody has remembered. You don't want to get older anyway?
- c) have a big party and invite everybody you know?

# You've been invited to a party by somebody you don't know very well. Do you ...

- a) go to the party and hope you'll meet lots of new people?
- b) refuse the invitation. It's too scary?
- c) go to the party but take a friend with you to make sure you'll have someone to talk to?

- You arrive at a party and realise that the only person you know is the host. Do you ...
  - a) panic and hide in the bathroom?
  - b) go and introduce yourself to anybody who looks interesting?
  - c) end up talking to the most boring person there because nobody else wants to talk to them?

Your favourite record comes on, but nobody else is dancing. Do you ...

- a) wait until a few other people are dancing and then join them?
- b) stay where you are. You prefer to dance to your favourite record in the privacy of your own home?
- c) start dancing on your own?

Somebody suggests playing party games. Do you ...

- a) suddenly remember a previous engagement?
- b) feel embarrassed, but join in anyway?
- c) suggest your favourite game and organise it?



Alyson, Geoff & Rachel

Party

- Lexis 1 Complete as many of these sentences as you can from memory, using one word in each of the gaps. Compare your sentences with a partner. Then look back at the questionnaire to check your answers.
  - a) My philosophy is 'you only \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_once', so \_\_\_\_\_\_ sure you \_\_\_\_\_\_ good time'.
  - \_\_\_\_ an invitation, I sometimes say that I've got a \_\_\_\_\_ b) When I want to \_\_\_\_\_ engagement, even if it's not true.
  - c) I'm not very good at going up to strangers and \_\_\_\_\_ myself.
  - d) Even when I'm not looking forward to going out, I usually end \_\_\_\_\_\_ enjoying myself.
  - e) From time to time, I really enjoy an evening at home \_\_\_\_\_ my own.
  - **2** Are the sentences true for you? Discuss with a partner.

# Let's party!

Anecdote

1 Think of a good party you've been to, or one that was a disaster. You are going to tell your partner about it. Choose from the list the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and what language you will need.

- Whose party was it?
- What was the occasion?
- Did you take a gift for the host?
- Who did you go with?
- Where was the party?
- Were there any decorations?
- Were there a lot of people there?
- **2** Tell your partner about the party.
- **3** Work in groups. You are going to take part in a competition to organise the best party. Decide on the following:
  - . budget

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- formal or informal dress . decorations
- date and time who to invite
- . entertainment (music, fireworks, etc)
- place
  - food and drink
- Tell the rest of the class about your party. Try to convince them to come.



Manchester night life

- Did you know most of the people there?
- □ What sort of food and drink did you have?
- Did you dance?
- Did you meet anybody nice there?
- □ What time did it finish?
- Did you stay to the end?
- What was the music like?

# It's my party ...

- 1 Look at the picture. What do you think the song is about?
- 2 Identify the following three people in the picture:
  - the party hostess
  - Johnny
  - Judy

What is the relationship between them?

**3** Listen to the song again and read the lyrics. In each line of the three verses there is an extra word. Find the word and cross it out.



#### Chorus

It's my party and I'll cry if I want to, Cry if I want to, cry if I want to. You would cry too if it happened to you.

#### Verse 1

Nobody really knows where my Johnny has gone, But Judy left at the same time. Why was he still holding her hand, When he's supposed to be all mine?

Chorus

# Verse 2

Play all of my records, keep dancing all night, But just leave me alone for a while, 'Til Johnny's back dancing with me, I've got no more reason to smile.

## Chorus

#### Verse 3

Judy and Johnny just walked in thru' the door, Like a queen walking with her king. Oh, what a birthday party surprise, Judy's wearing his ear-ring.

Chorus

#### It's My Party

It's My Party was Lesley Gore's first single in 1963, and became a number one hit within weeks. Although she recorded several top 40 hits during the 60s, it was her only number one song.

It's My Party was recorded by Lesley Gore in 1963

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# Special occasions

Writing 1 Match the letters of invitation to the replies.

#### 1

#### Dear ...

Thanks for the invitation to dinner. I'd love to come. I haven't seen Brett and Alison for ages and your friend sounds really interesting. I'll bring some wine. Look forward to seeing you on Saturday.

Love

Dear ...

# Thank you for your kind invitation to your wedding anniversary. Unfortunately, I won't be able to join you as I'll be abroad on holiday. I hope the party goes well. Best wishes for a happy anniversary on the 4th. Love x

PS Give my love to Uncle Ken.

# 5

#### Dear ...

I hope you're well and that you're enjoying your new job. I'm writing to you because we would like you to join us for a small party to celebrate our 30th wedding anniversary on 4th September at the Ferncourt Hotel. I do hope you can come. Please drop us a line to let us know.

Love

#### Dear ...

2

It was great to hear from you. Sorry it's taken me a while to reply, but I've been up to my eyes in work recently. I'm pleased to hear that you're having such a good time at college and that you've made loads of new friends. David sounds nice. Three weeks? That must be a record for you!!

I'm writing to ask you what you're doing for the last weekend in May. I was wondering if you'd like to come down here and spend a few days by the sea. How about bringing David with you? (Can he cook?!) Please try to come. I'm really looking forward to seeing you. Write soon and let me know.

Lots of love xxx

#### Dear ...

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Thank you for inviting me down for the weekend, but I'm afraid I've got exams the following week, so I won't be able to make it. I'd love to come another time, though. Maybe after my exams. I'll give you a ring and we'll fix a date. Wish me luck for my exams. Love

#### Dear ...

This is just a short note to ask you if you could come to dinner next Saturday. I'm sorry it's such short notice, but an old friend of mine phoned me yesterday to say she's coming for the weekend, and I'd love you to meet her. I think I've talked to you about her. Her name's Justy and she works for a film company in Spain. I'm going to ask Brett and Alison too. I do hope you can make it.

Love

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- 2 Complete the following expressions so that they make sense. Then look back at the letters on the previous page to compare.
  - a) We would like you to join us for a small party to ...
  - b) This is just a short note to ask you if you could ...
  - c) I do hope you ...
  - d) How about ...
  - e) Thank you for your kind invitation to your party. Unfortunately ...
  - f) I'm really looking forward ...
  - g) Thanks for the invitation to dinner. I'd love ...
  - h) Please try to ...
  - i) I was wondering if you'd like ...
  - j) Thank you for inviting me down for the weekend, but ...
- **3** Label each sentence in 2 as follows:
  - I for an invitation
  - A for accepting an invitation
  - R for refusing an invitation

Underline the sentences which you consider to be the most formal. Compare your choice with a partner.

**4** Work with a partner. Write a letter of invitation to another pair of students in the class. Include the date, the time and the place.

Exchange your letters and write a reply accepting the invitation if you are free, or refusing it if you are not.

5 Match the greeting cards to the messages below. What is the occasion for each of these greetings?



- a) Congratulations. I hope you'll be very happy together.
- b) Congratulations. When's the big day?
- c) We're thinking of you and your family at this sad time.
- d) Congratulations. Hope she has her mother's looks and her father's talent for golf.
- e) Get well soon.
- f) We had a lovely evening. Don't forget to let me have that recipe.
- g) Many happy returns! Don't worry, you're only as old as you feel!
- h) Good luck. When's the housewarming party?
- i) All the best. We'll miss your smile around the office.
- j) Well done! Third time lucky.

# Review 1

# **Test yourself**

Here are some questions about units 1–7 of *Inside Out*. Find the grammar mistakes in the questions and correct them.



Can you answer the questions? Look back over units 1–7.

# Once in a blue moon

Adverbs of frequency

#### LANGUAGE TOOLBOX

hardly ever often every six months occasionally from time to time twice a month every morning once in a blue moon never always every other week on Mondays now and again rarely generally usually 1 Write questions with *How often do you* ...?



**2** Ask other students the questions in 1. Who in the class does each activity the most and the least often?

# Friends

**Listening** 1 **Each** of the people below is friends with one of the others. Listen and write down any key words, (places, events, times, etc). Decide who is friends with whom.



2 Have you got a friend that you met in an unusual way or in an unusual place?

# Fancy going out?

Future forms

1 Choose the most appropriate form. In some cases there is more than one possibility.

Tomoko: Hi, Marie. (1) Are you doing/Do you do/Will you do anything tonight? Marie: Yeah, I (2) 'll see/'m going to see/'m seeing a film with Peter and Berta. Do you fancy coming with us?

Tomoko: What (3) are you going to see/are you seeing/will you see?

- Marie: We're not sure yet. We (4) meet/'ll meet/'re meeting at six thirty and then maybe we (5) 're trying/'re going to try/'ll try that new Indian restaurant before we go to the cinema.
- Tomoko: Yeah, I (6) 'm coming/'ll come /'m going to come along if you're sure it's OK.
- Marie: Of course. We (7) meet/'ll meet/'re meeting outside school. Six thirty.
- Tomoko: I (8) give/'ll give/'m going to give you a lift if you like. (9) Will I call/Shall I call/Do I call for you sometime after six?

Marie: Great. I (10) 'm seeing/'m going to see/'ll see you later then. Tomoko: Bye.

**2** Work with a partner and improvise a similar conversation.

# Sound & vision

**Pronunciation** 1 There are twelve pure vowel sounds in English. Think of three more words for each sound.

/i:/ /1/ / $\upsilon$ / /u:/ /e/ / $\vartheta$ / /3:/ / $\vartheta$ :/ /a/ / $\lambda$ / / $\alpha$ :/ / $\upsilon$ / see big look blue egg mother word more cat cup start top

2 Look at the picture on page 140. Which vowel sound is not in the picture? For example: key is /i:/.

# Keep in touch

<b>Tense review</b> 1 Put the verbs in brackets into the most appropriate ten	riew 1 Put the verbs in brackets	into the most appropriate tenses
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Sydney, 15th May

Dear Lena,

Just a quick not	e (in English!!!) to say that I (1) (h	ave) a fantastic time here
in Australia. I (2	) (be) here for over two weeks now	! The course
(3)	(be) really good and my English (4)	_ (get) better every day.
1 (5)	_ (meet) lots of interesting people and I (6)	(become) quite
friendly with son	ne of them.	
Guess what! (7)	(you/remember) Miguel who we (8)	) (meet) in
Paris last year?	Well, his brother (9) (study) here,	in the same class as me
actually and ha	(10) (tall) mo that Miaual (11)	(come) aven have

actually, and he (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (tell) me that Miguel (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (come) over here next month. He (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (spend) a few days here in Sydney on his way to Bali. I (13) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (hope) he (14) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (remember) me!

So, how's life for yo	u? (15)	_ (you/miss) me?   (16)	(be) a bit
homesick at first a	nd I really (17)	(want) to see you, but	I (18)
(feel) fine now. (19)	(you/	see) Marcella recently? She (20	0) (work)
so hard for her exa	m when I last (21)	(see) her. The exar	n (22)
(be) next week, isn'i	t it? (23)	(tell) her that I (24)	(think) of her.
Well, I (25)	(have got) a	a lesson in five minutes, so I (20	5) (finish)
now. I (27)	(write) again	500n.	
- i	<u></u>		

Take care and lots of love,

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Virginia xxxx

**2** Write a short letter to a friend telling them your news.

# Do you know Paris?

Sentence stress

- 33 Which do you think are the most strongly stressed words in this dialogue?
- Val: Where do you live?
- Tony: In Paris.
- Val: Oh, really? Whereabouts?
- Tony: Do you know Paris?
- Val: Quite well. I've got a friend there.
- Tony: Oh, right. Um, I'm right in the centre. Near the Champs-Elysées.
- Val: Nice! Which street?
- Tony: Rue Marbeuf. Do you know it?
- Val: I think so. Is it just opposite that big café?
- Tony: Yeah, that's right.
- Val: Yeah, my friend lives in rue François, just round the corner.

Listen and check. Then work with a partner and practise the dialogue.

2 Write your own similar dialogue and practise it.

# Did you know ...?

Passive Can you rearrange the information to make ten facts?

For example: 35,000 million bananas are harvested in Brazil every year.

a)	35,000 million bananas	use in the USA	every year.
b)	3,500 km² of the world's forest	rule by the House of Windsor	every day.
c)	The World Cup	invent	in 1928.
d)	25,000 litres of petrol	next see	in 2002.
e)	300 babies	eat in Japan	every year.
f)	Sliced bread	harvest in Brazil	since 1910.
g)	Great Pritain	destroy	every week.
h)	Halley's comet	hold in Japan and South Korea	in 2061.
i)	20 people in India	born in the world	every minute.
j)	13,000 tonnes of fish	kill by falling coconuts	every second.

# People & places

Relative clauses 1 Complete these questions with the missing words: who, whose, which, that or where. Can you name:

- a) the city <u>which</u> was the birthplace of Marco Polo?
- b) the pacifist \_\_\_\_\_ led India to independence?
- the city \_\_\_\_\_ gave us the Beatles? c)
- the French scientist \_\_\_\_\_ won the Nobel Prize in 1911? d)
- the cosmonaut \_\_\_\_\_\_ was the first person in space? e)
- the country \_\_\_\_\_ football legend Pele played for? f)
- the singer \_\_\_\_\_\_ first number one was Like a Virgin? g)
- the city \_\_\_\_\_ the prophet Mohammed was born? h)
- i) the mountain \_\_\_\_\_ is home to the Greek gods?
- the city \_\_\_\_\_ John F Kennedy was assassinated? j)
- k) the only British monarch \_\_\_\_\_ ruled for over sixty years?
- the explorer \_\_\_\_\_ was the first to reach the South Pole? 1)
- m) the country \_\_\_\_\_ Alexander the Great was born?
- 2 Work in small groups. The answers to the questions in 1 can be found in the box. There are more answers than questions. The group that answers the most questions correctly is the winner.

Amundsen Argentina Armstrong Brazil Curie Dallas Egypt Elizabeth Gagarin Gandhi Lennon Liverpool London Macedonia Mecca Madonna New York Olympus Pasteur Polo Rome Sting Turkey Venice Victoria

For the answers that you didn't use write similar questions using 'Can you name ...?' 3

# Far, far away

Adjectives

- Choose the correct alternative in bold in the text on the right.
- 2 Complete Anna's postcard to her friend with adjectives in an appropriate form.



India captures the imagination. Colourful, exciting/excited, at times exasperated/ exasperating, but never, ever dull. To some it is the most fascinated/fascinating place on earth and you are sure to be captivated/ captivating from the moment you arrive. India's amazed/amazing diversity provides something for everyone. From the Himalayas, where you are dwarfed by some of the most high/highest mountains in the world, to the magical deserts and charmed/charming palaces of Rajasthan; from the most busy/ busiest streets imaginable, where simply having a stroll can leave you absolutely tired/exhausted, to the hedonism of the palm-fringed beaches of Goa, where you'll feel a hundred per cent relaxed/relaxing. India is much more than a place you visit. India is an assault on the senses. A place you will never forget.

**3** Think of a holiday you've had or a place you've visited. Imagine you're there now. Write a postcard to a friend.

# A letter to a friend

**General** Here is Lena's reply to Virginia's letter which appeared on page 69. Find and correct the mistakes. There are at least 20 mistakes.

Roskilde, 23rd May

Dear Virginia,

Thanks for your letter last week. It's great to hear that you have a good time in Australia and I'm glad the school and the course are good.

So, when Miguel is coming to Australia? Maybe I visit you at the same time! And what is Miguel's brother like? Is he looking like him? Write soon and tell me all about it.

Life here is fine, although we all miss you lots. We especially have missed you last weekend. Juliette was having a party for her birthday. Everybody were there and I spent most of the evening dancing.

Remember the people which last month we met at the Superhead concert? Well, Juliette was invited them to the party and we all got on really well. We had an absolutely good time. Stefan and me really hit it off! In fact, I'll see him again tomorrow. He rung me the day after the party to ask me out. I'm so exciting! I'll write soon and let you know how it's all going.

Marcella she say hello to you. Her exam has been yesterday. I don't speak to her since then, but I'm sure she did fine.

Me, Mum, Dad and Thomas are passing next week a few days with my grandparents in Hamburg. As you know, we go usually there each year two times. I generally enjoy it, but I'm glad always when it's time to come home. And this year it'll be more harder than ever to be away!!!

Write again soon and have fun!

Love,

Lena xxxxxxx

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## Soap

Combine these words and part-words to form at least ten more family words. 1

mother	brother	nephew	second	-in-law	
ex-	step-	single	sister	child	
father	son	cousin	half-	parent	
daughter	aunt	husband	niece	first	
uncle	grand	great	wife	only	

- 2 Use as many of the words as you can to describe yourself.
- 3 Draw a diagram to illustrate some of your own family relationships.
- 4 Put (brackets) around the family members you live with.
  - <u>Underline</u> the relatives that live nearest.
  - Cross out the relatives you see least.
  - (Circle) the relative you saw most recently.
  - Put an asterisk (\*) by the oldest relative and two asterisks (\* \*) by the youngest.
  - Tick ( $\checkmark$ ) the relative you get on best with.
- 5 Work with a partner. Compare your diagrams. Take it in turns to talk about some of the relatives you have identified. What are they like? What sort of lives do they live?

## **Pacific Heights**

1 Read Who's who in Pacific Heights. Match the characters in BOLD to their photos in the family tree on page 73. Write the names of the characters above the photos.



he series is set in Pacific Heights, California. MAX DALTON and PHIL TURNER, his son-in-law, run 5 which has been in the family for over 150 years. Max became managing director of Dalton Cosmetics Corporation five years ago when his father died and soon afterwards 10 they have transformed DCC from a small family business into a successful

- multinational company. They are in the process of negotiating a very important deal with a French distributor. The pressures of 35 28, and his 27-year-old brother, DANIEL, 15 work are beginning to affect 60-year-old
- Max's health.

Max's second wife SARAH is a dynamic woman in her early fifties who runs her own business. She has always been an attractive 40 married to Clare. Daniel works as a sound 20 woman and is the only member of the family

with red hair. She insists that it is natural.

Max has two daughters by his first marriage. There's a big age gap between them: PENNY is in her late thirties and LOU 45 DCC. Daniel met the beautiful young

- a large cosmetics corporation, DCC, 25 is just 21. Lou has always wished that she was a boy (and looks like one with her long slim legs and short spiky hair). She's the baby of the family and Penny tends to mother her. took Phil on as his junior partner. Together, 30 mother and she has a difficult relationship
  - with Sarah. The two girls both take after their mother with their blonde hair and blue eyes. As well as a daughter called Amy, Sarah

- look alike with their brown hair and dark brown eyes, but Daniel is more outgoing than his elder brother. Dave works as a sales
- engineer for a recording company and recently got engaged to Annick, whose father

runs the French distribution company which is about to sign an important contract with Frenchwoman soon after his ex-girlfriend, Katy, had left him for John, Daniel's best friend. At the time, Daniel was heartbroken.

I'm Marie Lefarge's great granddaughter

I'm Marc

Duval's sister

Me

I'm Jean Duval's daughter

I'm Raquel

Parmenter's niece

Katy and Annick are both in their mid Lou has never got over the death of her 50 twenties, but apart from that they are very different. Annick is classically beautiful with her long thick dark hair and fine Mediterranean features, while Katy is attractive in a less conventional way: she's got has two sons from a previous marriage. Dave, 55 long blonde hair with red and brown streaks, sparkling blue eyes and a flirtatious smile. Annick works for her father's company; Katy works as a set manager for a film company.

EDITH, Max's elderly mother, holds the manager for a computer company and is 60 whole family together. At the age of 78 she is still very active and everybody confides in her when they have a problem.

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- 2 Who are Annick, Katy and John? What is their relationship to Daniel?
- Lexis 1 Refer to the Dalton family tree and the text and answer each of the following questions with one name:
  - a) Who is Penny's grandmother? b) Who is Max's son-in-law?

  - c) Who is Max's youngest step-son?f) Who is Edith's daughter-in-law?d) Who is Daniel's ex-girlfriend?g) Who is Edith's oldest granddaug
- e) Who is Max and Sarah's future daughter-in-law?
- g) Who is Edith's oldest granddaughter?
- 2 Write some similar questions and ask another student.
- 3 The mistakes in the following sentences have been <del>crossed out</del>. Rewrite the sentences correctly.
  - a) In the age of 52, Sarah is still an attractive woman.
  - b) Lou has 21 years.
  - c) Katy has blue big eyes.
  - d) Both Katy and Annick are in their middle twenties.
  - e) Sarah's red curly hair makes her look young for her age.
  - f) Edith is Max's elderly mother; her age is 78.
  - g) Even though Edith is at her late seventies, she is still very fit for her age.
  - h) Daniel is Dave's 27- years -old brother.
  - i) Daniel is more outgoing that Dave.
  - j) Most men in his age are not as hardworking as Max Dalton.
- 4 Think of your friends and family, or famous people, and complete these sentences in an appropriate way. Choose a different person for each sentence.
  - d) \_\_\_\_\_ is in her early \_\_\_\_\_. a) \_\_\_\_\_ has got \_\_\_\_\_ hair. b) \_\_\_\_\_\_ is in his late/mid/early \_\_\_\_\_\_. e) \_\_\_\_\_ has a \_\_\_\_\_\_. c) \_\_\_\_\_ has got \_\_\_\_\_ eyes. f) looks



- *say/tell* **1** Read *The story so far* and complete the gaps with *said* or *told*.
  - 2 Who said:
    - a) 'It's all over between John and me.'
    - b) 'I'm not sure about me and Annick.'
    - c) 'You should have a rest.'
    - d) 'Don't say a word about this.'
  - **3** Complete the following rule for *say* and *tell*.
    - You \_\_\_\_\_ somebody.
    - You \_\_\_\_\_ something.

#### The story so far:

Katy phoned Daniel and (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_ that she had split up with John. They arranged to meet and when he saw Katy, Daniel realized that he was still in love with her. Daniel (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Edith that he was having second thoughts about his engagement to Annick. Penny went shopping with Lou to buy her a bridesmaid's dress for the wedding. On the way back to the Daltons' house they saw Daniel with Katy. Penny (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Lou not to say anything. Max went to the doctor with pains in his chest and the doctor (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_ him that he was suffering from overwork and stress. He (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_ that he should take it easy for a while.

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## Pacific Heights: Scene 1

**1 1 34** Scene 1 is divided into four parts. Listen to the scene and read the script. How does the story develop in each part? Listen for new information about the characters, their situations and their actions.

Max: What's the matter? Mom, are you all right?

#### Scene I

Scene		Max:	vyhats the matter: Mom, are you all right?
Part I	Edith is in the kitchen at the Daltons'. Daniel arrives	Edith:	Yes, I'm fine, dear. It's $Daniel-he$ says he's having doubts about
Daniel	: Hi, Grandma.	-	Annick.
	Hello, dear. How's it going?	Max:	What! What does he mean?
	: Oh, don't ask.	Edith:	He's seen Katy again.
	Are you still thinking about Katy?	Max:	Katy? I thought she was married to somebody else. Anyway, it's
	: Yes. I can't get her off my mind. I don't know what to do.		too late to cancel the wedding now.
	I thought you'd got over her.	Sarah:	Oh, but Max, if Daniel's still in love with Katy
	: I had until I saw her again. When she told me she'd broken	Max:	I don't care who he's in love with, the wedding is going ahead.
Daniei	-		
Edieby	up with John, all the old feelings came back.	Part 4	Lou and Penny arrive
	But Daniel, what about Annick and the wedding?	D	
Daniei	: I know. I thought I loved Annick. When I asked her to marry		Oh, dear: What's going on here?
E.P.L	me I meant it – but now I'm not sure how I feel.		Er, nothing – everything's fine.
Edith:	Look, why don't you go away for a few days and think about it?	Contraction of	Juice, dear?
	How about going to stay with Dave and Clare - they'd love to	Penny:	Oh, yes, please. We've had a terrible day – we've been
	see you.		shopping to get Lou a bridesmaid's dress and she says she
	: But I thought Dave was in Mexico.		won't wear a dress.
Edith:	Oh, yes, he is, isn't he? Oh, well, Clare's there – you could talk it	Lou:	Well, I hate dresses – it's not fair: Why can't I wear a suit?
	through with her.	Sarah:	Because you're a bridesmaid and bridesmaids don't wear suits
Daniel	: Yes, that's not a bad idea. I'll go and see her tomorrow.		- it's only for one day.
a (5		Lou:	Why don't you mind your own business?
Part 2	Max and Sarah arrive back from work	Penny:	
Max:	What a day! The traffic was worse than ever.	Max:	How dare you speak to Sarah like that – I think you'd better
	Sit down, both of you. Do you want juice?	1.8	apologize, young lady!
	Oh, thank you, Edith. I'm wom out.	Lou:	Don't call me young lady!
	: Why, have you had a busy day?	Max:	Say you're sorry right now, or I'll
	Yes, I've been shopping with Annick. She asked me to help her	Edith:	Max, calm down. Remember what the doctor told you.
ourum	choose her wedding dress.	Lou:	It doesn't look as if there's going to be a wedding anyway - I've
Edith	Did you have any luck?		just seen Daniel with Katy, and he had his arm around her.
	Yes, finally. You should see her, Daniel. She looks gorgeous.	Max:	What! Wait till I get my hands on that boy.
	: Oh good. I I've got to go out. See you later.	Edith:	Max, he's not a boy, he's a man. It's his life. Leave him alone.
Daniel	. On good. I Ive got to go out see you latel.	Max:	Leave him alone. I'll leave him alone if he messes this up for
Dort 7	Edith, Max and Sarah in the kitchen		me. I'll never speak to him again. Annick's father is about to sign
Fart 3	cului, max and baran in the kitchen		the biggest contract we've ever had and you tell me to leave
Sarah:	What did I say?		him alone.
Edith:	Listen, there's something you should know.	Sarah:	Max, wait

- 2 Why are the following characters particularly worried about the wedding?
  - Daniel
  - · Lou
  - Max
- Work with a partner. Talk about the characters in 3 Scene 1 and explain how they feel about each other.
- Lexis Find phrasal verbs in the script with the following 1 meanings:
  - to recover (from an unpleasant or unhappy experience or an illness) (Part 1) a)
  - b) to finish a relationship (with someone) (Part 1)
  - to discuss (something) thoroughly (Part 1) c)
  - d) to continue as planned (Part 3)
  - e) to happen, to continue (Part 4)
  - f) to spoil (something), to cause (it) to fail (Part 4)
  - 2 Complete the following with phrasal verbs from 1.
    - a) A: I've got a problem I'd like to discuss. B: Sure, \_\_\_\_
    - b) A: Is Carmen still going out with John? B: No, \_\_\_\_
    - c) A: Are you still annoyed about losing in the semi-final? B: No,\_
    - d) A: How did your speech go? B: I'm afraid \_\_\_\_\_
    - ? A: What's e)
      - B: I don't know. I think there must have been an accident.
    - f) A: Do you think we'll get a game today? I mean, the pitch must be flooded by now. B: They said
  - 3 Each of the following expressions from the script in Scene 1 has a word missing. Try to add the missing word from memory. Then look back at the script to check.
    - a) It's fair! (Part 4)
- e) I worn out. (Part 2)
- b) I care. (Part 3)
- f) Leave him. (Part 4)
- c) How dare! (Part 4)
- d) What day! (Part 2)
- g) What's matter? (Part 3)

- h) Mind your business. (Part 4)
- Work with a partner. Choose at least three expressions from 3 and write a dialogue using them.
- 5 Work in groups. You are going to act out a part from Scene 1. There are six characters in the scene:

Part 1: Daniel, Edith Part 2: Daniel, Edith, Max, Sarah Part 3: Edith, Max, Sarah Part 4: Edith, Max, Sarah, Lou, Penny

- Decide which part of the scene and which . character you will act out.
- Decide what mood your character is in.
- Underline the main stressed words.
- Practise the part by yourself and with other students.

Now act out your part in front of the rest of the class.



'It just didn't work out. She was a Gemini; I was a Libra. His girlfriend was a Taurus; my boyfriend was a Sagittarius; his wife was a Leo ...'



Reported speech

ed 1 Present continuous (direct speech) Past continuous (reported speech)

'I'm having second thoughts.'

He said that he was having second thoughts. He told Edith that he was having second thoughts.

What happens to these structures? Write some examples of your own to show how they backshift.

- a) present simple e) can
- b) present perfect f) must/have to
- c) past simple g) (be) going to
- d) will
- 2 These two sentences are in the imperative. What happens to them in reported speech?
  - a) 'Go away!' b) 'Don't do that!'
- **3** How many people have you talked to so far today? Write their names down in the order in which you saw them. Try to remember one thing you said to them and one thing they said to you. Now tell your partner.
- 4 Follow these instructions:
  - a) Write down the names of half the students in the class.
  - b) Think of a question you would like to ask each of the students.
  - c) Write down what you think their answers will be. If you don't know, write 'I've no idea.'
  - d) Ask them the questions and note down their answers.
- 5 Report what you thought the answer would be and what they really said.

For example:

I thought Hakim was going to go to the cinema with his girlfriend this evening, but he said/he told me he was going to stay at home and watch TV.

## Language reference: reported speech

In conversation you often need to report something that someone said earlier. In its simplest form this is a sentence with two clauses using *say, tell* or *ask*.

## Reporting verbs: say/tell/ask

say + something He says he's almost ready.

tell + somebody He **tells me** you're having problems with your car.

You can use that to join the two clauses. He says **that** he's almost ready. He tells me **that** he's almost ready.

ask + somebody Ask is often used in the past form: asked. You usually use a question word (what, when, etc) or if to join the clauses.

He asked me what I was doing. She asked me if I'd made my decision.

#### Backshifting

Sometimes you use said or told and backshift the verb tenses. 'I want a juice.' She said she wanted a juice. 'I'm having second thoughts.' He told Edith that he was having second thoughts. 'I've split up with John.' She told him that she had split up with John. 'I'm going to stay with Clare.' He said he was going to stay with Clare.' Note: You don't have to backshift the verb tenses if you are

Note: You don't have to backshift the verb tenses if you are reporting something which is still true. They say Argentina has an excellent teacher training system. The Times says he's going to resign.

#### Thoughts

You use the same structures to report a thought. Jack? I think he's gone to pick Ben up from the airport. You backshift the verb tenses to show that the thought you had was not correct. Bill! Hi! I thought you weren't coming.

## Pacific Heights: Scenes 2–4

How much can you remember about the characters in Pacific Heights? Complete these 1 sentences.

a) \_\_\_\_\_ is engaged to \_\_\_\_\_ . e) \_\_\_\_\_ has a difficult

b) \_\_\_\_\_ is married to \_\_\_\_\_. relationship with \_\_\_\_\_.

c) \_\_\_\_\_ broke \_\_\_\_\_ 's heart. f) \_\_\_\_\_ confides in \_\_\_\_\_. d) \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ 's g) \_\_\_\_\_ has recently split up with

business partner.

- 2 Read the background information about the characters in *Pacific Heights* Scenes 2–4 and complete the gaps with the names of the characters. There may be more than one answer.
  - a) \_\_\_\_\_\_ is married to \_\_\_\_\_\_. d) \_\_\_\_\_'s wife is older than him.
  - b) \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_'s girlfriend. e) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are involved c) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are with an Animal Rights group. identical twins.
- 3 Think about your own friends and family. Can you complete any of the sentences in 1 and 2 with people you know personally? Tell your partner about them.

## Heights Scenes 2-4 Who's who in

hil Turner is an ambitious man in his early forties and he is hoping to take over as Managing Director of DCC when Max Dalton retires. Max has a 5 good working relationship with Phil, but is 25 abroad on business. secretly jealous of his son-in-law's youthful

energy and athletic good looks. Phil and Penny have three children who have all inherited their father's dark hair and 10 their mother's blue eyes: a stunning 30 they share the household chores and combination. Ella and Mara are identical

twins and only their closest friends can tell them apart. Although they're only 16, they're very independent. Their 19-year-old brother, 15 Charlie, is a surf champion whose good looks

have made him extremely popular with women. One of Ella and Mara's friends, Becky, is his present girlfriend, but what Becky doesn't know is that Charlie is also 20 having an affair with Clare, Dave's wife.

Charlie

Clare, who is a therapist, has always liked younger men. Dave is 28, five years younger than her. As a sales manager for an international company, Dave often travels

At the age of 24, Amy is Sarah's youngest child. She lives with her boyfriend, 26-yearold Mark, and they have a three-year-old son, Jack. They are both part-time students and so childcare. They also belong to an Animal Rights group whose latest campaign involves a demonstration against tests carried out on animals at DCC.

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Dave and Clare

Ella and Mara

Listening III 35 Look at the drawings from the director's sketchbook. Listen to scenes 2-4 and 1 put the pictures in order.



Scene Mark and Amy talk about the demonstration.





- **2** Answer these questions:
  - a) Where's Charlie's surfboard?
  - b) What's Ella and Mara's problem?
  - c) What's Becky's problem?
  - d) What's Amy's problem?
- Lexis 1 Complete these everyday expressions from Scenes 2–4 with the correct word.
  - a) What have you been up to/around/down?
  - b) It's around/beneath/up to you.
  - c) I see what you mean/say/feel.
  - d) I must have made/done/said a mistake.
  - e) I've told you once and I'll tell you instead/again/last.
  - f) She'll get under/over/up it.
  - g) It serves him wrong/left/right.
  - h) Have you any belief/opinion/idea what they do to them?

2 Match the expressions in 1 to these sentences.

I realise now that I was wrong.

5 You should have listened to me before.

I understand. 2

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- 6 It's your decision. 7 It's his own fault.
- What have you been doing? 3 4 Do you know what happens?
- 8 She'll recover.
- 3 Listen to Scenes 2-4 again and put the expressions in 1 in the order in which you hear them.
- 4 Complete the summary of Scenes 2-4.

Ella and Mara told their parents \_\_\_\_\_\_. But Penny and Phil told them \_\_\_\_ .

Meanwhile Charlie arranged to go and spend the weekend with Clare while Dave was

away in America. He told his parents \_\_\_\_ . . . .

Mara told Ella \_\_\_\_\_.

Amy said \_\_\_\_\_\_. But Mark told her \_\_\_\_ .

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## Pacific Heights: The next episode

**1** Work in groups. Predict what will happen in the next episode of *Pacific Heights* based on the following information:



- **2** Write a similar TV preview to the one above for the episode *after* next.
- **3** Read what other groups have written and compare your predictions. Which version do you like best?

#### will for prediction

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#### LANGUAGE TOOLBOX

This time next year ... The next time you see me .... Sometime soon ... By the time I'm (forty) ... In (five) years' time ...

> will + continuous will + perfect

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	6 am	shower
	7 am	breakfast
	8 am	drive to London
	9 am	new de Kooning
	10 am	exhibition
	11 am	Roland Hoff (a new painter)
9	12 noon	lunch with Dani
	1 pm	
	2 pm	accountant
	3 pm	
	4 pm	
	5 pm	drive back to Oxford
	6 pm	Oxforu
	1	A STATUS

UNIT

- 1 2020 Vision. In a recent report from the Henley Centre, UK, the following predictions were made about British family life:
  - In the year 2020 the divorce rate will be over 50%. .
  - . In the year 2020 one in three Britons will be living alone.
  - By the year 2020 the traditional nuclear family will have become a minority.
  - a) In your opinion, are these predictions negative or positive?
  - Are they valid predictions for your own country? b)
  - If these predictions come true what will the consequences be? c)
- 2 What are the names of the <u>underlined</u> structures in the three predictions above?
- 3 Work with a partner. Match the three symbols on the time line to the three structures.



- Talk to your partner about your own future.
- Tania O'Donnel is an art dealer. She lives in Oxford. 1 This is what she will be doing tomorrow.

Look at the times and the things Tania has to do and complete these sentences using will be (doing) or will have (done).

- a) At six o'clock she \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a shower.
- b) At seven o'clock she \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a shower and she \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) breakfast.
- c) At eight she \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) to London.
- d) At nine thirty she \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the new de Kooning exhibition.
- e) At eleven thirty she \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the de Kooning exhibition and she \_ (talk) Roland Hoff.
- f) At twelve thirty she (finish) with Roland Hoff and she (have) lunch with Dani.
- g) At two she \_\_\_\_\_ (have) lunch and she \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) her accountant.
- h) At five thirty she \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) back to Oxford.



- 2 Write similar sentences about what you will be doing tomorrow.
- 3 Write three predictions: one about yourself, one about your partner and one about your country.



# 10 Time



Look at these three sayings about time:



How many sayings about time can you think of in your own language? Choose three and translate them into English.

- 2 What do these English sayings mean to you? Are they similar to any in your own language? Which ones do you like best?
  - Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today.
  - Better late than never.
  - There's no time like the present.
  - Tomorrow never comes.
  - Today is the tomorrow we worried about yesterday.
  - Time heals all wounds.
  - Time is money.
  - Time flies when you're having fun.

## **Punctuality**

Discuss the following in small groups:

- a) How punctual are you? Do you usually arrive late, early or on time? Think about some of these events:
  - a first date
  - an English lesson
  - a job interview
  - a wedding
- a rock concert a family dinner

a football match

a film

- b) What about your friends and relatives? Are you typical of people in your country?
- **Listening** 1 Read the questionnaire below and tick your answers. Then compare with a partner.

You have to attend a meeting which is scheduled to start at nine o'clock. Do you arrive ... a) exactly on time?

- b) ten minutes early?
- c) anything up to ten minutes late?

You've arranged to meet a friend in the centre of town. How long do you wait if your friend is late?

- a) Five minutes.
- b) Fifteen minutes.
- c) Half an hour or more.

You're at home working on an important piece of work that has to be finished for tomorrow when a friend calls by unexpectedly. Do you ...

- a) invite the friend in and hope they won't stay too long?
- b) invite the friend in but tell them that you haven't got much time to spare?
- c) tell the friend you're busy and you'll call them when you've got more time?

You have to do a job that's difficult or unpleasant. Do you ...

- accept that you have to do it and do it straightaway so that you can forget about it?
- b) put it off to another day?
- c) leave it until the last minute because you need to feel the adrenalin rush produced by stress?

In your opinion, a hard-working person works ...

- a) eight hours a day.
- b) eight to ten hours a day.
- c) twelve or more hours a day.

'Now, write one hundred times: "I must not waste my time ".'



**3** Work with a partner. Write down at least three activities you think are a waste of time.





 Work with a partner. Say the words in the box. Then match the underlined sounds to the phonetic symbols on the left.

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daus	Thursday	Tuesday	wea <u>th</u> er	Wedne <u>s</u> day
days	Saturday	weeks	first	third
4 ð	hours	weekend <u>s</u>	that	these

For example: /0/ thirty

Pronunciation

- 2 iiii 37 Listen and check.
- **Dates 1** Choose five dates that are important to you. Then dictate them to your partner. Say why you chose them.
  - 2 SB Listen to Julie talking about dates that are important to her. Write down the dates as you hear them and make notes on why they are important to Julie. Compare with a partner.

#### **Prepositions** 1 Test your prepositions. Complete these sentences with *on*, *in* or *at*.

- a) My mother was born \_\_\_\_\_ the 1950s.
- b) I work best \_\_\_\_\_ night.
- c) We always have a big family meal \_\_\_\_\_ New Year's Eve.
- d) I spend at least two weeks by the sea \_\_\_\_\_ the summer.
- e) I start work every morning \_\_\_\_\_ 9 am.
- f) I always try to get home from work \_\_\_\_\_ time to read my children a bedtime story.
- g) I never have a nap \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon.
- h) I would like to have lived \_\_\_\_\_ the Middle Ages.
- i) My birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ March. In fact it's \_\_\_\_\_ 6th March.
- j) I started learning English \_\_\_\_\_ 1995.
- k) Nothing special happens in my family \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas.
- 1) My boss never starts meetings \_\_\_\_\_ time. She's usually at least ten minutes late.
- m) I usually feel depressed \_\_\_\_\_ Monday mornings.
- n) I spend a lot of time with my friends \_\_\_\_\_ the weekend.
- o) I'm enjoying life \_\_\_\_\_ the moment.
- **2** Are the sentences in 1 true or false for you? Turn them into questions and ask your partner. Find out as much as you can.

For example:



**Time 1** Look at the monthly planner and follow the instructions.

expressions

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-	-	I	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	- 11	12
13	14	15 Today	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	_	-

a) Cross out:

Christmas Day New Year's Eve Boxing Day Christmas Eve

b) Imagine today is the 15th.

Underline:

the day before yesterday the weekend before last the day after tomorrow the Monday after next



tomorrow next Saturday a week today a week tomorrow Put in (brackets):

in four days' time in a fortnight's time the whole of last week two weeks ago

- Which dates are still free?
- **2** Use expressions in 1b to tell your partner about some of the things you've done recently and your future plans.

For example: The weekend before last I went walking in the mountains with some friends.

**3** Use the words in the box to describe the times shown.



**4** Work with a partner. Use the expressions in 3 to tell your partner about at least six things you have done so far today, and what time you did them.

## Things to do ...

Look at the 'things to do' lists below.

- Are you the sort of person who makes lists?
- Are these the sort of lists you make?
- How many 'things to do' do you have on your list now?
- 1 Read the article on page 87 and match the four people mentioned to their list.



aking lists is relaxing. It makes you feel important – all those things to do. It dictates the shape of the immediate future; it calms you down (it's OK, it's on a list somewhere) and it makes you feel good when you cross something off (list-making is standard practice in therapy for depression). It might even help you to get things done too.

The world divides in two when it comes to listing. Type A makes orderly lists, prioritises and calmly sets to work

<sup>15</sup> on them. Type B waits until panic sets in, grabs the nearest envelope and scribbles all over it, sighs with relief and promptly loses it.

The more you have to do, the more 20 you need a list and few people with high-powered jobs get by without them.

Barbara Vanilli, chief executive of a large chain of supermarkets, says, 'Before I go to bed, I have to write down <sup>25</sup> everything that's going to stop me sleeping. I feel I won't forget anything I've written down, so my lists are a great comfort.' Women always think they're better 30 at lists than men. Men tend to have

Tasks which they assemble into Action Plans whereas women just have lists of Things To Do. Jacqueline Maddocks, head of Maddocks Publishers, says, 'My male colleagues only make lists for work, whereas I have to make lists for work and for home too. It's essential to write things down. If you're constantly thinking, "I must remember this," it 40 blocks your mind.'

James Oliver, psychologist, has created his own 'time management matrix'. He writes a list of things to do and then organises them into 45 categories: things that have to be done straight away, other things that it would be good to do today, things that are important but haven't got to be done immediately and things that are less so urgent but that he doesn't want to forget. 'Using categories to order the world is the way the human mind works,' he says. 'After that, you should put things into hierarchies of 55 importance.' But he warns against the danger of Excessive List Syndrome. 'If people get obsessed with making lists, it doesn't work. They have too many categories and lose their capacity to 60 prioritise.'

It's all a question of what works best for you, whether it's a tidy notebook, a forest of Post-it notes or the back of your hand. Having tried all these, <sup>65</sup> student Kate Rollins relies on a computerised list, printed out each morning to be scribbled on during the day. 'My electronic organiser has changed my life,' she says. 'Up to now,

<sup>70</sup> I've always relied on my good memory, but now that I'm working and studying, I find I've got too much to keep in my head.'

So what are you waiting for? No, <sup>75</sup> you're not too busy to make today the first day of your upgraded timemanaged life. In fact, there's no better time than the present to get an upper hand on time and begin to take

<sup>80</sup> increased control of your work and life. So, get out your pencil and paper and make a list.

(Weekend Telegraph, Saturday December 13 1997)

**2** Talk about the article from memory using these prompts:

- good things about making lists
  - type A/type B
- before bed
- women/men
- matrix

- categories
  - excessive list syndrome
- electronic organiser
- what are you waiting for?

Collocation

Complete as many of these sentences as you can from memory to make collocations. Then look back at the article to check.

- a) What do you plan to do in the <u>future</u>? (line 5)
- b) Is it \_\_\_\_\_\_ practice to wear smart clothes in your company or school? (line 8)
- c) Do you know many people with \_\_\_\_\_\_ jobs? (line 21)
- d) Is Bill Gates still <u>executive</u> of Microsoft? (line 22)
- e) Have you got a/an <u>organiser</u>? (line 68)

**2** Work with a partner. Ask each other the questions from 1.

**3** Which of these words can combine with the underlined nouns from 1 to form new collocations? Check them in your dictionary and write some new sentences.

low-paid distant senior personal normal

List any more collocations to do with work or time that you know.

#### must & should

- 1 Look at James Oliver's time management matrix and match the following sentence beginnings to the squares on the matrix.
  - a) I must do it today ...
  - b) I should do it today ...
  - c) I must do it soon ...
  - d) I should do it soon ...





- **2** Complete the sentences in 1 with an appropriate ending.
  - 1 ... but if I run out of time I can leave it until first thing tomorrow.
  - 2 ... so I'll see if I've got time next week.
  - 3 ... or there'll be trouble tomorrow.
  - 4 ... so I'll do it next week.
- **3** Write your own 'things to do' list according to the matrix above. Use it to talk to your partner about your priorities for today/this week/this month.
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Work with a partner. Match the following headings to the four sets of verbs and phrases in the table below: permission; no obligation; obligation; prohibition.



## **Office cultures**

1 Look at the people in their different work places.

- Are the clothes the people are wearing formal or casual?
- How do they compare to work places you know?
- What sort of companies do you think they are? Why?



- 2 See 39 Listen to the people in the photos talking about their companies. Did you guess correctly?
- 3 Listen again and correct the information below if necessary.

#### OFFICE 1

- Working hours are flexible.
- Women aren't allowed to wear trousers.
- · You can smoke in the cafeteria.
- You're allowed to have your lunch at your desk.

#### OFFICE 2

- You can't smoke in the office unless you're working late.
- You have to go to the canteen if you're thirsty.
- You aren't supposed to have a break every two hours.

· You can wear jeans.

#### OFFICE 3

- You don't have to dress smartly.
- You're supposed to start work at eight o'clock.
- You can't smoke in the building.
- If you want a coffee, you have to go to the café next door.
- 4 Would you like to work in any of these offices?

## Language reference: obligation, prohibition & permission

*Must, should* and *can* are *modal auxiliaries*. All modals have certain special characteristics, for example:

- They are used to modify the meaning of another verb.
- 2 They take the infinitive without to. That's a terrible cough. You should see the doctor.
- 3 They do not add an *s* in the third person. He's putting on a lot of weight. He should go on a diet.
- 4 You cannot use them with another auxiliary even in questions and negatives. Must you go? You shouldn't do that.

Have to is similar to a modal verb in its meaning but not in its form.

- 1 It includes to. I have to go to the dentist.
- 2 It takes s in the third person in the present simple. She's a diabetic, so she has to take insulin.
- 3 Questions and negatives are formed with do in the present simple and did in the past simple. This is a very informal office. You don't have to wear a tie.

Modals are used to express a great range of meanings. The differences between them are sometimes subtle.

#### must & have to

The difference between must and have to is not great.

Must is often used to talk about personal obligations. I'm gaining weight. I must go on a diet. I must phone my mother. I haven't seen her for ages.

Have to is a little more impersonal. Everybody has to pay taxes. I have to do an English exam next week.

When you are not sure, use have to.

## mustn't & don't have to

Mustn't and don't have to are very different from each other.

Mustn't is used for prohibition. You mustn't smoke in a petrol station. It's a secret. You mustn't tell anyone.

When you use *don't have to* it means there is no obligation, negative or positive. Teachers in the USA *don't have to* wear ties. You *don't have to* leave yet. There's an all-night bus.

#### can/can't

Can't is often used like mustn't. You **can't** smoke in a petrol station.

Can tells you that an action is possible and/or permitted. You can leave now if you want to.

#### must & should

Must is a simple, strong obligation. Should is weaker: a less important obligation, or one that is not respected.

I should go to see the doctor, but I've got too many other things I have to do. I should revise for the exam, but I'm going out with some friends instead.

It can also be used for recommendations. You **should** stop smoking. You're killing yourself.

#### Other expressions

There are many other expressions that are related to permission and obligation.

Be allowed to is similar to can. You are allowed to go home early on Friday if we've finished all our work.

Supposed to is sometimes similar to should. It can imply that people do not follow the rules all the time. I'm supposed to wear a suit to work, but I sometimes come in jeans and a T-shirt.

## To whom it may concern

1 Choose two correct ways to start a business letter from Column A.

В

A Dear

Dear Mr Peter, Dear Mr Peter Maggs, Dear Mr Maggs, Dear Mr or Mrs, Dear Sir or Madame, Dear Sir or Madam, Lots of love, Yours, Best wishes, Yours sincerely, Your friend, Yours faithfully,

Match the ways of starting a business letter with appropriate endings from Column B.

Do you know any other ways of starting or ending business letters?

**2** Here are some examples of phrases often used in business letters. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

apply unfortunately hearing response complain 16th May confirm enclose grateful pleased

- a) Thank you for your letter of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ which I received this morning.
- b) I would be \_\_\_\_\_\_ if you could send me some information about summer courses at your school.
- c) I \_\_\_\_\_\_ my curriculum vitae for your attention.
- d) \_\_\_\_\_ I am not available on the date you suggest in your letter.
- e) I would be \_\_\_\_\_\_ to attend an interview at any time convenient to you.
- f) I am writing to \_\_\_\_\_\_ about the damage caused by your company when they delivered a sofa to my home last week.
- g) We look forward to \_\_\_\_\_\_ from you as soon as possible.
- h) We would be grateful if you could \_\_\_\_\_\_ your reservation in writing.
- i) I am writing in \_\_\_\_\_\_ to your advertisement in *The Guardian*.
- j) I would like to \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the position of IT assistant in your school.
- 3 Match each of the phrases in 2 to one of the functions below. There are two phrases for function c.
  - a) asking for information
  - b) applying for a jobc) beginning a letter

d) closing a letter

- f) giving good news
  - g) complaining
- h) saying that you are sending something with the letter

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- e) giving bad news
- i) asking for confirmation
- **4** Anthony Clifford is interested in applying for the post of flight attendant. Read his letter and decide whether you think he would be considered a suitable candidate. Why/Why not?

#### WORLDWIDE AIRLINES

#### FLIGHT ATTENDANTS

Worldwide Airlines are currently seeking friendly, service-oriented people who take pride in their performance and appearance. Applicants must be over 20 years of age and have at least two years' port high

and have at least two years' post high school education or work experience.

- Physical requirements: able to lift, push and pull heavy articles as required. Minimum height 1m 60, maximum height 1m 85.
- Languages: able to read, write, speak and understand English. Other languages an advantage.

Interested candidates can write to the following address for an application form and additional information: Worldwide Airlines Inc, PO Box 2983, Chicago, USA.

Santa Barbara, CA Worldwide Airlines Inc PO Box 2983 Chicago USA 5th February 2000 Dear Mr or Mrs, Application for the post of flight attendant I saw your advertisement in the Morning Post and I want to be a flight attendant. I am 21 years old, and I have just graduated from university. I have put my c.v. with this letter so that you can see what I've done and I'd love to come for an interview any time you like. How about sending me an application form and some more information about the job? I can't wait to hear from you! Lots of love, Tony

- **5** Improve Anthony's letter by using some of the phrases in 1 and 2 above.
- 6 Look at a corrected version of the letter on page 141 and compare it to your own version.

## Journey

**1** Read this excerpt from a book called *The Beach* by Alex Garland. Why did the author go travelling?

A few years ago I was going through the process of splitting up with my first serious girlfriend. She went away to Greece for the summer and when she came back she'd had a holiday romance with some Belgian guy. As if that wasn't enough, it seemed that the guy 5 in question was going to show up in London some time over the next few weeks. After three hellish days and nights, I realised that I was dangerously close to losing my head. I biked over to my dad's flat and emotionally blackmailed him into lending me enough cash to leave the country.

On that trip I learnt something very important. Escape through travel works. Almost from the moment I boarded my flight, life in England became meaningless. Seat-belt signs lit up, problems switched off. Broken armrests took precedence over broken hearts. By the time the plane was airborne I'd forgotten England even 15 existed.

- 2 Work with a partner. Have you ever travelled for any of these reasons? Tell your partner.
  - to escape boredom
  - to run away from a broken heart
  - to broaden your experience of the world

Can you think of any other reasons to go travelling?

include regions and cities in your own country.

- to learn languages
- to get a suntan

- to live out your dreams
- to take a break from your career
- to visit historical sites or travel along a historical route
- to raise money for charity
- **3** Where have the class been? Ask other students in the class and make a list of countries, regions and famous cities. Try to find a place for every letter of the alphabet. You can
- 4 Describe where five of the places in your list are using the expressions below. Say where the place you live is. Find as many ways to describe it as you can.

It's in the	north/south-west northern/south-western part	of (Poland) of (Argentina)	
It's	on the coast	to the north of (Los Angeles)	
	in the mountains	not far from (Grenoble)	
	in (Lombardy)	between (Milan) and (Brescia)	

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show up (line 5): arrive lose (your) head (line 7): go mad emotionally blackmail (line 8): use emotions to manipulate someone take precedence over (line 13): become more

split up (line 1): end a

relationship

(line 13): become more important than

#### The Beach

**The Beach** is Alex Garland's first novel. It has now been made into a film starring Leonardo di Caprio.

NGLASS -



- 1 Look at the photos taken by Conrad on his round-the-world trip. Could any of them have been taken in your country? Where?
- **2** Listen to Conrad showing his travel photos to a friend. He tries to get the friend to guess where the places are. Which two photos do they talk about?
- **3** Where do you think the remaining four photographs were taken? Discuss with your partner. Note down any places where a photo definitely couldn't have been taken.



Check on page 140.

Speculating	1	Listen to the conversation between Conrad and his friend again. Complete these
& deducing		sentences with the guesses the friend makes:

First picture	Second picture	
It must be	It must be	
I suppose it could be	It can't be	
It's probably	Maybe it's	

- **2** Put the five expressions in 1 into three categories.
  - a) I'm absolutely sure
  - b) I'm almost sure
  - c) I'm not really sure
- **3** Add these expressions to the three categories in 2:

It might be ... It may be ... Perhaps it's ...

- **4** Discuss these questions with your partner:
  - a) Which of the expressions in 1 and 3 contain a modal verb?
  - b) Look at the example below and complete the sentences using two of the words in the box. Discuss your choice with a partner.

must mustn't can can't

There's someone at the door.

It \_\_\_\_\_\_ be Carmen: she's working late tonight.

It \_\_\_\_\_\_ be John: he always comes home around this time.

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- **5** Rearrange the sentences below so that they make sense without changing any of the words.
  - a) They can't be too short of money. You must be joking.
  - b) You've been driving all day. You must be delighted.
  - c) That hotel must be doing well. It's never got anybody in it.
  - d) I must be getting old. I've heard such a lot about you.
  - e) A new car? On my salary?! They go skiing every year.
  - f) The new restaurant can't be very good. It's always got the 'No Vacancies' sign up.
  - g) You must be Sarah's husband. I can't remember anything about last night.
  - h) Great news about your engagement. You must be absolutely exhausted.

## Language reference: speculating and deducing

There are many ways to say how certain or uncertain you are about something. Here are some of them:

#### Modal auxiliary + infinitive

It must be ...

It may be .../ It could be ... / It might be ... It may not be ... / It might not be ... It can't be ...

#### Other phrases

It's definitely ... It's probably ... I think it's ... Perhaps it's ... / Maybe it's ... I don't think it's ... It probably isn't ... It definitely isn't ...

#### Notes:

In this context, the opposite of *must* is can't. The keys can't be in my coat because I wasn't wearing it. They **must be** in your bag.

It must be means 'I'm sure it is', it can't be means 'I'm sure it isn't'.

There is no important difference between *may*, could and *might* in this context.

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## Wish you were here

1 These are three postcards Conrad wrote from places in the photos on page 93. Complete them with one of the words below. Use each word only once.

		fascinatio		jams breathtaking overlooking to palm clear breaking paradise	ouristy
Dear Brad, This is a (1) c imagine the traffic (2) noise. I'll never complain a at home again – or the for really (3) hen (4) place but very (5) I've (6) American me to LA. Conrad	about ood! T e. It's the p met a	and the the traffic he food's quite a people are	Brad Goodwin 14 South Street Tingalpa Brisbane Queensland QLD 4173 Australia	Dear Paul, I'm writing to you from my hotel (7) the lake. The view is (8) In the distance I can see snowy mountain (9) and down by the hotel pool I can see a lovely girl – must go. Conrad	Paul Kelly 33b Container Street Sutherland NSW 1499 Australia
Anecdote	2 3 4	sent the port Write poster other place ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	tes do you think he estcards from? ards from two of the s Conrad visited. e asked the three he photograph to ey could spend a skend anywhere in Listen to their	Dear John, Yes, I'm in (10)! (11) beaches stretch as far as the eye can see and the water is (12) and warm. The only sound is the wind in the (13) trees and the waves (14) on the beach. The women are beautiful. I'm never coming home. Conrad	John Pizzigallo 40 Ryan Drive Sutherland NSW 1499 Australia
		questions. pause, gue would like Who w How w What w What w What w What e Who w What si Who w	the following Each time there is a ss where the person to go. ould your ideal compa ould you get around? yould you get around? yould you wear? yould you buy? yould you buy? yould you eat and drin ssential items would y ould you most like to ights would you want ould you send a posto yould spoil your perfe	hk? you take with you? meet there? to see? card to?	
	5	weekend. partner abo the list in 4 to talk abo	our own dream You are going to tell a out it. Choose from the things you want ut. Think about what y and the language eed.		Liz, Rick and Cristina
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would for	1	Look at these four question	is. <u>Und</u>	<u>erline</u> the auxiliary verbs.		
unreal situations		a) What did you do?		What will you do?		
		b) What are you doing?	a)	What would you do?		
	2	Add the following endings	four questions in 1.			
		when you finish univers	sity?	if you won the lottery?		
		yesterday?		at the moment?		
Language Reference p96	3	Which sentences refer to real situations?				
	4	Imagine you opened the do	he classroom and found you were in			
		• Siberia		<ul> <li>the Kalahari desert</li> </ul>		
		• Hawaii		• Cairo		
		<ul> <li>Scotland</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>the Amazon rainforest</li> </ul>		
		Work with a partner. Choos	se one j	place and discuss what it would be like.		
		<ul> <li>What would it look like buildings be like?</li> </ul>	e? Wha	at sounds and smells would there be? W		

- What would the weather be like? .
- What would the people look like? What would they be wearing?
- What would you eat and drink?
- What would you be able to do? What wouldn't you be able to do?
- Would you have a good time?



## Language reference: would for unreal conditionals

## would (not) + infinitive

The contracted forms are 'd and wouldn't. I'd wear a hat on the beach.

I wouldn't go to the Sahara without sun block.

Would you travel alone to Thailand or would you go with friends?

Would is the past tense of will, but this does not really explain how you use it.

## Imaginary or improbable situations

One of its main uses is to show that we are talking or writing about a situation that is imaginary or improbable. For example, imagine you opened the door of the classroom and found yourself in Iceland:

- It would be cold.
- Everybody would be wearing warm clothes.

What would the

- You'd be able to visit hot springs.
- Most people would speak good English.

#### Unreal conditionals

Would is often found in unreal conditional sentences. If I had the money I'd buy a new car.

You will find more about conditional sentences in units 13, 14 and 15.

Note: You will find more information on would for past habits in unit 5.

## Coast to coast

Read this account of Nick Campbell's motorbike trip across the US. What problems did he have?



NICK CAMPBELL sat at the side of the road and wondered what to 15 was for sale. 'Certainly not,' he replied, paid his bill and hit the road. do next. He looked at the second-hand Harley Davidson he'd bought from a back-street garage back home in Miami at the beginning of his trip six weeks before.

For years he had dreamt of crossing the United States from east to west by motorbike and he'd finally decided that it was now or 20 never. He'd given up his job, sold his car and set off for the journey of his dreams. He'd been lucky, or so he thought, to find this old Harley Davidson and had bought it for a very reasonable price – it 10 had cost him just \$600. But five kilometres from Atlanta, he had run out of luck. The motorbike had broken down.

He pushed the bike into town and found a garage. The young mechanic told him to leave the bike overnight and come back the next day. The following morning, to his surprise, the man asked if the bike

When he got to Kansas the old machine ran out of steam again. This time Nick thought about selling it and buying something more reliable, but decided to carry on. When the bike was going well, he loved it.

However, in Denver, Colorado the bike broke down yet again so he decided to take it to a garage and offer it for sale. The mechanic told him to come back in the morning.

The next day, to his amazement, the man offered him \$2,000. Realising the man must be soft in the head, but clearly not short of 25 money, Nick asked for \$3,000. The man agreed and they signed the papers. Then the mechanic started laughing. In fact it was several minutes before he could speak and when he could he said, 'That's the worst deal you'll ever make, boy.' He ...

(Adapted from The Independent on Sunday, 22 February 1998)

- 2 Discuss the following in small groups.
  - a) How much did Nick pay for the bike?
  - b) How much did he sell it for?
  - c) How much money did he make from the sale?
  - d) Guess why the mechanic said, 'That's the worst deal you'll ever make, boy.'
- 3 Now read the real ending to the story on page 142. Do you think the mechanic was fair? How do you think Nick felt?

Anecdote

4 Think back to a journey you have been on. You are going to tell a partner about it. Choose from the list the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and what language you will need.

- Where was the journey from and where was it to?
- What form of transport did you use?
- Who did you go with?
- How much time did you spend preparing for it?
- What did you take with you?
- What was the weather like?
- How long did it take you?
- How many times did you stop en route? What for?
- Did anything unusual or unexpected happen?
- Would you go on the same journey again? Why/Why not?
- 5 Tell your partner about the journey. Give as much detail as possible.

#### Past perfect

- Where was Nick Campbell at the beginning of the story? 1
- 2 What happened in Miami, Atlanta, Kansas and Denver?



- Discuss the following with a partner: 3
  - a) Which events are described using:
    - the past perfect
    - the past simple
  - b) How is the past perfect formed?
  - c) Which of these three explanations best describes how we use the past perfect?
    - to look back at a past event
    - to look back at a past event from another point in the past
    - to look back at a past event from another, more recent, point in the past
- 4 Complete each of the following sentences using the past perfect.
  - a) Michael was looking forward to the trip to Moscow because ...
  - b) He was late leaving his house because ...
  - c) That morning the traffic was very slow from his house to the airport because ...
  - d) At check-in he had to accept an aisle seat because ...
  - e) He bought three new ties in duty-free because ...
  - f) The departure was delayed because ...
  - g) The connecting flight in Copenhagen was cancelled because ...
- 5 Work with a partner. Write a similar set of sentences. Make sure each sentence uses a past perfect.

For example:

Vicky was looking forward to her dinner with Roy because ...

## Language reference: past perfect

You can use the past perfect to show clearly that one past event happened before another past event.

#### For example:

(1) I lent her £5. (2) She forgot about it.

→ She forgot that I had lent her £5.



The contracted forms I'd, he'd, etc and hadn't are used in speech and informal writing. The contraction of had is the same as the contraction of would ('d), but the context always makes it clear which one is intended.

#### Conjunctions

Conjunctions like after, when, by the time and because are often used to combine a past simple clause with a past perfect one.

The film had started when I arrived.

By the time the plane was airborne I'd forgotten England even existed.

He had a puncture because he hadn't checked his tyres. After we'd signed the contract we opened a bottle of champagne.

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## Tell us a story

- 1 Read this true story and explain the significance of the following words and phrases.
  - microwave b) anti-terrorist lock c) Swiss army knife d) Indian Ocean a)

photographer called John was flying first class from London to Nairobi in Kenya 5 came out of the cockpit to make some coffee in the microwave. He couldn't make the machine work, so he asked his fellow pilot to help him. As the other pilot left the cockpit, he 20 outside the cockpit. John remembered 10 let the heavy metal door close behind

him. The pilot started an urgent,

whispered discussion with his colleague. The two pilots had locked themselves out of their cockpit and, as 25 minutes when one of the co-pilots 15 they told the photographer (who promised not to tell the other passengers) the door was fitted with an anti-terrorist lock. This meant that that he had put his Swiss army knife in his hand luggage. However, he

couldn't remember where he had put his hand luggage and spent five opening and closing overhead lockers until he found it. John and the pilots attacked the door with the knife, the lock started to come loose and when they broke into not even the pilots could open it from 30 the cockpit, the plane was cruising eastwards over the Indian Ocean.

(Adapted from Focus January 1999)

Work in teams. Add adverbs from the three boxes below to the story. Add as many as 2 you can.



- 3 Discuss the following with your partner.
  - a) Do you think pilots often make this kind of mistake?
  - b) What do you think is the safest way to travel?
  - c) Do you prefer to travel by air, by road, by rail, or by sea? Why?
- 4 Work in groups and write a story.
  - a) Choose one of the story 'skeletons' on the right or invent one of your own.
  - b) Discuss each sentence and add as many details as you can think of. For example:

Who were the people? What were they like? Where did they go on holiday?

- c) Write the story and include the following:
  - at least two adverbs of attitude from box A
  - at least one adverb of manner from box B
  - at least three adverbs of time from box C
  - at least three past perfect sentences from box D below

#### D past perfect sentences

They hadn't gone far when the car broke down. She had never met anybody like him before. By the time the police arrived everybody had calmed down. It was the most breathtaking view they had ever seen. He had never felt like this before. When they looked behind them they saw the damage they had done.

5 Read each other's stories and vote for the best one.

## STORY SKELETON

A man went abroad on holiday. He met a woman and they fell in love. He asked her to marry him. The man went home.

Three friends went on holiday in a car. They camped. Things went wrong. They got home safely.

# 12 Basics



1 Work with a partner. Read through the statements below and guess whether they are true or false for your partner.

Your partner:

- has eaten at a restaurant in the last week.
- has a healthy diet.
- drinks a lot of coffee.
- always has wine with meals.

- is a good cook.
- eats a big breakfast.
- often eats fast food.
- usually eats lunch alone.
- 2 Ask your partner questions to find out whether you were correct. How many did you guess right? Did you find out anything surprising?

## First date

- 1 What sort of things can go wrong on a first date?
- 2 42 Listen to the first part of the conversation. How do you think the two people feel?
- 3 43 Listen to the next part of the conversation and find out what went wrong.
- 4 Listen to the whole conversation again and complete the sentences with an appropriate quantifier.
  - a) Would you like \_\_\_\_\_ wine?
  - b) Two glasses of red wine, please, and could we have \_\_\_\_\_ olives with that?
  - c) Oh, dear, I didn't know you were vegetarian. I don't think there are \_ vegetarian dishes on the menu.
  - d) Yes, there are. Look, there are \_ \_\_\_\_ of things.
  - e) And could we have \_\_\_\_\_ French bread and a bottle of mineral water, please?
  - f) Oh dear, did it go on your skirt? Just \_\_\_\_\_\_. It's OK.
  - g) Waiter, waiter! Can you bring a cloth? I've spilt \_\_\_\_\_\_ wine.
  - h) It's OK, honestly. Hardly \_\_\_\_\_\_ of it went on my skirt. Just a drop.



**Quantity 1** Put the quantifiers from 4 on page 100 into these three categories:

countable nouns	uncountable	both countable & uncountable
a few	a little	some

**2** Now add these quantifiers to the categories in **1**.

a lot of not much several very few not many a couple of lots of very little 3 In each of the following sentences there are two words that are possible and one that isn't. Cross out the incorrect word in each sentence. a) There wasn't much/some/any salt in her omelette. b) There was some/a bit of/a few ham in her vegetarian salad. A few/Several/A little of his chips were burnt. c) d) There were hardly any/little/not many desserts they liked on the menu. e) There were only a couple of/a little/a few flavours of ice-cream to choose from. There were no/very few/any taxis outside when they left the restaurant. f) g) He had never had some/any/so many problems in this restaurant before. h) They had anything/hardly anything/nothing in common. Countable & Test your countables and uncountables. Classify these words: 1 uncountable car mobile phone computer job meat love travel pasta music fridge nouns passport washing machine money humour rice nicotine oxygen 2 Choose words from 1 to complete the sentences below. Compare with a partner. I could live without ... I couldn't live without ... I could live without a ... I couldn't live without a ... 3 Complete these grammar rules and give examples. a) You can use numbers (one, two, three, etc) only with \_\_\_\_\_ nouns. b) \_\_\_\_\_ nouns have a singular and a plural form. \_\_\_\_ nouns only have one form (usually – but not always – singular). c) Decide whether the following nouns are countable, uncountable, or both (countable/ 4 uncountable). There are three of each type. bread Coca-Cola food glass sandwich lamb salt pea oyster 5 Complete these sentences with three of the countable/uncountable nouns from 4. Use each noun twice, once as countable and once as uncountable. a) The \_ are in the cupboard over the sink. is sold all over the world. b) c) In spring there are \_\_\_\_\_ in all the fields around here. d) Would you like another slice of \_\_\_\_\_? e) I'm thirsty – I think I'll have a \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the hardest materials there is. f) Are the following nouns countable or uncountable? people news jeans scissors Language Reference p102 7 Choose the correct words, plural or singular, in these sentences. a) I believe that most people is/are basically good. b) The news was/were on when I got home.

- c) Those/That jeans really look/looks good on you.
- d) If you're looking for the scissors, they're/it's in the kitchen.

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## Language reference: countable & uncountable nouns

Nouns are countable (C), uncountable (U) or both (C/U).

## Countable nouns

Countable nouns have a singular and a plural form, and you can use numbers with them. one idea  $\rightarrow$  two ideas

one table  $\rightarrow$  two tables one man  $\rightarrow$  two men You can use *definite* and *indefinite* articles with them: *the idea*, *the ideas*, *an idea*.

## **Uncountable nouns**

Uncountable nouns have only one form. Most of the time, this is singular. *Knowledge is power.* (Popular saying) *Beauty is Truth.* (John Keats) *When hunger knocks at the door, love flies out of the window.* (Proverb) *Food comes first – morals later.* (Bertolt Brecht) You cannot use uncountable nouns with numbers and you can rarely use them with the indefinite article.

A few uncountable nouns only have a plural form. These clothes are too small for me. My trousers need dry-cleaning. My jeans are ripped. Other plural uncountables include shorts, knickers, sunglasses, scissors, etc.

## Nouns which are both countable & uncountable

Many nouns have more than one meaning. They can be countable with one meaning and uncountable with another. *Glass is a useful material.* (U) (glass as a material) *Can I have a clean glass?* (C) (an individual object)

### Partitives

Partitives are ways of counting uncountables. an item of clothing a piece of information a carton of milk Sometimes the partitive can be missed out. Can I have a coffee? (= a cup of coffee) Would you like a Coke? (= a glass, can or bottle of Coke)

## Oddities

There are some oddities. Two of the most important are:

- 1 people (C) singular form/grammatically plural: People are strange.
- 2 news (U) plural form/grammatically singular: Hurry up: the news is on.

## Quantifiers

Quantifiers are ways of talking about quantity other than by using exact numbers. You can use some with countable nouns, some with uncountable nouns and some with both.

Quantifiers for countable nouns include a few and many: a few tables

How many men?

Quantifiers for uncountables include a little and much. A little learning is a dang'rous thing. (Alexander Pope) How much money?

You can use a lot and some with both countables and uncountables.

a lot of/some ice-cream a lot of/some chips

Yes, thanks.

'Non,' please.

No, that's everything.

Yes, under 'Clinton'.

Just some olive oil, please.

A bottle of house red, please.

Over here.

## Eating out

- 1 Match these waiter/waitress questions with an appropriate response.
  - a) Who's the fish?
  - b) And to drink?
  - c) Did you have a reservation?
  - d) Is everything OK?
  - e) Anything else?
  - f) Smoking or non-smoking?
  - g) Would you like dressing on that?
  - What would you say? Choose the appropriate word.
    - a) You're at the bar and you want to buy somebody a drink ... 'What can I drink/get/pay you?'
    - b) The waiter is taking the orders and you don't want a first course ... 'Anything/Nothing/No to start with, thanks.'
  - c) Somebody is offering you some more wine and you don't want very much ... 'Just a **bit/drop/small**, thanks.'
  - d) The waiter is offering you food and you don't want any more ... 'I'm all right/very well /not interested, thanks.'
  - e) There's a phone call for you just as the food arrives. You want your friends to start eating ...

'Don't expect/wait for/stop me.'



3 Read this conversation in a restaurant. What do you notice about it?



- 4 Work in groups of three. Imagine the conversation is taking place in an expensive restaurant. In groups of three:
  - a) Rewrite the conversation with more appropriate language.
  - b) Insert your own section where something terrible/funny/embarrassing happens.
  - c) Practise the conversation.
  - d) Perform your revised version for the rest of the class.

#### Anecdote

- 5 Think back to a restaurant where you have spent an enjoyable (or unenjoyable!) evening. You are going to tell a partner about it. Choose from the list the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and what language you will need.
  - Where was the restaurant?
  - What was it like?
  - □ Was it full or empty when you walked in?
  - And when you left?
  - What sort of people were eating there?
  - Was it noisy or quiet?
  - Who were you with?
  - What did you have to eat?
  - What did you have to drink?

- Did you have to wait a long time for your food?
- Was the waiter or waitress helpful?
- Did you have a dessert?
- Did you enjoy your meal?
- □ Were there any problems?
- How long did you spend in the restaurant?
- Was the meal expensive?
  - Who paid?
  - Did you leave a tip?
- 6 Tell your partner about the restaurant. Give as much detail as possible.

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## What's for dinner?

1 Look at the photograph. How many items of food can you name?



2 Look at the following items of fresh food. Look up any words you don't know in your dictionary. Explain the use of the colours.

cauliflower courgettes aubergines bacon beans celery cod grapefruit lettuces cucumbers figs garlic hake leeks mushrooms onions melons olives limes lobster mussels raspberries oranges peaches peppers plums prawns sardines spinach strawberries tomatoes salmon sausages veal trout tuna turkey

Underline the stressed syllable in each of the words with more than one syllable.

- **3** Ask questions to find out which type of food your partner prefers.
- **4** Work in small groups. Choose one of the following situations and design a suitable meal. The meal should consist of at least three courses.
  - a) For a friend of yours and her new boyfriend. The boyfriend is vegetarian.
  - b) For a romantic evening.
  - c) For a hot summer's day.
  - d) For a friend who's on a diet.
  - e) For a child's sixth birthday party.

When you have finished, read out your menu to the rest of the class and ask them to guess which situation you chose.

## Incredible edibles

 Here are some words to describe the taste or texture of things you eat:

> crunchy spicy tasty crisp salty bland sweet bitter chewy greasy creamy

Use your dictionary if necessary and use the words in the box above to describe the taste or textures of the different kinds of food below.

raw carrots salted peanuts plain white rice creme caramel seafood plain chocolate milk chocolate pizza cheap steak fresh bread curry apples your mother's cooking tinned anchovies English food strong coffee fried eggs



**2** These are some of the more unusual things people eat around the world. What do you imagine they taste like?



- **3 •••** 44 Listen to an interview with somebody who has eaten lots of strange things around the world. Write down the words that are used to describe the taste of each dish.
- **4** Would you consider eating any of the dishes mentioned? What is the strangest thing you have ever eaten? Tell the rest of the class.

Basics UNIT 12 105

## Bedtime

1 A survey into people's sleep habits was carried out, based on the questions below. Answer the questions and then compare your answers with a partner.



**2** Find expressions in the sleep survey report on page 107 which match to the figures below.

For example: 33% – one in three

- a) 5–15% (line 14)
- b) 33% (line 21)
- c) 60–80% (line 27)
- d) 51–60% (line 30)
- e) 80–99% (lines 34 and 52)
- f) 40-49% (line 46)
- **3** What facts do the figures relate to?

SLEEP SURVEY REPORT

ccording to recent medical research, sleeping more than nine hours or less

- s than six hours a night can shorten your life expectancy. Those who are likely to live longest are people who regularly get between seven
- and eight hours a night. A new survey of 1,000 adults conducted by the Better Sleep Council (BSC) found that few people understand
- <sup>15</sup> the important role sleep plays in normal daily brain functions and many people actually reduce their brain power by getting too little <sup>20</sup> sleep.

One in three adults admit that they do not get enough sleep, and lack of sleep is

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leaving millions of people

- <sup>25</sup> without the energy to work as hard as they should. Although a large number of people say that they need to be mentally alert in their
- <sup>30</sup> work, over half of the people interviewed say that they sleep just under seven hours a night during the week.
   On the other hand, most of
- <sup>35</sup> the people interviewed say that they sleep more than seven hours a night at the weekend. This suggests that a significant number of
- <sup>40</sup> people try to catch up on their sleep at the weekend instead of getting enough sleep during the week, when they most need it.
- 45 According to this survey, nearly half of the population

believe that the brain rests when the body sleeps. In fact, the opposite is true.

- Sleep allows the brain to go to work, filing and storing the day's events. 'Most people incorrectly think the brain is resting or
- ss recuperating during sleep. Actually, some parts of the brain are more active when you're asleep,' confirms Dr Mark Mahowald, director of
- the Minnesota Regional Sleep Disorders Center. 'Your brain is like a cluttered desktop at the end of the day. At night, when you're
- asleep and no more
  information can be put on
  the desk, or in your brain,
  your brain can then file away
  the information.' •

#### Report writing

1 Work with a partner. Write five questions to ask people about their sleep habits using the words and expressions in the box.

have nightmares talk in your sleep dream snore sleepwalk sleep on your back, on your side or on your front have a nap alarm clock feel sleepy suffer from insomnia fall asleep while travelling vawn fall asleep in front of the television early bird night owl go without sleep in a double bed have a lie-in at the weekend

#### LANGUAGE TOOLBOX

According to recent medical research/a recent survey ... A new survey of ... conducted by ... found that ... On the other hand ... This suggests that a significant number ... In fact ... Actually ...

- Now ask other students in the class all five questions and write down their answers.
- 3 Write sentences reporting the results of your survey. Use expressions from the language toolbox to help you.


# Communication

45 Listen and complete these useful numbers and addresses. 1

wwwuk	
cnn	
20 7557	
www	
sportsco	com
/recreation	
ebsite: www	
4321	
20 7557 www sportsco / recreation ebsite: www	201

Practise saying the numbers and addresses as fast as you can.

How many phone/fax numbers or e-mail/website addresses do you know by heart? Take a few moments to note some of them down. Think of your family, friends, work, etc.

Dictate some of these numbers or addresses to your partner. Then ask each other questions to find out as much as you can about them.

Whose ...? Who ...? What ...? Where ...? How often ...? When ... last ...?

# After the beep ...

1 Look at this photo of Richard. Imagine what he's like.

- How old is he?
- interests? friends?
- Is he married? girlfriend?
- job?
- **2 1** 46 Listen and note down the six messages on Richard's answering machine. What clues do you hear about his work, friends and lifestyle?

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'Hello... This is the police. If you are being attacked from behind by a mad axe-murderer, press "One" ....'

#### Telephone language

1 Richard made two calls after picking up his messages. Read the conversations and complete them with the expressions in the box. One of the expressions in each set of three is wrong. Choose the most appropriate expression from the other two.

- a) Hello./Good morning./Speak!
- b) Is (...) there?/I'd like to speak to (...) please./Is there (...)?
- c) Are you (...)?/Is that (...)?/Who's calling, please?
- d) Hold on, please, I'll try to put you through./Hang on, I'll go and get her./ One instant.
- e) I am (...)./It's me./This is (...) here.
- f) What are you up to later?/What do you do later?/ Are you available later on today?
- g) I'll look forward to seeing you tomorrow./To tomorrow./See you tomorrow.

Phone con	versation 1	Phone converse	ation 2
Jane:	a) <u>Hello.</u>	Receptionist:	a) Good morning. South-Western Bank.
Richard:	Oh, hi. b)		Can I help you?
Jane:	c)	Richard:	Yes, b)
Richard:	Yes, hello, Jane. How are you?	Receptionist:	c)
Jane:	Fine, thanks. d)	Richard:	My name's Richard Swainston.
	Less	Receptionist:	OK, d)
Maggie:	Hello,		
Richard:	Hi! e)		Oh, Mr Swainston, I'm afraid she's on the
Maggie:	You got my message then. I thought you'd		other line. Would you like to hold?
	forgotten about me.	Richard:	Yes, thank you.
Richard:	Don't be silly. Of course I haven't forgotten you.		
	I've just been a bit busy, that's all.	Alison:	Alison Moore.
Maggie:	Busy playing computer games, I suppose.	Richard:	Oh, hello. e)
Richard:	No, not all the time. Anyway, how are you?	Alison:	Oh, yes. Mr Swainston, Thank you for
Maggie:	Not too bad. A bit tired. Too much work as		getting back to me so promptly. There
	usual. Which reminds me, have you heard		seems to be a problem with your account.
	anything from the travel agent's?	Richard:	Oh, dear. What sort of problem?
Richard:	Oh, yes. They've got the tickets.	Alison:	Well, you're over your overdraft limit by
Maggie:	Great! I really need this holiday.		more than £200. You really need to come
Richard:	Listen, I can't chat now, but f)		to the bank to discuss it. f)
Maggie:	I've got to work this evening, but I thought we	Richard:	I'm afraid I'm rather tied up today, Would
	could go to the cinema tomorrow.		tomorrow be convenient for you?
Richard:	OK, I'll come round at about seven.	Alison:	Yes, that's fine. Ten thirty?
Maggie:	g)	Richard:	Yes, ten thirty's fine for me.
Richard:	Bye.	Alison:	Well, thank you for ringing, g)
		Richard:	Goodbye.

#### **2 Listen** to the telephone conversations and check.



'Just hang on a sec, please.'

- **3** Work with a partner. Refer to the answering machine messages on page 108. Write down and practise the following telephone conversations:
  - Richard phones his friend Jeff and arranges to meet him this evening.
  - Richard phones Smiths Insurance and arranges a meeting with Ian Watson.
- **4** Image 48 After his meeting with Alison Moore at the bank, Richard did what any independent young person would do. He phoned his mother. Listen to the conversation once and decide whether the following sentences are true or false:
  - a) When Richard phones his mother, she tells him that she's feeling lonely because her husband's out playing golf.
  - b) Richard has had money problems before.
  - c) Mrs Swainston thinks that Richard is careful with his money.
  - d) Richard's sister had an expensive wedding.
  - e) Richard asks his mother to give him some money so that he can get married.
  - f) Mrs Swainston is unhappy with the way Richard manages his money.
  - g) Mrs Swainston agrees to lend him £300, but only if he promises to get married.
  - h) Richard often phones his mother just for a chat.
- **5** What does this phone call tell us about the relationship between Richard and his mother? Do you ever have similar conversations with your parents?

#### Close up

Real conditionals

- 1 Look at tapescript 48. Listen again and complete these sentences.
  - a) Well, of course it is. What do you expect if \_\_\_\_\_
  - b) Look, Mum, if you can just help me out this time, \_\_\_\_\_
  - c) I'll do it this time, but this really is the last time. If you get yourself into trouble again \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Think of different ways Mrs Swainston might have completed this sentence:

Oh, Richard, have you got yourself into debt again? Because if you have,

- a) don't ...
- b) I'm not going to ...
- c) you can ...
- d) I won't ...
- e) ...
- 3 Here are some sentences said by a parent. Match clauses from Column A with clauses from Column B and add *if* to make realistic sentences.

For example:

Take a front door key if you're going to stay out late.

- Α
- a) take a front door key
- b) you're going to listen to that awful music
- c) you don't put your toys away
- d) you hurt yourself
- e) you'll be late for school
- f) you've finished your dinner
- g) you haven't finished your homework
- h) you're going to be silly
- i) I might buy you an ice-cream
- j) you're going to phone a friend



'Bye, darling – don't forget to write – or phone us on: 01273 516819, or fax us on: 01273 510044, or e-mail on: easycum@fairways.co.uk or visit our website on: www.fairways.co.uk...'

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- 1 I'll give them all away
- 2 you can leave the table
- 3 you can't play computer games
- 4 you're going to stay out late
- 5 you're good
- 6 don't come crying to me
- 7 keep it short
- 8 shut your bedroom door
- 9 I'm not playing
- 10 you don't hurry up

What age (0-18) do you think the child would be for the parent to say these things?

- Choose five of the sentences from 3 and change *if* to *unless*. What other changes do you have to make?
- **5** Are you superstitious? Explain any superstitions that exist in your country.

For example: If you touch wood it protects you against bad luck.

- **6** Look at the following English sayings. Work in groups and decide what you think they mean. Write sentences explaining the sayings using *if*. Do you have an equivalent saying in your language?
  - a) Easy come, easy go.
  - b) You snooze, you lose.
  - c) No pain, no gain.
  - d) It's no use crying over spilt milk.
- f) Many hands make light work.
- g) An apple a day keeps the doctor away.
- h) Strike while the iron is hot.
- i) Too many cooks spoil the broth.
- e) When the cat's away, the mice will play. j) Absence makes the heart grow fonder.

## Language reference: real conditionals

Real conditionals talk about real or possible situations, usually in the present or the future. They generally have two clauses: an *if clause* and a *main clause*.

If you're going to stay out late,	take a front door key.
If you don't put your toys away,	I'll give them all away.
n you don't put your toys away,	The give them an away.
The 'if' clause	The main clause
In most real conditionals, you use the present in the <i>if</i> clause, even when you are talking about the future. Present simple	In the main clause, the most common structure is the present simple. Some modal auxiliaries (especially <i>will, can, must</i> and <i>may</i> are also common, and so is the imperative.
If you <b>arrive</b> early, wait for me in the station café.	If he finds out the truth, • it's all over for me and you.
Present continuous If you're going to Greece for your holidays, I can recommend a great hotel.	<ul> <li> we'll be in big trouble.</li> <li> you can forget about our holiday in Jamaica.</li> <li> deny everything!</li> </ul>
Present perfect If you haven't finished by ten, you'll miss the post.	The <i>if</i> clause and the main clause can often go in either order. <i>If I feel like going out, I'll give you a call.</i>
You don't always have to use the present simple, continuous or perfect. Look at the first example in this Language reference section. It uses going to. You can also use can and can't: If you <b>can't finish</b> the exercise, ask the teacher for help.	I'll give you a call if I feel like going out. Use a comma after the <i>if</i> clause in the first type of sentence. You will find information about unreal conditionals in units 14 and 15.
Occasionally you can use the past tense, but only when you are talking about something you know or you believe really happened: If it rained, we went to school by bus.	
If you <b>didn't call</b> me, who did? There are alternatives to <i>if</i> . Unless is the most important one. It means <i>if</i> + not. There is no important difference between Unless you agree and If you don't agree	If you have studied the 'first conditional' ( <i>if</i> + present simple + <i>will</i> ) or the zero conditional ( <i>if</i> + present simple + present simple), you already know a lot about this type of sentence. The first and zero conditionals are common examples of real conditionals.

 A stereotype is a fixed general image or set of characteristics that a lot of people believe represent a particular type of person or thing. Accents can reinforce a negative stereotype.

2 If someone is stereotyped as something, people form a fixed general idea or image of them, so that it is assumed that they will behave in a particular way. You are likely to find many people who have stereotyped ideas about women.

(Collins Cobuild English Dictionary)

#### Stereotypes

1 According to an article in the *Daily Mail*, these are some of the things you'll never hear men say:

- Let's ask that woman for directions.
- Hi, Mum, I just rang for a chat.
- Where's the toilet cleaner?

And these are some of the things you'll never hear women say:

- Would you please stop sending me flowers? It's embarrassing.
- Do you think I'd look better if I put on a few kilos?
- I've just killed that enormous spider in the bath.

Do you agree?

2 Which category do you think the Daily Mail put the following statements in?

a)	Of course I'd love to have dinner with your sister.	
	The only thing on telly tonight is football.	
b)	Shall I check the tyre pressures when I go to the petrol station?	b, d, i, j
c)	Let's switch off the TV, I want to talk about our relationship.	hear a woman say:
d)	Thanks so much for ironing my shirt.	Things you'll never
e)	Don't worry, I'll clean that up.	- 19 1- 1- 1- 1-
f)	Do you think my bottom looks fat in these trousers?	a, c, e, f, g, h
g)	I saw this gorgeous suit in that new shop in town.	pear a man say:
	The jacket's a great shape and it wasn't expensive.	Things you'll never
h)	You drive, darling, you're so much better than me.	Daily Mail:
i)	Look, I'm sick of talking about our relationship, OK?	according to the
j)	But I just don't need another pair of shoes.	SIONSUV

**3** What kinds of stereotypes of men and women could you make from the comments in 1 and 2? If you are a woman, complete the sentences in Column A. If you are a man, complete the sentences in Column B.

В
Women are
Woman like
Women never
Women are good at
Women aren't very good at
The best thing about being a woman is
The worst thing about being a woman is

Compare your sentences.

4 Complete these expressions using one verb for all the expressions in Column A and one verb for all the expressions in Column B.

A	В
<ul> <li> the shopping</li> <li> the cooking</li> <li> the washing-up</li> <li> the odd jobs around the house</li> <li> most of the driving</li> <li> the washing</li> <li> the ironing</li> <li> the family accounts</li> <li> the cleaning</li> <li> the vacuuming</li> </ul>	<ul> <li> the beds</li> <li> dinner when there are guests</li> <li> the important decisions</li> <li> an effort to keep in touch with family and friends</li> <li> arrangements for baby-sitters</li> <li> family appointments to see doctors, dentists or teachers</li> <li> the biggest mess in the kitchen</li> <li> the most noise</li> <li> their mind up quickest</li> <li> the longest phone calls</li> </ul>
	Beer Priorie Lane



5 Think about your own family. Who makes/does the things in 4?

#### For example:

*My* mother does the shopping and cooking, but we take it in turns to do the washing-up. We make all the important decisions together.

- **6** Discuss the following questions:
  - What things have changed in your lifetime for the family?/ for women?/for men?
  - Do you think women should have the same rights as men?
  - Do you think women have the same rights as men in your country?
  - Do you think women are in a better position now than women of your grandmother's generation were?
  - Do you think women are happier now than women of your grandmother's generation were?

country	should have all the same rights as men	do have the same rights as men	are in a better position than grandmother's generation	are happier than grandmother's generation	
Australia	77	25	95	38	
Belgium	70	12	90	41	
Britain	73	9	93	42	
Canada	70	8	93	33	
Germany	70	7	94	29	
Japan	21	0	96	82	
Mexico*	81	18	69	53	
Netherlands	80	20	92	25	
South Africa*	63	23	77	54	
Switzerland	39	14	92	27	
United States	62	8	93	28	

Compare your answers with the results of the poll carried out by *The Economist*, based on interviews with more than 3,000 women.

# What do men & women really think?

 Work with a partner of the opposite sex if possible. Answer the questionnaire for yourself and then guess the answers for your partner.



**2** Here is a summary of some of the more interesting findings to come out of the survey. Complete the gaps with 'men' or 'women' as you think appropriate.

# surveyHIGHLIGHTS

ON PHONING	The majority of both men and women want to be phoned within three days. However, 35% of (1) said they would expect to be phoned the next day, while only 19% of (2) gave this answer.
ON DATES	On average, (3) are prepared to wait for their date longer than (4) Eighteen per cent of (5) said that they would only wait for five minutes, whereas 67% of (6) would be prepared to wait half an hour or more.
ON CHILDCARE	<ul> <li>(7) are far more in favour of men staying at home to look after the children than</li> <li>(8) While 65% of (9) said it was fine, only 30% of (10)</li> <li>agreed. The majority of (11) do not feel that it is appropriate for the man to stay at home with the children.</li> </ul>
ON BIRTHDAYS	The results of the survey suggest that (12) attach greater importance to birthdays than (13): 29% said they would be angry and upset if their partner forgot their birthday.
ON ATTRACTION	Three out of four (14) have bought new clothes to attract a member of the opposite sex compared with only one in five (15) Similarly, while just under half of the (16) interviewed have changed their hair or dieted, only one in ten (17) admitted to doing the same. However, a significant number of both men and women admitted lying about their age, with the important difference that (18) tended to say they were older while (19) were more likely to knock a few years off their age.
ON MARRIAGE	The results of the survey show that (20) are more in favour of marriage than (21) Sixty-one per cent of (22) didn't think much of this institution whereas four out of five (23) interviewed gave a resounding thumbs-up to marriage as the ideal romantic relationship.
	ANSWERS ON PAGE 141.

**3** Would the results of the survey have been different in your country?

Report writing Work in groups and complete the following tasks:

- **1** Write a multiple choice questionnaire to find out about people's attitudes to one of the following:
  - mobile phones
  - computers
  - housework
  - marriage

**2** Do the questionnaire in class and collate the results.

**3** Write a report to summarise your findings. Use expressions from the survey highlights above.

# Style

1 Match the verbs below to the noun phrases from the box to describe the sort of things people do before they leave the house in the morning.

have get make do read put



- a shower coffee my homework the radio on the mail dressed breakfast my make-up on the children ready the washing-up the bed the TV on the paper a cup of tea
- 2 Think about your own morning routine from the moment you get out of bed to the moment you leave the house.
  - What do you do? What order do you do things in?
  - How long does each activity usually take you? ٠

Compare routines with a partner. What are the differences?

3 Read through these two morning routines. Choose the most appropriate verb.

#### PERSON 1

My alarm goes off early and it takes me ten minutes to eat my breakfast,
drink two cups of coffee, have a shower, pack my bag and read the post
and thirty minutes to (1) get dressed/wear. I start thinking about what
I'm going to (2) get dressed/wear while I have my breakfast. After a
shower, I (3) put on/wear my underwear and then I look in my wardrobe
and choose a pair of trousers. If they still (4) fit/look me I put them on. If
they feel a bit tight around the waist I (5) try them on/take them off
and spend a few minutes feeling guilty about all those chocolates I had
last night. Then, I choose a looser pair of trousers and think about a top
that (6) goes with/fits it. I usually (7) have on/try on two or three tops
before I find one that (8) looks/wears right and (9) feels/fits
comfortable. Finding a pair of socks usually takes about five minutes – I
can find two dozen odd pairs, but none that (10) look/match. By now, I'm
late.

#### PERSON 2

I get up as late as I possibly can and jump in and
out of the shower. I (1) put on/fit the trousers I
(2) had on/got dressed yesterday and take a
shirt out of the wardrobe – it doesn't matter
which one as long as it's ironed. I find the jacket
that (3) fits/goes with the trousers, look down
and check that my socks (4) match/feel and
that's it. Nearly all my clothes are either green or
brown because I've been told that they are the
only colours that (5) suit/match me. So I never
really have to worry about what I (6) look like/go
with. The important thing is to make sure I have
enough time to enjoy my favourite drink of the
day: that first cup of coffee



Do you think these are descriptions of a man or a woman? Do the descriptions fit anybody you know?

4 On a piece of paper write a short account of how you get ready in the morning. Don't write your name on it. When you've finished, fold the piece of paper and give it to your teacher. Then take another student's piece of paper and guess who it belongs to.

5 Work with a partner. Describe how you would get ready for some of the following:

- a job interview
- a first date an evening at the theatre
- a wedding
- a long flight
- a day on the beach
- Saturday night out with your friends a Sunday afternoon stroll around town

# Suits you

- 1 Which of the sentences below describes your style best? Compare with a partner.
  - Comfortable. I like baggy trousers, loose-fitting tops and trainers.
  - Up-to-date but original.
  - I have to be smart for work, but I wear casual clothes at the weekend.
  - I've been wearing the same clothes for ten years. I have no idea what's in fashion and I don't care.
  - The only way I could possibly describe my style is scruffy. I wear jeans, sweatshirts and trainers, and I never manage to look neat and tidy.
  - My style would be different if I had more money. I'd buy designer labels, especially Gucci and Versace. I love dressing up in glamorous outfits.
  - Something else:
- **2** If 49 You are going to listen to some people talking about their favourite clothes. Number the pictures below in the order in which you hear about them. Not all of the clothes are mentioned.



3 Which of the items do you think is the ugliest? Which ones do you like?

# Close up

For example:

Adjective 1 Put these words in the correct order to describe clothes.

order

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a polo-neck sweater white - a white polo-neck sweater

- a) T-shirt an short-sleeved old
- d) sweater a v-neck striped
- b) green a cardigan plain
- e) silk flowery waistcoat a
- c) beautiful scarf a cashmere

Make five new combinations of adjectives and nouns.

2 a) Put the adjectives in the box into these five categories: age; material; pattern; opinion; style.

old stripy beautiful wool leather second-hand horrible check short-sleeved new full-length fabulous plain Armani silk

b) In most languages, when we use two or three adjectives to describe a noun there are rules about the order of the adjectives.

Put the categories in the correct order for English. Is it the same in your language?

**3** Write down different combinations of clothing under the following headings: I've got this in my wardrobe; I wouldn't be seen dead in this.

For example:

I've got this in my wardrobe:	l wouldn't be seen dead in this!
baggy black cord trousers	a second-hand nylon shirt
a check suit	green leather trousers

Work with a partner. Take turns to read out one of your items, but don't say which heading you wrote it under. Your partner has to guess which heading each item belongs to.

Anecdote

4 Think of a favourite item of clothes or accessory which you have bought. You are going to tell your partner about it. Choose from the list the things you want to talk about. Think about what you will say and the language you will need.

- What is it?
- What does it look like?
- What does it feel like?
- How long have you had it?
- Which shop did you buy it in?
- □ Who was with you when you bought it?
- □ Was it very expensive?
- Do you think it was worth the money?
- □ How often do you wear/use it?
- Do you have any special memories associated with it?
- Have you ever lent it to someone?
- □ How would you feel if you lost it?
- □ What do you like best about it?
- **5** Tell your partner about the item of clothing or accessory.



#### Idioms

- 1 Write down the names of some clothes that have:
  - a) zips
  - b) buttons
  - c) hems
  - d) turn-ups
  - e) buckles
  - f) sleeves
  - g) heels

For example: cuffs - shirt, jacket, coat, sweater

**2** Test your idioms. Choose the correct word in the expressions below and say what you think the expressions mean.

- a) Don't get shirty with/into/across me, I was only trying to help.
- b) I'm sorry, I didn't mean to offend you. It was just an **up/off/around** the cuff remark.
- c) If you want to pass that exam, you'll have to buckle **over/down/round** to work very soon.
- d) It's so obvious when Claire's in love she wears her heart under/by/on her sleeve.
- e) We're saving up to go on holiday so we'll have to **tighten/loosen/forget** our belts for a while.
- f) I haven't seen Bill around for a while do you think he's been wearing/given/missing the boot?
- g) Sorry I'm late. Mike **collared/belted/zipped** me after work and I couldn't get away.
- h) I'm afraid I've run out of ideas let's ask John. He's usually got something beside/ between/up his sleeve.
- 3 Match the expressions in 2 to these definitions:
  - 1 to behave in a way that makes your feelings obvious
  - 2 to spend less money
  - 3 to stop somebody and make them listen to you
  - 4 to have an idea or a plan
  - 5 to say something without thinking about it first
  - 6 to get rid of somebody
  - 7 to start working seriously
  - 8 to behave in a bad-tempered and rude way
- **4** Think of something that happened to you recently. Use one of the expressions in 2 and tell your partner about it.

# Language reference: adjective order

In most languages, when you use two or three adjectives to describe a noun, there are rules about the order of the adjectives. In English this is the order:

Opinion	→	Age	→	ADJECTIVES Pattern & colour →	Material	→	Style	→	NOUN
horrible,	second-hand, old,		nd,	stripy,	cotton,	sh	ort-sleeve	d,	shirt.
fabulous,				leopard-print,	fake fur,	1	full-length		coat.
beautiful,		new,		blue,	silk,		Armani,		suit.



# **First impressions**

- 1 Match words from Column A and Column B according to the underlined sounds.
  - A
  - a) overw<u>eig</u>ht
  - b) broad shoulders
  - a b<u>ear</u>d c)
  - d) stubble
  - e) a scar
  - f) b<u>aggy</u> trousers

a wide mouth

- g) slim b<u>uil</u>d
- h) suit

i)

- В
- 1 a pierced nose 2 smart
- 3 a thick neck
- 4 eyebrows
- 5 a relaxed style
- 6 bald
- 7 scruffy
- 8 a shaved head
- 9 high-heeled boots
- 2 Which of these adjectives can you use with *hair, eyes* or *skin*?

blue	deep-set	brown	clear	fair	pale	dark	tanned

3 Work with a partner. Use the words in 1 and 2 to describe the people below.



- **4** If you met the people in the photo in 3 for the first time, what would be the first thing you would notice about each of them?
- **5** Can you tell anything about a person from a first impression? Are your first impressions usually right?
- 6 Read the description below and match it to one of the people in 3.

Say you're a girl. Say you're a girl and you're at a party, or in a pub, or in a club. Say you're a girl and you're at a party, or in a pub, or in a club, and I come up to you.

5 Say you've never set eyes on me before.

Some things you'll know immediately. You'll see that I'm just under six feet tall and of average build. If we shake hands, you'll notice that my grip is strong and my fingernails clean. You'll see that I have brown eyes which <sup>10</sup> match my brown hair. And you'll see that I have a scar across the centre of my left eyebrow. You'll guess that I'm somewhere between twenty-five and thirty years old.

You'll ask me what I do for a living and I'll tell you that I'm an artist, which is true, and that I make a living <sup>15</sup> from it, which isn't. I won't tell you that I work in a small art gallery in Mayfair three days a week to make ends meet. You'll look at my clothes, which will probably be my friend's clothes, and wrongly assume that I'm rich. As I won't mention a girlfriend, you'll probably assume <sup>20</sup> correctly that I'm single. I won't ask you if you have a boyfriend, but I will check your finger to see if you're engaged or married.

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7 Complete the description below for one of the other people in 3.

- **8** Read your description out to a partner and ask them to guess which person you've described.
- **9** Write a description of yourself or another student in the class.

# Ugly

Jon Bon Jovi Jon Bon Jovi was born John Francis Bongiovi Jr on 2nd March, 1962. His first band was Atlantic City Expressway. He made his breakthrough with the song 'Runaway'.

- 1 **50** Listen to the song.
  - a) Is it a romantic song?
  - b) Who is the singer talking to?
- c) What does he think of her?
- d) What does she think of herself?
- **2** Look at the lyrics of the first two verses of the song. The lines have been cut in half. In Column A the lines are in the correct order but in Column B they are mixed up. Listen again and match the two halves of each line.

A If you're ugly, In your eyes If you could see yourself You'd wish you were And I wish I was So I could take your picture Put it in a frame How beautiful В

you really are to me a camera sometimes as beautiful as you for you to see I'm ugly too! with my mind like others do the sky's a different blue



# Close up

- I wish
- 1 Look at the lyrics in 2. What tense is used after *I wish*?
- 2 Make *I wish* sentences for the following situations.

For example: I'm poor.  $\rightarrow$  I wish I had more money.

- a) I live in a tiny house in the suburbs.
- b) I've got a boring job.
- c) My car's 15 years old.
- d) My wife doesn't understand me.
- e) My children never listen to a word I say.
- f) I never have time to do the things I like.
- g) I hardly ever see my friends.
- **3** What wishes do you have about your own life? Write down a few and then tell your partner about them.

I wish I was/were ... wasn't/weren't so ... had .../didn't have ... lived ... could ...



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# Interview with Jon Bon Jovi

- 1 What do you know about Jon Bon Jovi?
- 2 In the interview below, he answers some of the following questions:
  - a) If you could be anywhere in the world right now, where would you like to be?
  - b) What do you do in your spare time?
  - c) Who would you most like to have lunch with?
  - d) What makes you angry?
  - e) What would surprise people most about you?
  - f) If your best friend was about to marry someone you thought was totally unsuitable, would you give an honest opinion?
  - g) What scares you?
  - h) If an old flame invited you to dinner, would you go?
  - i) If you could change anything, what would it be?
  - j) What's the best thing about your work?

Match a question to each of his answers.

#### 1

My mother. At the peak of Bon Jovi's early success, the group went through a period of real extravagance. We hired private planes, chartered the biggest yachts in the world, took all our friends on holiday to exotic islands, bought each other Ferraris and gave our parents expensive presents. But Mum would always much rather I went round for Sunday lunch instead of buying her another gift.

#### 2

Being a rock 'n' roll star is not as romantic as people think. It's actually a very strenuous job – especially when you're on the road 240 days a year. Songwriting, creating something that you can have for ever, is what gives me the greatest thrill.

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People who come to interview me and only want to talk about my hairstyle.

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I'd spend more time with my wife, Dorothea, and my kids, Stephanie and James. I take them with me whenever possible. They all came to live with me in London for three months while I was filming the thriller *The Leading Man*, but I still don't see enough of them.

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I used to worry about living up to the success of the last record, especially after *Slippery When Wet* sold 14 million copies. But these days, I'm much more relaxed and personal artistic satisfaction means more than commercial success.

#### 6

That I'm not out on the town every night. When I was in London filming, I would drive to work at 6 am and see people coming out of the clubs and feel thankful that I'd had a good night's sleep. I'm all for going out on a bender now and again, but you can't do it every night.



Adapted from Candice, October 1997

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**3** Work in small groups and discuss your own answers to the questions in 2 above.

#### Close up

Unreal conditionals

- 1 Look at the interview with Jon Bon Jovi again. Which tense does the interviewer use after the word *if*? Why?
- 2 ES 51 Listen and read the dialogues below. What is the relationship between the people in each dialogue?

Anna: If you're looking for a new skirt, there's a sale on at DKNY.

Dan: Is there? Well, come on. If we don't leave now, the shops'll be closed when we get there.

Mark: If I pass the exam, can I have a new pair of Doc Martens? And a CD? And ...

Laura: If you spent less time thinking about clothes and music and more time on your schoolwork, I'd be a lot happier.  Paul: This is really nice. If I had the money, I'd always wear Hugo Boss suits.
 Chris: If you like it, why don't you buy it? You look great in it.

Mel: Right. Who's been wearing my Calvin Klein jacket?

Julia: Well, don't look at me.

- Mel: Well, if it wasn't you, who was it?
- Julia: Well, I don't know. Anyway, what do you expect if you leave your things all around the house?
- Mel: That's neither here nor there. If you're going to borrow things, you should ask. Look at this stain.



3 Underline the *conditional* sentences.

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- 4 Work with a partner. Discuss these questions with reference to the examples in the conversations.
  - a) How many clauses are there in each conditional sentence in the conversations?
  - b) In each case, is the speaker talking about a situation which they see as real or unreal?
  - c) What verb tenses are used in the *if* clauses? What happens to the verb tense in the *if* clause in the *unreal* conditionals?
  - d) How is this similar to I wish (page 122)?
  - e) What happens in the main clause in the unreal conditionals?

**5** Write at least five sentences about yourself and talk about them with a partner.

- a) If I had more money/time ...
- b) If I could speak English/Chinese ...
- c) If I were younger/older ...
- d) If I could sing/dance/play a musical instrument/drive ...
- e) If ...



'If I was married to you, I'd divorce you!'

#### Language reference: I wish & unreal conditionals I wish

I wish is one of the ways of talking about unreal situations. After I wish the tense backshifts.

FACT	WISH
I'm a teacher	but I wish I wasn't/weren't a teacher. I wish I was/were a doctor. *
I live in New York	but I wish I didn't live in New York. I wish I lived in Paris.
I'm studying English	but I wish I wasn't studying English. I wish I was/were studying
	Chinese.

\* were is often used instead of was to make the sentence more formal.

#### Unreal conditionals

If for unreal conditionals follows the same rule as I wish.

If I was/were a doctor ...

If I lived in Paris ...

If I was/were studying Chinese ...

In the second clause of the sentence you generally use would. You can also use might or maybe + would for possible results.

If I was a doctor I'd be able to help people more, and I'd make more money.

If I lived in Paris, I'd visit the Louvre every day and I'd have croissants and coffee for breakfast in a pavement café.

If I was studying Chinese I'd have fewer problems with grammar. And I might be able to study in China for a year.

There is more information about I wish and conditionals in units 13 and 15 and about would in unit 11.

If you have studied the 'second conditional' (if + past simple + would + verb), you already know a lot about this type of sentence.





# 15

Age

#### If I had my life to live over, I'd try to make more mistakes next time.

- I would relax.
- I would be sillier than I have been this trip
- I know of very few things I would take seriously.
- I would take more chances.
- I would take more trips.
- I would climb more mountains, swim more rivers and watch more sunsets.
- I would eat more ice cream and less beans.
- I would have more actual troubles and fewer imaginary ones.
- You see, I am one of those people who live prophylactically and sanely and sensibly,
- hour after hour, day after day.
- Oh, I have had my moments and, if I had to do it over again, I'd have more of them.
- In fact, I'd try to have nothing else. Just moments, one after another.
- If I had my life to live over,
- I would start bare-footed earlier in the spring and stay that way later in the fall.
- I would play hooky more

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I would ride on more merry-go-rounds.
 I'd pick more daisies.

# <image>

#### CALL 0345 883 1340 TODAY. ALTERNATIVELY, YOU COULD WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW.

#### prophylactically

- (line 15): very carefully sanely (line 15): in a normal or reasonable way bare-footed (line 22): without shoes fall (US) (line 23): autumn play hooky (US) (line 24): stay away from school without permission daisy (line 26): small white wild flower
- Work in groups. Invent an identity for the man in the advertisement.
- What's his name?
- How old is he?
- Where does he live?
- What's his family background?
- What has he done in his life?
- Is he happy?

Work with students from other groups. Compare descriptions.

- **2** Read the poem and decide whether it fits the character you have invented. How does the man in the poem feel about his life?
- **3** Why did Harley Davidson choose this poem to advertise their bikes? What kind of person is the advertisement aimed at?

Wishes The poem you have just read is about an old man looking back over his life. Think about 1 your future. Make a list of five or more things you'd like to do in the future and why you can't do them now.

For examp		*****		
What I'd like		Why it's impossible		
I'd like to	buy a new leather jacket	but I can't find one I like.		
I'd like to	travel round the world	but I've got to finish my studies.		

Rewrite your list using conditional sentences.

For example: If I could find a jacket I liked, I'd buy it. If I didn't have to finish my studies, I'd travel round the world.

- 3 Work with a partner. Compare your sentences.
- 4 Look back at the poem. Complete these sentences for the man. Use the words in the box.

sensible seriously adventurous anxious fun risks enjoy

- a) I wish I'd been more ...
- b) I wish I'd been less ...
- c) I wish I'd taken more ...
- d) If only I'd had more ...
- e) I wish I hadn't been so ...
- f) I wish I hadn't taken life so ....
- g) If only I'd done more of the things I ...

#### **Close** up

I wish & if only

Work with a partner. Look at the sentences in 4 above. 1

- a) What verb form follows I wish ... and If only ... in these particular sentences?
- b) Are the sentences about situations in the past, the present or the future?
- c) Are they about things that really happened?
- d) Look at the sentences below and find the verbs.

Facts	Wishes
I studied maths, literature and	I wish I'd studied Italian. If only I'd known
business studies at school.	what was going to happen.
Now I'm studying economics in Oxford.	I wish I was studying Italian literature.
	I wish I lived in Rome.
Sadly, it's all over with Gina.	If only she hadn't finished with me.
She went back to Rome last week.	I wish I'd gone with her.

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#### What happens to the verbs when you change from a fact to a wish?



**2** The people in these pictures regret decisions they have made or things they have done. What do you think they regret? Write sentences beginning *I* wish ... or *If only* ... for each picture.



- 3 Write at least two wishes for the people in these situations.
  - a) I have to play tennis with Jack on Saturday. The thing is, not only is he dreadful at tennis, he's also a pain in the neck. And now Nico has asked me if I want to play with him. *I wish* ...
  - b) I went to see *The Texas Chain Saw Massacre* with Carmen last week, and she's had nightmares about it all week. *I wish* ...
  - c) Ten years ago, when I was 16, I left school and went to work in my dad's business. Now the business has gone bankrupt and I'm out of work. *If only* ...
  - d) I started smoking when I was a teenager. I'm on two packs a day now and I'm desperate to stop, but I just can't manage it. *If only* ...
  - e) We got married when we were both 18. We were in love and we thought it would last for ever. But as we've got older we've drifted apart and now we fight all the time. *I wish* ...
- 4 Have you made any bad decisions in your life so far? Tell your partner about them.

Wish and if only are two w	ays of talking about unreal	2 Past changes to past p	perfect	
situations. You can use them to express regrets about the present or past.		I studied economics.	→ I wish I'd studied Italian literature.	
In <i>unreal</i> situations, the ter	se usually backshifts.	I went to Scotland for	→ I wish I'd gone to Spain.	
For example:		my holidays.		
1 Present changes to past		I started smoking when	→ If only I hadn't started	
I live in Oxford	I wish I lived in Rome.	I was a teenager.	smoking.	
I'm going to the cinema	I wish I was going to the		ference section about I wish in	
with Pete on Saturday. 🖃	cinema with Miguel.	unit 14.		
I can't stop smoking.	If only I could stop smoking.			



# Act your age

- Do you think there is an upper or lower age limit for:
  - getting married
  - having children
  - learning a new language
  - travelling around the world
- dancing to pop music in public

starting a new career

- learning to ski
- riding a motorbike wearing jeans
- worrying about how you look leaving home
- Discuss your answers with a partner. Are there any other activities you think have age limits?
- 2 Read the article and decide which statements are true for the writer.
  - a) I wish I'd never met him.
  - b) I should have been honest about my age.
  - c) If I'd told him my age at the beginning, he might have left me.
  - d) I shouldn't have told him about my disastrous existence.
  - e) If I was a man, the age difference wouldn't be a problem.
  - f) It's all his fault: if I hadn't met him I wouldn't have turned into an ageist and a liar.

#### Ageism

Ageism is prejudice against older people, for example through refusing them employment. It is a new word, following the models of racism and sexism.

# Ageism turned her into a liar

For most of my life, age has seemed unimportant. My friends of both sexes have been younger, older or the same age. When I was in my early thirties I had a very enjoyable and fulfilling relationship with a man of 23. One of the most attractive men I know is in his mid fifties.

THE FIRST time I experienced a problem with age was on my fortieth birthday. Much to my surprise, it was a deeply traumatic event. Forty seemed to be so much older than 39. I used to like it when people told me I looked young for my age, 5 but then I realised that they were just telling me how old I was.

Anyway, I slowly got over the shock and tried to convince myself that life begins at 40 ...

I met him playing badminton. He was impressed with my exciting lifestyle - lots of travelling and some writing. I found 10 him fun, kind, amusing and very attractive. He's 31 and looks

about 19. He has no idea how old I am.

All my life I've been totally honest. I return extra change to astonished shopkeepers, I've never travelled without a ticket and in job interviews I always come out with all the reasons why I 15 should not be employed.

Early on in the relationship I told him the truth about my relationship that destroyed my faith in men. I even admitted that I dye my hair. The sky did not fall in and he didn't run screaming

20 from the house. I did tell him I'm older than he is, but something stopped me from coming clean about my actual age.

And now I'm in trouble - serious trouble. Silence has made 35 someone who makes me happy and I don't want to lose it. the problem much greater. If I had told him before, it wouldn't have become such a big issue. If I had been brave enough to

25 admit that I was 11 years older than him, I wouldn't be in this crazy situation now. I lie about jobs, years abroad and education; he wonders how I've managed to fit so much living into my life; 40 I conveniently can't remember the music of my teenage years.



The other day, I even hid my passport under a pile of papers. disastrous existence - my divorce, my financial difficulties, the 30 Pm worried about organising a get-together with my friends in case one of them says something like, 'Doesn't she look good for her age.'

The longer I remain silent, the more likely he is to find out and I'm frightened. For once in a very long time I've found

I know that if I was a man, I would never have got into this mess. Eleven years' difference is nothing for a man. But it's the other way round and the world judges older women harshly, and I'm afraid he would do the same.

I have become an ageist and a liar and I have no one to blame but myself.

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- **3** The following is a summary of the article. Put the lines of the summary in the correct order.
  - () over the shock and tried
  - (1) She has always had friends
  - ( ) traumatic event. But she got
  - ( ) to convince herself that life begins
  - ) but herself for the situation she's in.
  - (2) of all ages. In fact, one of the most attractive
  - ( ) clean about her age. Silence has made the problem
  - ( ) at 40. She met him playing badminton but didn't come
  - () women so harshly. But she knows that she has no one to blame
  - ( ) much greater and now she thinks that the longer she remains silent
  - ( ) men she knows is in his mid fifties. Her fortieth birthday was a deeply
  - ( ) the more likely he is to find out. She thinks it's unfair that society judges older
- 4 What would you do if you were the writer?
- **5** Write the conversation they have when she tells him the truth. Begin like this:

Him: You look worried. What's on your mind? Her: Actually there *is* something I've been meaning to tell you.

- 6 52 Listen to the conversation. Did you imagine a similar situation?
- 7 Work in small groups and discuss these questions:
  - a) How old are your youngest and oldest friends?
  - b) Do you know any couples who have a big age difference?
  - c) What would you do now if you were the writer?
  - d) Have you ever lied about your age?
  - e) Can you think of any situations in which you would lie about your age?
  - f) What ages do you think are turning-points in life?

## Close up

Unreal conditionals  Here are some comments the woman makes about her difficult situation. Match them to the time sequences in the box.

- a) If I had told him before, it wouldn't have become such a big issue.
- b) If I had been brave enough to admit that I was 11 years older than him, I wouldn't be in this crazy situation now.
- c) I know that if I was a man, I would never have got into this mess.

time sequences		
present situation	$\rightarrow$	past result
past situation	→	past result
past situation	→	present result

**2** Write conditional sentences according to the prompts. Think carefully about the verb tenses.

For example:

You arrived early. I wasn't ready.  $\rightarrow$  If you hadn't arrived early, I would have been ready.

- a) I ate too much last night. I'm not feeling very well.
- b) He went to university. He got a good job.
- c) She's got a fast car. She got here in under two hours.
- d) You only had a sandwich at lunch time. You're hungry now.
- e) I didn't see you. I didn't say 'hello'.
- f) There was a power cut. I lost two vital computer documents.
- g) You didn't ask anyone for directions. We're lost.
- h) He loves her a lot. He forgave her.

# **Unreal! The Conditional Game**



# **RULES OF THE GAME**

Play the game in small groups. You will need a dice and counters.

- 1 Place your counters on the square marked START and throw the dice.
- 2 The first player to throw a six starts the game.
- 3 The first player throws the dice again and moves their counter along the board according to the number on the dice.

4 Players then play in turns, moving clockwise around the board. If a player lands on a 'CUE' square they have to use the words on it to make a conditional sentence. For example:



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If I wasn't broke, I would have paid for your meal. or If I hadn't bought a <u>new car, I wouldn't be broke now.</u>

If a player lands on a 'TRUE' square, they have to use the words on it as the beginning of a sentence that is true for them. If a player lands on a 'FREE SQUARE' they don't have to do anything.

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# What would you have done?

1 Read these stories and discuss what you would have done.

A I was in the supermarket yesterday and I saw this elderly woman shuffling up and down the aisles. She didn't have a trolley, and was putting her shopping straight into her basket. Anyway, I thought nothing more about it and carried on doing my shopping and when I went to queue up to pay, there she was in front of me. I watched her put one tin of cat food on the counter and pay for it, then she walked out with her basket full of unpaid shopping.	C My friend put me in a really difficult position the other day. She'd bought this dress for a special 'do' and I don't know why she had to ask me what I thought of it. I mean, she wouldn't have bought it if she didn't like it, would she? And she paid a fortune for it. Anyway, she put it on and I immediately thought, 'No, orange is not your colour.' Not only that, but some people just haven't got the legs for short skirts. To be honest, she looked ridiculous.
B Something awful happened to me last week. I'd invited six people round for dinner and you know how I hate cooking. Anyway, I spent all afternoon preparing the meal and actually I was quite pleased with how it turned out. I even	On my last birthday, my husband just gave me an envelope. I was really excited. I thought it was going to be tickets for a holiday to Egypt. He knew that it was my ambition to see the pyramids. Anyway, when I opened the envelope, there was a cheque inside for £5,000 and a little note saying, 'Happy Birthday darling. I've booked you a face-lift.'
managed to get all the vegetables ready at the same time as the meat. So, the vegetables were on the table and I just had to get the chicken out of the oven. I lifted it out and I don't know how it happened, but I dropped it on the kitchen floor and before I could pick it up, the cat had licked it. She regretted it afterwards, because she burnt her tongue.	<b>E</b> I had a very strange experience the other day. I was up in London for a meeting and it was lunch time. It was a lovely day, so I bought a sandwich and went for a walk. I was just on my way back to the office when I noticed a scruffy, bearded man begging in the street. I recognised him immediately. It was someone I'd been at university with, a brilliant rugby player. He'd always been a bit of a rebel, but a very clever man. We'd been very good friends, but I'd lost touch with him when we left university.

# Language reference: unreal conditionals

#### The 'if' clause

If the situation is unreal (imaginary or very improbable) we show this by backshifting the verb.

real	unreal	I might have got a job with the BBC Symphony
I'm an economist.	If I wasn't an economist	Orchestra.
	If I was a musician If I had a different job	You can usually swap the two clauses round: I'd probably have chosen the violin as my instrument
real past	unreal past	if I'd studied music.
I studied economics at university.	If I hadn't studied economics If I'd studied music	Notes: Sometimes the <i>if</i> clause is in the past and the main clause is in the present, or vice versa.
	If I hadn't gone to	past + present
1000	university	If I'd become a musician,
The main clause		I would make less money.
The main clause generation	ally uses would or might.	present + past
		If I didn't make so much money,
If I was a musician,		I wouldn't have been able to buy my Porsche,
I think I'd be happie		or my flat in New York.
I'd probably earn les	ss money than I do.	See also units 11, 13, 14 and 15

... I might become world famous.

If I'd studied music, ...

For the past, use would have or might have.

I'd have chosen the violin as my instrument.

See also units 11, 13, 14 and 15.

If you have studied the 'third conditional' (if + past perfect + would + perfect infinitive), you already know a lot about this type of sentence.

#### Sweet sixteen

1 Work in small groups and discuss the following questions:

- Do you think that the age you are is a good age to be? .
- What do you think is the best age to be and why?
- Have you ever wished you were older or younger?



- 2 54 These four people were asked the same questions. Listen to the interviews and note down their answers.
- 3 Match the person to the question they were asked.
  - a) Do you mind if I ask you how old you are?
  - b) How old are you now?
  - c) You've just had an important birthday, haven't you?
  - d) How old are you?

Which is the most polite form?

Delicate When you want to ask about something delicate, indirect questions are often more polite questions than direct questions.

> For example: Direct question Indirect question How old are you? Do you mind if I ask (you) how old you are? Have you got a girlfriend? Do you mind if I ask (you) whether you've got a girlfriend?

Instead of Do you mind + present you can use Would you mind + past as a more formal alternative.

- Make indirect questions from the prompts.
  - Do you mind if I ask you ...
  - a) where/buy/your/shirt?
  - b) why/study/English?
  - c) get/here/on/time?
- d) where/go/after/lesson?
- e) enjoy/this/lesson?
- what/do/this/evening? f)

Now ask your partner the questions.

- 2 Work with a partner. In your country which of these questions do you not ask somebody you don't know very well?
  - e) Who did you vote for in the last elections?
  - f) Are you married?
  - g) Is that your natural hair colour?
    - h) How much did your house cost?
  - a) What perfume are you wearing? b) How much do you earn?
  - c) Where did you buy your shoes?

  - d) How much do you weigh?
  - Can you think of any other 'taboo' questions? Add them to the list.
  - Work with a partner. Change the direct questions in 2 into indirect questions using Do you mind if I ask you ...?
  - Take it in turns to ask and answer the questions, giving a true answer or politely refusing to answer.

Taboo / təbu:/ taboos. If there is a taboo on a subject or activity, it is a social custom to avoid doing that activity or talking about that subject, because people find them embarrassing or offensive. The topic of addiction remains something of a taboo. > Also an adjective. Cancer is a taboo subject and people are frightened or embarrassed to talk openly about it.

(Collins Cobuild English Dictionary)

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No, I don't mind. No, not at all. I'd rather not say. I'd rather not answer that. Yes, I do mind, actually.

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# 16 Review 2

# Who said what?

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Sroucho Mary

- 1 Here are some quotes by well-known people. Match the quote to the person.
  - a) 'The Beatles are more popular than Jesus Christ.'
  - 'In the future, everyone will be famous for fifteen minutes.' b)
  - c) 'Rock 'n' roll has no future.'
  - d) 'Painting a picture is either easy or impossible.'
  - e) 'England is a nation of shopkeepers.'
  - f) 'Words are the most powerful drug used by mankind.'
  - g) 'I love Mickey Mouse more than any woman I've ever known.'
  - h) 'I've never hated a man enough to give diamonds back.'
  - 'There's no such thing as a bad Picasso.' i)
  - j) 'I don't want to belong to any club that will accept me as a member.'
  - k) 'I never think about the future.'
  - 1) 'There is no sin except stupidity.'

Salvador Dali Walt Disney Groucho Marx Pablo Picasso Oscar Wilde Zsa Zsa Gabor Albert Einstein Rudyard Kipling Napoleon Bonaparte Andy Warhol Frank Sinatra John Lennon

Check your answers on page 140.

2 Report the quotes in 1.

For example:

John Lennon once said the Beatles were more popular than Jesus Christ.

3 If you could be famous for 15 minutes, as the quote in 1 suggests, what would you like it to be for? Think of three things.

For example: I'd like to score the winning goal in a World Cup final.

## I wish ...

Read these three wishes. Then add one of your own.



Zsa Gabo

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## In your dreams

#### Conditionals

1 Work in small groups and discuss these questions.

#### If you ...

- a) could be anywhere in the world for the next 24 hours, where would you go?
- b) were on a five year space mission and could take one of your possessions what would it be?
- c) could have the answer to any one question, what would you want to know?
- d) could change one thing about your country, what would it be?
- e) could relive one week of your life, which week would it be?
- f) could have one day with someone from history, who would it be?
- g) won £1 million on the lottery next week, what would you do with the money?
- h) could change sex for one year, what would you do with the time?
- i) could be transported into the future, when and where would you like to go to?
- j) could be any animal, what would you be?
- 2 Report three interesting things from your discussions to the class.

#### The real you

Conditionals

**1** Answer the questionnaire below.

SECTION 1	SECTION 2	SECTION 3	SECTION 4
<ol> <li>If you are with a group of people, do you generally</li> <li>a) like to have the whole group as your audience?</li> <li>b) talk with one person at a time?</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Would you say you usually get on better with</li> <li>a) reliable, steady people?</li> <li>b) unpredictable, spontaneous people?</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Would you be happier if you were known as</li> <li>a person who is always reasonable?</li> <li>b) a person who is always compassionate?</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>If you go somewhere for the day, do you usually</li> <li>a) plan what you will do and when you'll do it?</li> <li>b) just go?</li> </ol>
<ul> <li>2 Do you tend to have</li> <li>a) broad friendships with a lot of people?</li> <li>b) deep friendships with a few people?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2 If you were a teacher, would you rather teach</li> <li>a) fact-based courses?</li> <li>b) courses involving theory?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2 What is more important, someone's</li> <li>a) rights?</li> <li>b) feelings?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2 When you have a special job to do, do you</li> <li>a) organise it carefully before you start?</li> <li>b) find out what is necessary as you go along?</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>3 If there is some gossip about one of your friends, will you usually be</li> <li>a) one of the first to hear about it?</li> <li>b) one of the last to find out what's going on?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3 If you could choose, would you prefer to be</li> <li>a) practical and good at fixing things?</li> <li>b) creative and artistic?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Would you say you more often let</li> <li>a) your head rule your heart?</li> <li>b) your heart rule your head?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>If you had been asked last</li> <li>Saturday morning what you were going to do that day, would you have</li> <li>a) known pretty well?</li> <li>b) had no idea?</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Would you say you</li> <li>a) can be enthusiastic about most things if necessary?</li> <li>b) can only be enthusiastic about things of particular importance to you?</li> </ul>	4 Would you say you are a) conventional? b) original?	<ul> <li>Given the choice, would you rather work for someone who is</li> <li>a) always fair?</li> <li>b) always kind?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>4 Do you generally do things at the last minute?</li> <li>a) sometimes</li> <li>b) often</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>J If you could choose, would you rather things around you were</li> <li>a) busy?</li> <li>b) quiet?</li> </ul>	5 Which of these words do you prefer? a) certainty b) possibility	5 Which of these words do you prefer? a) determined b) devoted	<ul><li>5 Would you say the routine parts of your day are</li><li>a) restful?</li><li>b) boring?</li></ul>

**2** Work with a partner. Exchange questionnaires and turn to page 142 to find out what it all means. Is the description an accurate summary of them?

## I predict ...

*will* **1** Here are some predictions about the future made by some of our students. Put the verb in brackets into an appropriate future form. Then write four predictions of your own.



2 Interview a classmate to find out whether the statements in 1 are true or false for him or her. Do a class survey.

For example:

Eight people in our class think they'll be living in the same country as now in two years.

## The world of languages

Questions

- 1 Work with a partner and discuss the following questions:
  - a) When was language first written down?
  - b) When was the first alphabet developed?
  - c) How many languages are there in the world?
  - d) Which are the five most spoken languages in the world?
  - e) How many words are there in English?
  - f) Which are the most common words in English?
  - g) Which languages do the words ketchup and shampoo originally come from?
  - h) Which country has got 13 languages on its bank notes?
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- **3** Listen again. Write five more questions about the interview. Ask some classmates your questions.

For example: Who were the first people to write down their language?

# Doing the right thing

**Modals 1** Work with a partner and do the following quiz.

# How would you cope around the World? Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE?

	You mustn't give tips in India. In the UK, you don't have to carry	• T • F		must eat with your left hand Idan.	●T●F
4	ID with you.	•T •F	16 In Sv	veden, you aren't allowed to	
3	In Holland, friends are supposed to		smol	ce until you are 16.	• T • F
	kiss each other four times when			e UK, you must never turn	
	saying hello and goodbye.	● T ● F	your Que	back on a picture of the	OT OF
4	You should never give a clock as a gift in China.	•T •F		don't have to wear a motorcycl	
5	In Japan, you can't vote until			et in Italy.	● T ● F
2	you are 19.	• T • F	19. In Fi	nland you can't buy alcohol in	
6	You can drive as fast as you want		a su	permarket.	• T • F
	in Germany.	● T ● F		udi Arabia, it's normal for shop	<b>)</b> 5
7	In Britain, people are expected to			ose for about 15 minutes four s a day.	OT OF
	take turns to buy drinks in a pub.	● T ● F	ume	s a uay.	OT OT
8	In Zimbabwe, you can pay fines with flowers.	OTOF		A second	
٩	In Spain, children under 16 aren't		1	See 1 Th	
	allowed into bars.	• T • F		the state	
10	You are expected to take some			You at the	
	cheese with you when you are		a dia	A Start AND	
1.2.2	invited to dinner in France.	●T●F	CA.		
11	In Japan, you shouldn't blow your nose in public.	OTOF	121	N	
12	When giving flowers in Germany,				
	you should give an even number.	● T ● F	E		
13	You have to turn out to vote in			1 Martine	
	Australia.	● T ● F			
14	In the USA, you can drive a car in				
	most states when you're 15.	●T ●F			
-	and the second				

Check your answers on page 142.

2 Can you think of any rules in your country? What would a visitor need to know?

#### **Greetings from Vietnam**

**General** Read the letter to Marcella. Choose the correct alternative. In some cases both alternatives are possible.

#### Dear Marcella,

Well, at last here we are in Vietnam and we (1) have/'re having an absolutely (2) good/wonderful time. We're now in a (3) beautiful, email/email, beautiful market town in the mountains in the very north of the country. The town is at the end of a steep valley and there are the most (4) amazing/amazed terraces as far as the eye can see. Miguel (5) said me/said he thought they (6) were/are the most spectacular views he (7) had/has ever seen. I've taken so (8) much/many photos since we (9) are/'ve been here. I think I (10) 've /'d only taken about a dozen in total before we (11) arrived/had arrived here in Sapa. We (12) go/'ve been for a long walk every day so far. In the evenings, we're pretty (13) exhausting/exhausted and we just have a meal – Vietnamese food is (14) very/absolutely great – and a beer or two before bed.

Yesterday, Stefan had his hair cut by the woman (15) which/who owns the hotel (16) which/where we're staying in. He says he (17) likes/liked it, but he (18) mustn't/can't have looked in a mirror! It looks awfull

We think we might (19) to stay/stay here for a (20) few/little more days before heading back south. With a bit of luck, this time next week, we'll (21) have left/be leaving the mountains behind us and we'll (22) lie/be lying on a deserted, sandy beach! I'm really looking forward to (23) do/doing nothing for (24) a few/few days! We really wish you (25) would be/were here with us. If you (26) are/were, you (27) 'd/'ll really love it! If only you (28) didn't break/hadn't broken your arm! Never mind, I suppose things (29) might/can have been a lot worse! Anyway, I hope it (30) gets/is getting better:

So, how are things back home? Miguel and Stefan want to know how (31) are you/you are coping without (32) them/they! We're all expecting (33) lots of/much juicy gossip when we (34) 'll get/get back next month!

It's late, so (35) I'll finish/am finishing now. (36) Say/Tell Juliette we'll write (37) her/to her soon. Take care and have funl

Lots of love,

Virginia and Lena xxxxxxxx

# Additional material

# 6 News

#### The passive voice, 6

#### Student A

Here are your three stories. Don't show them to anyone.

- 1 (1) A dramatic chase involved police cars (2) after somebody spotted a notice in the back window of a car (3) saying 'Help us, we have been kidnapped.' (4) It had been put there by four unhappy children (5) who didn't want to go on holiday to Bournemouth with their parents.
- (1) An 85-year-old man was asked to leave the M4 motorway by the police (2) because he was riding in a wheelchair. (3) His 65-year-old son was pushing the wheelchair.
- 3 (1) After spending many hours practising birdcalls at home, (2) some woods were gone into by French ornithologist Marius Giraud (3) to try them out (4) and was shot dead by a hunter.

# 3 Dating

#### Twenty-first century dating, 2

#### Student A

Read about couple 1. When you've finished reading, close your book and tell Student B about the couple.

#### Couple 1

I've finally found the man of my <u>dreams</u>. We have so much in common, we laugh at the same things and talk for hours. There's only one problem. We've never met. Tom lives in the US. I live in Ireland. We met on the Net.

I wasn't looking for <u>Mr Right</u>, I was just hoping to chat to some interesting people. The American singles dating site didn't charge a fee so I filled in a form with my likes and dislikes and a short paragraph about myself. By the end of the week I had about 25 responses. Over the next five months, I went on eight dates with men I met on the Net. One I dated for about two months, others I saw a couple of times before I realised there was no real spark. Then, two months ago, just as I was about to take my details off the Net, I received an e-mail from a guy in America called Tom. His note was amusing and he sounded interesting so I decided to write back.

Soon I found myself rushing back home after work to check my e-mails. Tom made me laugh, he challenged my opinions. We talked about everything. My friends weren't particularly impressed when I told them about him, but I knew this one was different.

We exchanged pictures by e-mail and we liked what we saw, but at this stage looks didn't matter. Then Tom and I had what we consider our first 'date'. We spoke for 11 hours and that phone call changed the course of our <u>relationship</u>. We've decided to meet.

# 7 Party

#### Phrasal verbs, 4

#### Call My Bluff

Call my bluff was a popular TV game in the UK for many years. The aim of the game is for teams to guess the correct meaning of words.

#### Team A

1 Invent two false definitions for each of the phrasal verbs below:

**get on**. If you *get on* with someone, you like them and have a friendly relationship with them. **go round with.** You regularly meet or go to different places with the same group of people. run out of. If you run out of something you no longer have any of it left. We've run out of milk. Can you buy some at the supermarket?

take in. If you *take someone in* you allow someone to stay in your house or country, especially when they are homeless or in trouble.

- 2 Read out your three definitions (one true, two false) for the first phrasal verb. Team B guess which definition is correct. If they guess correctly, they get a point. If they guess incorrectly, you get a point.
- **3** Now listen to Team B's definitions and guess the correct one. Take turns. The winning team is the team with the most points.
- 4 If you want to continue the game, here is an extra set of phrasal verbs:

**get away.** To leave a place or a person's company. *I'm sorry I'm late. I couldn't get away from the office until now.* **put up with** (something or someone). To tolerate or accept something or someone. *I can't put up with this noise anymore.* 

**run into.** If you *run into* (someone), you meet someone unexpectedly. *I ran into Jim at the station*. **turn up**. To arrive, often unexpectedly or after you have been waiting a long time. *After waiting for 50 minutes the bus finally turned up*.

# 8 Review 1 Sound & vision, 2



# 16 Review 2

#### Who said what?, 1

#### Answers

- a) John Lennon b) Andy Warhol c) Frank Sinatra
- d) Salvador Dali e) Napoleon Bonaparte
- f) Rudyard Kipling g) Walt Disney h) Zsa Zsa Gabor
- i) Pablo Picasso j) Groucho Marx k) Albert Einstein

1) Oscar Wilde

# 3 Dating

#### Twenty-first century dating, 2

#### Student B

Read about couple 2.

When you've finished reading, close your book and tell Student A about the couple.

#### Couple 2

It was <u>love</u> at first <u>sight</u> for Joel Emerson and Lisa Bunyan, which was lucky because they met for the first time on their wedding day!

As a publicity stunt, a local Australian radio station ran a seven-week competition which they called 'Two Strangers and a Wedding'. The radio station voted Joel Emerson, 24 and a marketing consultant, the 'most eligible bachelor'. Lisa Bunyan, 22, who works at a management training centre, was one of 300 <u>single</u> women who rushed to the phone to offer herself as his bride.

The only direct contact they had before their wedding day was when Joel <u>proposed</u> over the telephone on the radio. An estimated 50,000 listeners witnessed the romantic (but not particularly intimate) moment when Lisa said 'yes'.

The groom's mother was not amused and told a local newspaper that she was shocked and appalled. As the couple left for their <u>honeymoon</u> in Paris, they told the same newspaper, 'We know that we're doing the right thing.'

# 11 Journey

#### Conrad's round-the-world trip, 3

#### Answers

Photo 1 Patagonia, Argentina Photo 2 The Basque country, Spain Photo 3 Lake Como, Italy Photo 4 New Delhi, India Photo 5 Fiji Photo 6 Petra, Jordan

# 1 Friends

Noughts & Crosses, 1

#### Team A

#### FACTS FOR QUIZ QUESTIONS

Choose ten facts and write questions for them.

- 1 A spider has got eight legs.
- 2 Greenland is the largest island in the world.
- 3 The Atlas mountains are in north Africa.
- 4 There are 11 players in a cricket team.
- 5 The Russian alphabet uses the Cyrillic script.
- 6 The capital of Colombia is Bogota.
- 7 Tutankhamen was a king of Egypt.
- 8 Ringo was the smallest Beatle.
- 9 Margaret Thatcher was the first woman prime minister of England.
- 10 Neil Armstrong was the first man on the moon.
- 11 The Black Forest is in Germany.
- 12 Hollywood is in Los Angeles, California.
- 13 Alaska is the largest state in the USA.
- 14 Leonardo da Vinci painted the Mona Lisa (La Giaconda).
- 15 St Valentine's Day is on 14th February.
- 16 The capital of Algeria is Algiers.
- 17 Schipol Airport is in Amsterdam.

# 3 Dating

#### Dream date. Lexis, 3

#### Calculating your Ki Astrology sign.

hink of your year of birth. The Chinese year runs from February to February, so anyone born between 1st January and 3rd February needs to count the previous year as their year of birth.

Add up the last two numbers of your year of birth. For example, if you were born in 1970, add seven to zero (7 + 0) to get seven. If you were born in 1985, add eight to five (8 + 5) to get thirteen.

If the number you have is 9 or less, subtract it from 10 to find your Ki sign. For example, for a person born in 1970, 10 - 7 = 3.

If the number you have is 10 or more, add up the two digits. For example, with thirteen add one and three to get four (1 + 3 = 4). Then subtract the new number from 10 to find your Ki sign. For example, for a person born in 1985, 10-4=6.

# 6 News

#### The passive voice, 6

#### Student B

Here are your three stories. Don't show them to anyone.

- (1) Police cars were involved in a dramatic chase (2) after a notice was spotted in the back window of a car (3) saying 'Help us, somebody has kidnapped us.' (4) Four unhappy children had put it there (5) who didn't want to be taken on holiday to Bournemouth by their parents.
- 2 (1) The police asked an 85-year-old man in a wheelchair to leave the M4 motorway (2) because a wheelchair was being ridden in by him. (3) The wheelchair was being pushed by his 65-year-old son.
- **3** (1) After many hours had been spent by him practising birdcalls at home, (2) French ornithologist Marius Giraud went into some woods (3) for them to be tried out (4) and a hunter shot him dead.

# 13 Communication

#### What do men and women really think?, 2

#### Answers

- (1) women (2) men (3) men (4) women
- (5) women (6) men (7) women (8) men
- (9) women (10) men (11) men (12) women
- (13) men (14) women (15) men (16) women
- (17) men (18) men (19) women (20) men (21) women (22) women (23) men
- (21) Women (22) Women (23) me

# 1 Friends

#### You've got a friend. Lexis, 3

#### Answers

- a) The Beatles, I Wanna Hold Your Hand
- b) Lighthouse Family, Ocean Drive
- c) Bob Dylan, It Ain't Me Babe
- d) All Saints, Never Ever
- e) The Rolling Stones, Satisfaction
- f) Oasis, Roll With It

# 10 Time

#### To whom it may concern, 6

1566b 49th East Street Santa Barbara, CA

Worldwide Airlines Inc PO Box 2983 Chicago

5th February 2000

Dear Sir or Madam,

Application for the post of flight attendant

I am writing in response to your advertisement in the *Morning Post* and would like to apply for the position of flight attendant.

I am 21 years old, and I have just graduated from university. I enclose my curriculum vitae for your attention and I would be pleased to attend an interview at any time convenient to you.

I would be grateful if you could send me an application form and some additional information about the job.

I look forward to hearing from you. Yours faithfully,

Anthony Clifford

Anthony Clifford

# 16 Review 2

#### The real you

1 Find out about your classmate.

SECTION 1	SECTION 2	SECTION 3	SECTION 4
If you have scored mostly As, you are an extrovert.	If you have scored mostly As, you are sensitive.	If you have scored mostly As, you are intellectual.	If you have scored mostly As, you evaluate.
If you have scored mostly Bs, you are an introvert.	If you have scored mostly Bs, you are instinctive.	If you have scored mostly Bs, you are emotional.	If you have scored mostly Bs, you observe.

**2** Find your classmate in the table.

BAAA	Likes to take responsibility and organise things. Orderly, duty-bound, systematic, thorough.
BABA	Hardworking, meticulous, patient, responsible. Gives stability to people and projects.
BAAB	Onlooker. Quietly observing and analysing life. Independent, logical, realistic.
BABB	Retiring, sensitive, caring, gentle. Dislikes disagreement and does not force opinions on others.
BBBA	Individualistic, intense. Determined and committed to their ideals, principles and work.
BBAA	Has great drive for their own ideas and interests. Sceptical and critical of others. Stubborn.
BBBB	Reserved, curious and reticent until they know someone well. Warm, loyal, enthusiastic.
BBAB	Logical, analytical, precise, likes solving problems. Scientific interests. Doesn't like small talk.
AAAB	Practical, mechanically-minded, versatile, tolerant. Good at on-the-spot problem solving.
AABB	Outgoing, sociable, friendly, enjoys everything. Sporty and active. Has a lot of common sense.
AAAA	Likes to organise and control. Direct, impersonal, matter-of-fact, business-minded, systematic.
AABA	Warm-hearted, helpful, co-operative, hard-working, talkative. Needs harmony around them.
ABBB	Able to do almost anything if interested. High-spirited, imaginative, spontaneous, quick-thinking.
ABAB	Quick, outspoken, resourceful, clever. Likes to play 'devil's advocate'. Doesn't like routine.
ABBA	Concerned about what others think. Considerate, sympathetic, diplomatic, supportive.
ABAA	Frank, fair, tough, decisive. Intelligent, knowledgeable, confident. Good at reasoning.

# 7 Party

#### Parties, 5

#### Are you a party animal or a party pooper?

KE	v		-	What it means
I.L	a			If you scored between 6 and 10: You are
		b = 2		definitely the life and soul of any party.
2	a = 2	b = 3	c = 1	If you scored between 11 and 14:
3	a = 1	b = 3	c = 2	You could afford to let your hair down
4	a = 3	b = 1	c = 1	occasionally.
5	a = 2	b = 1	c = 3	If you scored between 15 and 18: You
6	a = 3	b = 2	c = 1	obviously like the quiet life – but you don't have to take everything so seriously!

# 11 Journey

#### Coast to coast, 3

He removed the seat. On the underside was the inscription:

'To Elvis, love James Dean.'

# 16 Review 2

#### Doing the right thing

Answers	What it means	
(1) F (2) T (3) F - it's three times (4) T (5) F (6) T	If you scored between 15 and 20: you're either extremely well-travelled or extremely intuitive. You'll have no problems wherever you go.	
<ul> <li>(7) T</li> <li>(8) F – but you can with animals</li> <li>(9) F</li> <li>(10) F</li> <li>(11) T</li> </ul>	If you scored between 10 and 15: you should be OK in most situations, but be careful!	
<ul> <li>(12) F - except on someone's 20th birthday when you give them 20</li> <li>(13) T</li> <li>(14) F - in most stalles it's slatson</li> <li>(15) F</li> </ul>	If you scored between 5 and 10: you might make life difficult for yourself from time to time, but you'll survive.	
(15) F (16) F (17) F (18) F (19) F (20) T	If you scored between 0 and 5: don't go anywhere without a good friend!	

# 1 Friends

#### Noughts & Crosses, 1

#### Team B

#### FACTS FOR QUIZ QUESTIONS:

Choose ten facts and write questions for them.

- 1 JF Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas.
- 2 An insect has got six legs.
- 3 The longest river in Europe is the Volga.
- 4 Picasso was from Spain.
- 5 Madonna's first name is 'Madonna'.
- 6 The last president of the USSR was Mikhail Gorbachev.
- 7 Yuri Gagarin was the first man in space.
- 8 The first modern Olympic Games were in Athens.
- 9 Patagonia is in Argentina.
- 10 Roger Moore was the third James Bond.
- 11 Mount Etna is in Sicily.
- 12 Quito is the capital of Ecuador.
- 13 Mickey Mouse has got four fingers.
- 14 The longest river in the world is the Nile.
- 15 The ancient city of Petra is in Jordan.
- 16 Riyadh is the capital of Saudi Arabia.
- 17 Uruguay were the first country to win the World Cup.

# 6 News

#### The passive voice, 6

#### Student C

You are the editor for your group. You will need a pen and a piece of paper.

Explain the task to your partners.

- 1 Ask your partners to read their stories aloud.
- 2 Discuss the two versions and decide together which are the best parts from each one. Sometimes the passive is better, sometimes the active is better, and sometimes it doesn't matter.
- 3 Ask your partners to dictate the best parts to you and write the final versions of the three stories.
- 4 When you have finished, think of a headline for each story.

# 3 Dating

#### A boyfriend's worst nightmare, 3

'Pleased to meet you,' I lied.

'Hi, I'm Eddie,' he said, 'and this is my fiancée, Sarah. We got engaged last week.'

I mumbled something and shook both their hands. At that moment, an enormous weight was lifted from my mind. Eddie is in fact a great guy and we get on really well together. But best of all, he's completely devoted to his girlfriend.

# 7 Party

#### Phrasal verbs, 4

#### Call My Bluff

*Call My Bluff* was a popular TV game in the UK for many years. The aim of the game is for teams to guess the correct meaning of words.

#### Team B

1 Invent two false definitions for each of the phrasal verbs below:

**cut down on.** If you *cut down on* something you consume or do less of it. **get down.** If something or someone *gets you down* it makes you unhappy. **let down.** If you *let* someone *down* you disappoint them. **take after.** If you *take after* a member of your family, you resemble them in your appearance, your behaviour, or your character.

- 2 Read out your three definitions (one true, two false) for the first phrasal verb. Team A guess which definition is correct. If they guess correctly, they get a point. If they guess incorrectly, you get a point.
- 3 Now listen to Team A's definitions and guess the correct one. Take turns. The winning team is the team with the most points.
- 4 If you want to continue the game, here is an extra set of phrasal verbs:

**get over.** To recover from an unpleasant experience or an illness. **put off.** If you *put* something *off* you delay doing it. *The* 

match was put off for a week because of the heavy rain.

**take up.** To start a hobby or an activity. *I've taken up scuba-diving* **turn down**. If you *turn down* a person or their request or offer, you refuse their request or offer.
# Verb structures

# **Basic structures**

		TEM	MODALS	
ASPECT	VOICE	Present	Past	will (would, must)
simple	active	He writes letters.	He wrote letters.	He will write letters.
	passive	Letters are written.	Letters were written.	Letters will be written.
continuous	active	He is writing letters.	He was writing letters.	He will be writing letters.
	passive	Letters are being written.	Letters were being written.	Letters will be being written.*
perfect	active	He has written letters.	He had written letters.	He will have written letters.
	passive	Letters have been written.	Letters had been written.	Letters will have been written

\* rarer structure

# Present simple

See units 1 and 2.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
1/You/We/They write.	1/You/We/They don't (do not) write.	Do I/you/we/they write?
He/She/It writes.	He/She/It doesn't (does not) write.	Does he/she/it write?

# Present continuous

# See units 1, 2 and 7.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
I'm (am) writing.	I'm not (am not) writing.	Am I writing?
You/We/They're (are) writing.	You/We/They're not/aren't (are not) writing.	Are you/we/they writing?
He/She/It's (is) writing.	He/She/It isn't (is not) writing.	Is he/she/it writing?

# **Present perfect**

See units 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
I/You/We/They've (have) written.	l/You/We/They haven't (have not) written.	Have 1/you/we/ they written?
He/She/It's (has) written.	He/She/It hasn't (has not) written.	Has he/she/it written?

Note: see list of irregular verbs on page 147.

# Past simple

# See units 1, 3 and 4.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
I/You/He/She/It/ We/They wrote.	I/You/He/She/Jt/ We/They didn't (did not) write.	Did I/you/he/she/ it/we/they write?

Note: see list of irregular verbs on page 147.

# Past continuous

See units 1 and 4.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
I/He/She/It was writing.	1/He/She/lt wasn't (was not) writing.	Was 1/he/she/it writing?
You/We/They were writing.	You/We/They weren't (were not) writing.	Were you/we/they writing?

# Past perfect

See units 1 and 11.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
I/You/He/She/It/ We/They'd (had) written.	1/You/He/She/It/ We/They hadn't (had not) written.	Had I/you/he/she/ it/we/they written?

Note: see list of irregular verbs on page 147.

# Future forms

# Will

See units 7 and 10.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
Simple 1/You/He/She/It/ We/They will write.	l/You/He/She/It/ We/They won't write.	Will I/you/he/she/ it/we/they write?
Continuous I/You/He/She/It/ We/They will be writing.	I/You/He/She/It/ We/They won't be writing.	Will I/you/he/she/ it/we/they be writing?
Perfect 1/You/He/She/It/ We/They will have written.	I/You/He/She/lt/ We/They won't have written.	Will I/you/he/she/ it/we/they have written?

Future (be) going to See unit 7.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
I'm (am) going to write.	I'm not (am not) going to write.	Am I going to write?
You/We/They're (are) going to write.	You/We/They 're not/aren't (are not) going to write.	Are you/we/they going to write?
He/She/It's (is) going to write.	He/She/It isn't (is not) going to write.	Is he/she/it going to write?

Present continuous for future See unit 7.

# Modals

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A modal verb has the same forms in all persons. For example: I/You/He/She/It/We/They can come.

Affirmative	Negative	Question
Can: see units 1, 1	0 and 11.	
I can come.	I can't (cannot) come.	Can I come?
Could: see units 1	and 11.	
I could come.	l couldn't (could not) come.	Could I come?
Must: see units 1,	10 and 11.	
I must come.	I mustn't (must not) come.	Must I come?
May: see units 1 a	nd 11.	
I may come.	I may not come.	May I come?
Might: see unit 1		
I might come.	I mightn't (might not) come.	Might I come?
Shall: see unit 1.		
I'll (shall) come.	I shan't (shall not) come.	Shall I come?
Shall is usually only	used with questions in the	first person (I and we)
Should: see units	1 and 10.	
I should come.	I shouldn't (should	Should I

	not) come.	come?
Will: see units 1, 7, 9	), 10 and 13.	
I'll (will) come.	I won't (will not) come.	Will I come?
Would: see units 1,	5, 11, 14 and 15.	
I'd (would) come.	I wouldn't (would not) come.	Would I come?

# Reported speech with backshift

See unit 9.

Present		
'l write.'		he wrote.
'I'm writing.'	He said/told me	he was writing.
'l've written.'		he had written.
Past		
'I have written.'		he had written.
'I was writing.'	He said/told me	he had been writing
Modals		
'I will/would.'		he would.
'l can/could.'	He said/told me	he could.
'l must.'		he had to. *
*Must has no past for	m. The practical solution	is often to use had to.
Questions		
'Do you work here?		if I worked there.
When are you		when I was
leaving?'	He asked me	leaving.
'Have you been to		if I had been to
Istanbul?'		Istanbul.
Imperative		
'Come to my office.'	He told me	to come to his office

# **Real conditionals**

See	unit	13.
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If clause	Main clause
If you have any problems,	call me.
	I'll help you.
If you aren't going to the theatre,	can I have your ticket?
	do you want to come out
	for a meal?
If you've finished your work,	you can go home.
	go and help Annie.

# **Unreal conditionals**

See units 14 and 15.

If clause	Main clause
If you were better organised,	you wouldn't have so many problems. you wouldn't have had that problem yesterday.
If I'd known earlier,	I wouldn't be in this situation now. I could have done something about it.

# I wish ...

See units 14 and 15.

Fact	Wish
I'm not rich.	I wish I was/were rich.
l dìdn't study hard at school.	I wish I'd (had) studied harder at school.

Grammar
glossary
modal auxiliary main verb adjective conjunction verb l l l l l l l l l Learn these useful words and you can understand more about the language you are studying. determiner noun pronoun main preposition noun auxiliary verb verb
Agents are people or things that perform an action in a passive sentence. For example: <i>He was brought up by his grandparents.</i>
Backshift is when a verb moves 'one tense back' in a conditional clause or reported statement. For example: ' <i>1 can't come.</i> ' → <i>He said he couldn't come.</i>
Clauses are groups of words containing a verb. For example: He said that he'll be late. main clause subordinate clause NB: subordinate clauses are introduced by conjunctions.
<b>Collocations</b> refer to words that frequently occur together. For example: <i>Common sense Get on well Merry Christmas</i> .
Complements refer to adjective or noun phrases which give more information about the subject of a clause. For example: She was very happy It's my fault I feel a complete idiot. NB: usually after verbs like be, seem, feel.
<ul> <li>Expressions are groups of words that belong together where the words and word order never or rarely change.</li> <li>For example: black and white That reminds me, 1 must buy some toothpaste How do you do?</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Objects usually come after the verb and show who or what is affected by the verb.</li> <li>For example: She closed the window My neighbour hates me I've made a cup of tea.</li> <li>NB: some verbs take a direct object (DO) and indirect object (IO).</li> <li>For example: She gave him (IO) a kiss (DO) He sent her (IO) some flowers (DO) I teach students (IO) English (DO).</li> </ul>
<b>Partitives</b> used with <i>of</i> can make uncountable nouns countable. For example: <i>a litre of petrol a piece of advice an item of news</i> .
Relative clauses can be either defining or non-defining. A defining relative clause is necessary to identify the person or thing being talked about in the main clause. For example: <i>The people who live next door have got three kids.</i> A non-defining relative clause is not necessary for identification and just gives extra information.
For example: The Smiths, who have got three children, live next door. NB: relative clauses are usually introduced by relative pronouns who, that or which or by relative adverbs whose, when, where, why.
Subjects usually come before the verb and refer to the main person or thing you are talking about.
For example: <i>Money</i> doesn't grow on trees My tailor is rich The biggest rock and roll group in the world have started their world tour.

# Phonetic symbols

# **VOWELS AND DIPHTHONGS**

VOWELS AND DIPHTHONGS						
/1/	big fish	/big fi∫/ /gri:n bi:nz/				
/i:/	green beans					
/0/	should look	/ Jud luk/				
/u:/	blue moon	/blu: mu:n/				
/e/	ten eggs	/ten egz/				
/ə/	about mother	/əbaut mʌðə/				
/3:/	learn words	/l3:n w3:dz/				
/a:/	short talk	/ [o:t to:k/				
/æ/	fat cat	/fæt kæt/				
/ ]	must come	/mast kam/				
/a:/	calm start	/ka:m sta:t/				
/o/	hot spot	/hot spot/				
/12/	ear	/19/				
/ei/	face	/feis/				
/uə/	pure	/pjuð <sup>r</sup> /				
/ 21/	boy	/boi /				
/20/	nose	/nauz/				
/ea/	hair	/heə/				
/a1/	eye	/aɪ/				
/au/	mouth	/maue/				
CONSC	NANTS					
/p/	pen	/pen/				
/b/	bad	/bæd/				
/t/	tea	/ti:/				
/d/	dog	/dog/				
/tʃ/	church	/tʃ3:tʃ/				
/d3/	jazz	/d3æz/				
/k/	cost	/kost/				
/g/	girl	/g3:l/				
/f/	far	/ fɑ:r/				
/v/	voice	/vəis/				
/e/	thin	/em/				
/ð/	then	/ðen/				
/s/	snake	/sneik/				
/z/	noise	/nəiz/				
/ʃ/	shop	/ʃop/				
/3/	measure	/meʒə́r/				
/m/	make	/meik/				
/n/ ·	nine	/nain/				
/ŋ/	sing	/sıŋ/				
/h/	house	/haos/				
/1/	leg	/leg/				
/r/	red	/red/				
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# STRESS

wet

yes

/w/

/j/

In this book, word stress is shown by underlining the stressed syllable. For example: water /wo:tər/; result /risalt/; disappointing /disapointin/

/wet/

/jes/

# LETTERS OF THE ALPHABET

/e1/	/i:/	/e/	/ar/	/əʊ/	/u:/	/a:/
Aa	Bb	Ff	li	Oo	Qq	Rr
Hh	Cc	LI	Yy		Uu	
Jj	Dd	Mm			Ww	
Kk	Ee	Nn				
	Gg	Ss				
	Pp	Xx				
	Tt	Zz				
	Vv					

# Irregular verbs

Infinitive	Past simple	Past participle	Infinitive	Past simple	Past participle
be	was/were	been	lie	lay/lied	lied/lain
beat	beat	beaten	light	lit/lighted	lit/lighted
become	became	become	lose	lost	lost
begin	began	begun	make	made	made
bend	bent	bent	mean	meant	meant
bet	bet	bet	meet	met	met
bite	bit	bitten	must	had to	(had to)
blow	blew	blown	pay	paid	paid
break	broke	broken	put	put	put
bring	brought	brought	read	read /red/	read / red/
build	built	built	ride	rode	ridden
burn	burnt/burned	burnt/burned	ring	rang	rung
burst	burst	burst	rise	rose	risen
buy	bought	bought	run	ran	run
can	could	(been able)	say	said	said
catch	caught	caught	see	saw	seen
choose	chose	chosen	sell	sold	sold
come	came	come	send	sent	sent
	cost	cost	set	set	set
cost	cut	cut	shake	shook	shaken
cut		dealt	shine		shone
deal	dealt		shoot	shone shot	
do	did	done			shot
draw	drew	drawn	show	showed	shown
dream	dreamt/dreamed	dreamt/dreamed	shrink	shrank	shrunk
drink	drank	drunk	shut	shut	shut
drive	drove	driven	sing	sang	sung
eat	ate	eaten	sink	sank	sunk
fall	fell	fallen	sit	sat	sat
feed	fed	fed	sleep	slept	slept
feel	felt	felt	slide	slid	slid
fight	fought	fought	smell	smelt/smelled	smelt/smelled
find	found	found	speak	spoke	spoken
fly	flew	flown	spell	spelt/spelled	spelt/spelled
forget	forgot	forgotten	spend	spent	spent
forgive	forgave	forgiven	spill	spilt/spilled	spilt/spilled
freeze	froze	frozen	split	split	split
get	got	got	spoil	spoilt/spoiled	spoilt/spoiled
give	gave	given	spread	spread	spread
go	went	gone/been	stand	stood	stood
grow	grew	grown	steal	stole	stolen
hang	hung/hanged	hung/hanged	stick	stuck	stuck
have	had	had	swear	swore	sworn
hear	heard	heard	swell	swelled	swollen/swelled
hide	hid	hidden	swim	swam	swum
hit	hit	hit	take	took	taken
hold	held	held	teach	taught	taught
hurt	hurt	hurt	tear	tore	torn
keep	kept	kept	tell	told	told
kneel	knelt/kneeled	knelt/kneeled	think	thought	thought
know	knew	known	throw	threw	thrown
lay	laid	laid	understand	understood	understood
lead	led	led	wake	woke	woken
	learnt/learned	learnt/learned	18.8.855.56		
learn			wear	wore	worn
leave	left	left	win	won	won
lend	lent	lent	write	wrote	written
let	let	let			

# **Tapescripts**

# 1 Friends

# • 01

- (1 = Interviewer; C = Celebrity)
- Could you tell us a little bit about Ŀ vourself?
- Sure. C.
- First of all, where were you born? Ŀ
- C: I was born in London, but I've got dual nationality because my mother's from Nicaragua.
- Do you still live in London? I.
- No, I'm living in Ibiza now. C:
- Oh, really? How long have you been Ŀ there? C Not long. I moved from London with
- my two daughters, Assisi and Amba, about six months ago. Are you happy there? Ŀ
- C Yeah, very happy. We love the outdoor life. Also, my mother's a Spanish speaker and I feel more comfortable in a Latin country.
- Have you made any new friends? Ŀ
- Yeah, I've made lots of new friends C. here. A few English, but my two best friends are Argentinian and Spanish.
- What do you do for a living? Ŀ I'm a painter, but I've recently started a C: jewellery business with a friend, and that takes up most of my time. I also do some modelling when I need the cash!
- And what do you do in your free time? Ŀ C Well, with a business and two young children I don't have much free time,
- but I love reading and listening to music.
- Ŀ What sort of music do you like?
- All sorts: pop music and classical. C:
- Do you ever listen to the Rolling Ŀ Stones?
- C: No, never, but don't tell my father.
- Ŀ How often do you see your parents?
- Not very often. My mother's in New C York and my father's often on tour. But we all love big family get-togethers.
- You've obviously travelled a lot. What's Ŀ your favourite place in the world?
- That's a difficult question because I've C been to so many amazing places, but 1 think Brazil is my favourite. The children love it there too.
- Ŀ Finally, can I ask one last question who chose your name?
- I think my father chose it. My mother C wanted me to have a Spanish name.

# 02

- a) Where were you born?
- Do you still live in London? b)
- How long have you been there? c)
- Are you happy there? d)
- Have you made any new friends? e)
- f) What do you do for a living?
- What do you do in your free time? g)
- What sort of music do you like? h)
- Do you ever listen to the Rolling i) Stones?
- j) How often do you see your parents? What's your favourite place in the k)
- world?
- D Who chose your name?

# • 03

- (B = Balvir; T = Tim)
- ... No, I went out with my friend last B. night. Well, actually, she's my best friend. Have you ever met her?
- T: Er, I don't know.
- Lisa? B:
- T: You told me about her.
- I did. She's the Greek girl. B:
- Er, yeah. T:
- B: Really pretty ... and she's got long, dark hair and she's um, she's very petite. Um, yeah, we had a great time. We met ... gosh ... we've known each other now ... about 15 years. Can you believe that?
- T: Oh. wow.
- B. Yeah, we met ... I was working for her dad. He had a casino. Oh, I tell you, those were wild days but, er, we met working there together and um, she's a sister, a younger sister, and she doesn't get along with her very well, so I always like to say that I'm like her sister. I'm like the sister she never had.
- T-Hah, hah, hah ...
- B: We don't have a lot in common, but, er ... cause she doesn't work, she's a fulltime mum. She's got a little boy. T: Oh, yeah.
- He's about ... he's about 11 now ... B: difficult age. Hum. Uhm, um, but we still get together about once or twice a month, and it's always good to see her. T: Nice.
- B: Yeah

# • 04

- (See page 11.)
- 05

# You've Got a Friend by the Brand New Heavies

When you're down and troubled And you need some loving care And nothing, no, is going right Close your eyes and think of me Oh, and soon I will be there To brighten up even your darkest night

You just call out my name And you know wherever I am I'll come running, yeah, to see you again Don't you know that winter, spring, summer or fall All you've got to do is call And I'll be there, yes I will You've got a friend (You've got a friend in me)

Ain't it good to know that you've got a friend People can be so cold They'll hurt you and desert you Take your very soul if you let them So don't let them

You just call out my name And you know wherever I am I'll come running, yeah, to see you again Don't you know that winter, spring, summer or fall All you've got to do is call And I'll be there, yes I will You've got a friend (You've got a friend) You've got a friend (You've got a friend in me ...)

# 2 Relax

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# Barbara

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- (I = Interviewer; B = Barbara) Do you think you're a relaxed person?
- Yes, I think so. B:
- Ŀ What do you think of The Little Book of Calm?
- B: Well, I think it's interesting, but I work from eight thirty in the morning until about seven in the evening, so I don't have much time to relax. I never have time for a nap during the day. I have a massage from time to time, but I hardly ever have a leisurely bath.
- Do you ever do any physical exercise? Ŀ
- Yes, I go to the gym two or three times B: a week and I sometimes walk to work.
- And how do you relax in the evenings? I have a glass of wine and watch B: television.

# Robert

- (I = Interviewer; R = Robert)
- Do you think you're a relaxed person? Ŀ
- I don't know I thought I was until 1 R:
- read The Little Book of Calm. What do think of it? Ŀ
- Hah ... I think it's rubbish. I mean, I R: like warm water, but only if it's got tea or coffee in it. And I've never had a massage or a nap during the day, but I don't get stressed out very often.
- Ŀ How do you relax when you're not working?
- R: Well, I go for a walk in the park now and again. I often read in the evening. I like reading, but I'm so tired after work that I frequently fall asleep with a book in my hands and the light on.

# Peter

- (I = Interviewer; P = Peter)
- Do you think you're a relaxed person? Ŀ
- Oh, yes, definitely. P: Ŀ
- What do you think of The Little Book of Calm?
- P: I think it's brilliant. It's changed my life
- Really? Which advice do you follow? I:
- P: I never drink tea or coffee. I drink two glasses of milk every morning and a cup of hot water in the evening. Um, I go running every morning before work and I spend at least 10 minutes alone in a quiet room when I get home in the evening. Then I float in the bath for about 20 minutes.
- What does your wife think about that? Ŀ
- Oh, she thinks I'm mad. p.

# Sally

- (I = Interviewer; S = Sally)
- Do you think you're a relaxed person? Ŀ
- S: Not really.
- Why not? I:
- I don't think I'm very good at relaxing. S: I don't like sitting around doing nothing.
- So what do you do in your free time? I:
- S: Well, I've got three children, so I don't have much free time. But once a month, I get a babysitter and go dancing with my friends. We laugh a lot, and that's what I find relaxing.
- What do you think of The Little Book of Ŀ Calm?
- S I don't think it was written for people with three children.

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# 1

- Which is your favourite track on the A: album?
- The last one it's amazing. I can't wait B: to see them live.

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- What did you think of it? C
- I thought the acting was brilliant and D: the photography's superb. Apart from that, it was dead boring.
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- E: Have you finished it yet?
- F: Nearly
- What's it like? E:
- F: Really good. I reckon it's going to be a best-seller.
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- G: I enjoyed that. What did you think of it?
- H: I thought it was rubbish a sentimental tearjerker - and the ending was so predictable.
- G: Well, it made you cry anyway.
- H: No, it didn't I've got a cold.

# 5

- 1: Are you enjoying it?
- Yeah, I found it a bit difficult to get Ŀ into, but now that I'm past the first few chapters, I can't put it down.

- K: What did you think of the special effects?
- What special effects? L
- K: It was all done with computers.
- L: Oh, no ... I thought it was real. You've spoilt it now.

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- M: Did you have a good time?
- N: Not really ... I can't stand all that techno stuff. I like it when you can actually hear the lyrics.
- M: Old hippy.
- What did you say? N:
- M: Nothing.

# **08**

[Film music]

# 3 Dating

# - 09

# Tom and Kathy

- (J = Journalist; K = Kathy)
- Kathy, we last heard from you when Ŀ you were about to meet Tom for the first time
- K: That's right. It was easier for me to take time off work, so I booked a flight to Denver.
- Wow! That's a long way to go for a I: date! And rather expensive too.
- K: Oh, we shared the cost of the flight. Tom's a very generous man. Anyway, he arranged to meet me at the airport. And when was that?
- K:
- It was almost a year ago. I felt really nervous, but I couldn't wait to meet Tom
- And was he there?
- Oh, yes. I spotted him immediately. He K. looked just like his photograph. Hah. Was it love at first sight?
- K: I'm afraid not. I couldn't have
- predicted what happened but something put me off him straightaway. I didn't even leave the airport. I just turned round and came straight back to Ireland. We haven't been in touch since that day.
- Wow, what was it that put you off? Well, it's going to sound really stupid,
- but I hated his shoes.

# Lisa and Joel

- (J = Journalist; L = Lisa; Jo = Joel)
- Lisa and Joel, are you still married? Ŀ
- Oh, yes, very much so. We've been L: married for a year now. In fact we've just celebrated our first wedding anniversary.
- Oh, congratulations! How have your I: lives changed since your unusual marriage?
- Io: Well, my mother hasn't spoken to me since the day we got married! Hah. That's the good news. Hah, hah, hah.
- But, no, I'm joking. We're really upset Io: about it. But we've moved away from our home town.
- Really? Why did you decide to do that? Io:
- Well, everybody knew about the competition and the wedding and we turned into tourist attractions. We couldn't walk down the street without strangers coming up to us and asking us all these personal questions.
- So, where do you live now?
- Jo: In Adelaide. Er, we've been there for about six months now, and we love it.

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- What's a nice girl like you doing in a a) place like this?
- b) You know, I'm not just an interesting person, I have a body too.
- I'm in advertising. Would you like to be c) in our next photo shoot?
- d) Do you believe in love at first sight or do I have to walk past you again?
- A: Do you have a boyfriend? e) B: Yes.
  - A: Want another one?
- Ð Your father must be a thief, because he's stolen the stars from the sky and put them in your eyes.

g) I've just moved next door and I was wondering if you could recommend a good restaurant nearby. Would you like to join me?

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- (R= Rose; M = Meg)
- What do you think of Jake? R:
- He's all right. M:
- R. You don't like him, do you?
- M: Well, he wasn't exactly friendly.
- R: Oh, he's just a bit shy, that's all.
- Shy? You must be joking. Five minutes M: after meeting me he asked me to buy him a drink! That's not what I call shy! OK, that was a bit cheeky, but he's
- broke. M: Huh, I'm not particularly well-off
- myself and I'm trying to save up for my holiday. All right, all right, I'll pay you back. R:
- He's not bad-looking, though, is he?
- No, I suppose not but he knows it. I M: think he's really big-headed. R:
- You're just jealous.
- No, I'm not. I don't want him. He's M: mean, big-headed and stupid.
- What do you mean stupid? You're not R: exactly Miss Einstein yourself. M:
- Shut up! R:
- No, you shut up! M: Mum!

# 4 Adrenalin

Yes, I have.

Yes, I have.

Were you scared?

Interview with Jane Couch

(I = Interviewer; JC = Jane Couch)

Now this is a question that everyone

how did you get interested in boxing?

boxing in America about six years ago,

it was there, just a li ... a little television

programme, it was about an hour long,

and I ... I watched the programme and

fascinated from there on in, from like a

half an hour programme, I just went ...

And were you interested in sport at

anything. I used to smoke. I used to

How long did it take you to get fit?

that I'm at, it took me ... about two

years to reach ... to reach the level I

And do you know how many female

boxers there are in ... the ... in Britain?

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In the UK, um, there's ... there's about three hundred women boxing as

JC: It took me, I'd say, to get to the level

drink. Um, just didn't look after meself

at all. Didn't eat very well, and this just

it just changed my life, I was just

'I'm going to do that'.

JC: No, nothing. I wasn't even fit or

changed my life. Hah ...

needed to be at.

asks you, I know, but, h ... when ...

JC: I saw a documentary about women

Was it good?

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B:

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C:

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IC:

school?

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Have you ever been skydiving? A:

Have you ever been surfing?

D: Scared? I was absolutely terrified!

Good? It was absolutely incredible!

amateurs, and there's about eight women boxing professionally in the UK at the moment, but throughout the world there's about thirty thousand women, throughout the world.

- And what do your critics say? Ŀ
- JC: Um, at ... at the ... at the outset it was difficult. It was, like, women shouldn't box, you know, ... they shouldn't be doing this, and they shouldn't be doing that, and should be at home looking after the kids, and everything. But, um ... and she's never be as good as a man, but my last three fights have been live on TV. I've just signed a five fo ... fight deal with Bravo Television.
- What do you think are the prime, um, Ŀ skills to have as a boxer.
- JC: Um, believe it or not, you've got to be .. you've got to have a pretty good brain to be a good boxer. Anyone can fight, but to make it to the top you've to know your skills, and you've to have a pretty cute brain, and ... and the fitness ... the fitness side of it is very, very important.
- And how do you relax? Ŀ
- JC: I don't. I never do ... I ... I nev ... I don't sleep much. I just ... and when I do, I dream about boxing, and when I'm trying to get to sleep it's about my fights. I'm just, I can't ... I work really hard. I'm just constantly working, working ....
- How do you prepare for a match? ŀ
- IC: Um, for a ... for a ten-round, um, world title fight, obviously I go to training camp just outside Bristol, for eight weeks before each fight, and, um, once I go to training camp that's it. I don't do anything. I've got a ... a very good trainer, I've got a very good team round me, so ...
- I: Have you ever been seriously hurt in a match?
- JC: Er, not really seriously. Not lasting damage. Things that take a couple of weeks to mend, like broken cheek bone, broken nose, lost a few teeth, but just, er ...
- 1: Your teeth look great to me from where I'm sitting, I can tell you ...
- JC: Hah ... no, I only lost the back ones. Hah, hah ..
- Now, just finally, do you think you've I: changed since your success.
- JC: Um, changed as a person? I ... I ... I think ... I think I've changed as in ... in the life-style that I live now, is um, it's just constantly I'm travelling. I live out of a suitcase. But I think, um, as a person, definitely not, no, I've j ... my feet are just so firmly on the ground, you wouldn't believe it. Um, ...
- I would believe it, having met you. I Ŀ can assure you.
- IC: Hah.
- And, just lastly, when's your next big I: fight?
- JC: Er, the next one's going to be the end of February, beginning of March. I'm going to be defending my world ... my three world titles.
- And where will it be? Ŀ
- JC: In London! Hah, hah.
- Well, that's great. Thank you very, very I: much.

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- a (I = Interviewer; B = Ben)
- Have you ever had a sports injury? I:
- Yes, I have. I was playing rugby for the B: local team and it was just after kick-off. I was jumping up to catch the ball when a player from the other team knocked me over and I fell heavily on my left leg. Oh, dear. Were you badly hurt?
- I:
- Ah, yes, I twisted my ankle and B: couldn't play rugby for more than three months.
- b
- (I = Interviewer; D = Dina)
- Have you ever been in a dangerous I: situation?
- Yes, I ... I have. I was walking my dog D: one day with my sister and we were crossing this field. There was a horse in it and it suddenly started running towards us, looking really mad.
- I: What did you do?
- D: Well, I know you're not supposed to run away from animals because they can sense your fear. But we ran away as fast as we could.
- c
- (I = Interviewer; F = Frank)
- Ŀ Have you ever broken a bone?
- Yes, I've broken my nose twice. The F: first time I was playing football and one of the other players hit me in the face. The second time, I was playing tennis. I missed the ball and it hit me right on my nose.

# d

- (I = Interviewer; P = Paula)
- Have you ever been really frightened? Ŀ
- Yes, I have. Last summer I was driving P: on the motorway in Spain and we were getting close to Barcelona. So I got into the right-hand lane ready to turn off the motorway when this car screeched up next to me, pulled in front of me and slammed on his brakes. I don't know how I managed to slow down fast enough to avoid him. I've never been so frightened in my life.

# e)

- (I = Interviewer; G = Glenn)
- I: Have you ever thought you were going to die?
- G: Yeah. It was when I was eight or nine and I was at the beach with my parents. I was playing in the sea, but on the edge because I couldn't swim. Suddenly, I realised that I couldn't feel the bottom and the sea was pulling me further away from the beach. For a few seconds, I panicked and I started swallowing a lot of water. Then I felt really calm, as if I was floating away. I was drowning. Fortunately, someone saw me and pulled me out in time.

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# George

- (I = Interviewer; G = George)
- George, is it similar to skiing? Ŀ
- Actually, it's slightly easier and I think G: it's a lot more exhilarating.
- Ŀ Is it cheaper?
- No, not really. The equipment is just as G: expensive.
- l: What do you need?

- G: A board, of course, and that can cost about £400. Then you have to have bindings to attach your feet to the board, and you also need special clothes and boots which are quite expensive.
- Is it as popular as skiing? Ŀ
- G: With young people, yes.

# Katrina

- (I = Interviewer; K = Katrina)
- Katrina, where did you learn? Ŀ
- K: I did my preliminary certificate in Malta when I was on holiday.
- I suppose you have to learn in the sea, don't you? I mean, you don't live near the sea, do you?
- K: Er, no, but I could have had lessons at home in a lake, although it's much more pleasant to learn in the Mediterranean because it's nice and warm.
- I: Did you have to buy all the equipment?
- No, you can hire it but it's far better to K: have your own wetsuit because it's important for it to be exactly the right size.
- I: Are lessons very expensive?
- Quite expensive, but it's worth having K: lessons with professionals because it's much safer. )
- Were you nervous on your first dive? Ŀ
- Yes, but it was one of the most amazing K. experiences I've ever had.

# Paul

- (I = Interviewer; P = Paul)
- Paul, who do you support? I:
- P: I used to support Notts Forest, but then I changed to Man U.
- I: Why?
- P: Because they're by far the most exciting team in England.
- I: Did you watch their last match?
- Yes. They didn't play as well as usual P: and one of their best players was sent off in the first half. I:
- Why? Er, the referee said that he kicked a P:
- player from the other team.
- Ŀ So, did they lose?
- P: No, it was a draw.

# Eva

- (I = Interviewer; E = Eva)
- Eva, was it your first time? Ŀ
- E: Yes, and it was amazing.
- What did you have to do? I:
- Well, the first time you do it they attach E: the elastic around your waist and you just jump. At first, you free fall, and then the elastic pulls you back and you bounce up and down a few times. How did it feel? I:
- Incredible. ... I can't explain the feeling E: ... it's ... it's much better than anything else I've ever done. It's exciting, but it isn't nearly as frightening as you imagine.
- Ŀ What made you do it?
- It was a birthday present and it's E: definitely the best birthday present I've ever had.



# *River Deep Mountain High* by Ike and Tina Turner

When I was a little girl

I had a rag doll

Only doll I've ever owned Now I love you just the way I loved that rag doll

But only now my love has grown

And it gets stronger, in every way

And it gets deeper, let me say

- And it gets higher, day by day
- And do I love you my oh my
- Yeah, river deep mountain high
- Yeah, yeah, yeah

If I lost you would I cry

Oh how I love you baby, baby, baby, baby

When you were a young boy, and Did you have a puppy were That always followed you around Well I'm gonna be as faithful as that puppy No I'll never let you down Cause it goes on and on, like a river flows And it gets bigger baby, and heaven knows And it gets sweeter baby, as it grows And do I love you my oh my Yeah, river deep mountain high Yeah, yeah, yeah If I lost you would I cry

Oh how I love you baby, baby, baby, baby

I love you baby like a flower loves the

spring

And I love you baby like a robin loves to sing

And I love you baby like a schoolboy loves his pet

And I love you baby, river deep mountain high

baby, baby, baby ... oh baby ... oh ... oh ...

Do I love you my oh my Yeah, river deep mountain high

Yeah, yeah, yeah

If I lost you would I cry

Oh how I love you baby, baby, baby, baby

# 5 Kids

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- A: Um, it's something that lived a l... a
- very long time ago. It looks very scary. B: A thing that lived long time ago.
- C: Um ... It's a big monster.

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- D: It's a man and, and um ... he lives in ... he lives up in space.
- E: It's someone who um ... made the world and um ... he made the animals.
- F: He's someone who lives ... who's died and he ... he, um ... looks down on
- people.
- G: He's a man up in heaven.
- H: A person that helps people, in heaven.
- I: It's something that's er ... er, very cold and it's in ... it's a ... it's a ... it's a, um ... it's a stone.
- J: It's something that crashes down on people and it's got ice.
- K: It's a sort of big piece of, um ... ice that cracks off a bigger piece.
- L: It's a big ice cube.

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M: A place where ... where animals ...

have been put up to show.

- N: Somewhere where um ... they show you things that are very old.
- O: It's somewhere where er, people will show things like dinosaurs and olden days things.
- P: A place ... a place that um ... you see loads and loads of ... you see bones or things and pictures.
- Q: It's in the country and you see dinosaur bones there.
- 5
- R: It's a person who takes toys away.
- S: It's someone that in the middle of the night ... and it's got um ... it's got a ... it's got um, a ba ... something around his face with, with, um ... round holes and he's ... he's got um ... a T-shirt that's got black and white and he robs things.
- T: It's someone who steals things when you're asleep.
- U: A person that steals things at night.

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(See page 46.)

# 19

Doctor Foster went to Gloucester In a shower of rain He stepped in a puddle right up to his middle And never went there again

# 20

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# 21

Her name was Mrs Pratchett. She was a small skinny old hag with a moustache on her upper lip and a mouth as sour as a green gooseberry. She never smiled.

Her apron was grey and greasy. Her blouse had bits of breakfast all over it, toastcrumbs and tea stains and splotches of dried egg-yolk. It was her hands, however, that disturbed us most. They were disgusting. They were black with dirt and grime.

And do not forget that it was these hands and fingers that she would plunge into the sweet-jars when we asked for a pennyworth of Treacle Toffee or Wine Gums or Nut Clusters or whatever. There were precious few health laws in those days, and nobody, least of all Mrs Pratchett, ever thought of using a little shovel for getting sweets out as they do today.

The other thing we hated Mrs Pratchett for was her meanness. Unless you spent a whole sixpence all in one go, she wouldn't give you a bag. Instead you got your sweets twisted up in a small piece of newspaper which she tore off a pile of old Daily Mirrors lying on the counter.

So you can well understand that we had it in for Mrs Pratchett in a big way, but we didn't quite know what to do about it. Many schemes were put forward, but none of them was any good. None of them, that is, until suddenly, one memorable afternoon, we found the dead mouse.

My four friends and I had come across a loose floor-board at the back of the classroom, and when we prised it up with the blade of a pocket-knife, we discovered a big hollow space underneath. This, we decided, would be our secret hiding place for sweets and other small treasures such as conkers and monkey-nuts and birds' eggs.

Every afternoon, when the last lesson was over, the five of us would wait until the classroom had emptied, then we would lift up the floor-board and examine our secret hoard, perhaps adding to it or taking something away.

One day, when we lifted it up, we found a dead mouse lying among our treasures. It was an exciting discovery.

Thwaites took it out by its tail and waved it in front of our faces. 'What shall we do with it?' he cried.

'It stinks!' someone shouted. 'Throw it out of the window!'

'Hold on a tick,' I said. 'Don't throw it away.'

Thwaites hesitated. They all looked at me.

When writing about oneself, one must strive to be truthful. Truth is more important than modesty. I must tell you, therefore, that it was I and I alone who had the idea for the great and daring Mobse Plot. We all have our moments of brilliance and glory, and this was mine.

'Why don't we', I said, 'slip it into one of Mrs Pratchett's jars of sweets? Then when she puts her dirty hand in to grab a handful, she'll grab a stinky dead mouse instead '

The other four stared at me in wonder.

Then, as the sheer genius of the plot began to sink in, they all started grinning. They slapped me on the back. They cheered me and danced around the classroom. 'We'll do it today!' they cried. 'We'll do it on the way home! You had the idea,' they said to me, 'so you can be the one to put the mouse in the jar.'

Thwaites handed me the mouse. I put it into my trouser pocket. Then the five of us left the school, crossed the village green and headed for the sweet-shop. We were tremendously jazzed up. We felt like a gang of desperados setting out to rob a train or blow up the sheriff's office.

We were the victors now and Mrs Pratchett was the victim. She stood behind the counter, and her small malignant pigeyes watched us suspiciously as we came forward.

'One Sherbet Sucker, please,' Thwaites said to her, holding out his penny.

I kept to the rear of the group, and when I saw Mrs Pratchett turn her head away for a couple of seconds to fish a Sherbet Sucker out of the box, I lifted the heavy glass lid of the Gobstopper jar and dropped the mouse in. Then I replaced the lid as silently as possible. My heart was thumping like mad and my hands had gone all sweaty.

As soon as we were outside, we broke into a run. 'Did you do it?' they shouted at me.

'Of course I did!' I said.

'Well done you!' they cried. What a super show!'

I felt like a hero. I was a hero. It was marvellous to be so popular.

The flush of triumph over the dead mouse was carried forward to the next

morning as we met again to walk to school. 'Let's go in and see if it's still in the jar,' somebody said as we approached the sweetshop.

'Don't,' Thwaites said firmly. 'It's too dangerous. Walk past as though nothing has happened.' As we came level with the shop we saw a cardboard notice hanging on the door. CLOSED.

We stopped and stared. We had never known the sweet-shop to be closed at this time in the morning, even on Sundays.

'What's happened?' we asked each other. 'What's going on?'

We pressed our faces against the window and looked inside. Mrs Pratchett was nowhere to be seen.

'Look!' I cried. 'The Gobstopper jar's gone! It's not on the shelf! There's a gap where it used to be!'

'It's on the floor!' someone said. 'It's smashed to bits and there's Gobstoppers

everywhere!' 'There's the mouse!' someone else shouted.

We could see it all, the huge glass jar smashed to smithereens with the dead mouse lying in the wreckage and hundreds of many-coloured Gobstoppers littering the floor.

'She got such a shock when she grabbed hold of the mouse that she dropped everything,' somebody was saying.

'But why didn't she sweep it all up and open the shop?' I asked.

Nobody answered me.

After a while, Thwaites broke the silence. 'She must have got one heck of a shock,' he said. He paused. We all looked at him, wondering what wisdom the great medical authority was going to come out with next.

'Well now,' Thwaites went on, 'when an old person like Mrs Pratchett suddenly gets a very big shock, I suppose you know what happens next?'

'What?' we said. 'What happens?' 'You ask my father,' Thwaites said.

'He'll tell you.'

'You tell us,' we said.

'It gives her a heart attack,' Thwaites announced. 'Her heart stops beating and she's dead in five seconds.'

For a moment or two my own heart stopped beating. Thwaites pointed a finger at me and said darkly, 'I'm afraid you've killed her.'

'Me?' I cried. 'Why just me?' 'It was your idea,' he said. 'And what's more, you put the mouse in.'

All of a sudden, I was a murderer.

At exactly that point, we heard the school bell ringing in the distance and we had to gallop the rest of the way so as not to be late for prayers.

The Headmaster is the only teacher at Llandaff Cathedral School that I can remember, and for a reason you will soon discover, I can remember him very clearly indeed. His name was Mr Coombes.

Mr Coombes now proceeded to mumble through the same old prayers we had every day, but this morning, when the last amen had been spoken, he did not turn and lead his group rapidly out of the Hall as usual. He remained standing before us, and it was clear he had an announcement to make.

'The whole school is to go out and line up around the playground immediately,' he said. 'Leave your books behind. And no talking.'

Mr Coombes was looking grim. His hammy pink face had taken on that dangerous scowl which only appeared when he was extremely cross and somebody was for the high-jump. I sat there small and frightened among the rows and rows of other boys, and to me at that moment the Headmaster, with his black gown draped over his shoulders, was like a judge at a murder trial.

'He's after the killer,' Thwaites whispered to me.

I began to shiver.

As we made our way out into the playground my whole stomach began to feel as though it was slowly filling up with swirling water. I am only eight years old, I told myself. No little boy of eight has ever murdered anyone. It's not possible.

I half-expected to see two policemen come bounding out of the school to grab me by the arms and put handcuffs on my wrists.

A single door led out from the school on to the playground. Suddenly it swung open and through it, like the angel of death, strode Mr Coombes, huge and bulky in his tweed suit and black gown, and beside him, believe it or not, right beside him trotted the tiny figure of Mrs Pratchett herself!

Mrs Pratchett was alive!

The relief was tremendous.

Suddenly she let out a high-pitched yell and pointed a dirty finger straight at Thwaites. 'That's 'im!' she yelled. 'That's one of 'em! I'd know 'im a mile away, the scummy little bounder!'

The entire school turned to look at Thwaites. 'W-what have I done?' he stuttered, appealing to Mr Coombes. 'Shut up,' Mr Coombes said.

Mrs Pratchett's eyes flicked over and settled on my own face. I looked down and studied the black asphalt surface of the playground.

'Ere's another of 'em!' I heard her yelling. 'That one there!' She pointed at me now. 'You're quite sure?' Mr Coombes said.

'Of course I'm sure!' she cried. 'I never forget a face, least of all when it's as sly as that! 'Ee's one of 'em all right! There was five altogether. Now where's them other three?'

The other three, I knew very well, were coming up next.

'There they are!' she cried out, stabbing the air with her finger. "Im ... and 'im ... and 'im! That's the five of 'em all right! We don't need to look no farther than this, 'Eadmaster! They're all 'ere, the nasty little pigs! You've got their names 'ave you?'

'I've got their names, Mrs Pratchett,' Mr Coombes told her. 'I'm very much obliged to you.'

# 6 News

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(A1 = Announcer 1; A2 = Announcer 2)

- A1: And here are the news headlines. Following severe droughts in Africa, the President of the USA has announced that he is going to send food and provisions to the people of Somalia, who have lost their homes and livelihood.
- A2: Robert Holmes, Minister for the Environment, has resigned. The Prime Minister has ordered an investigation into the mysterious disappearance of a large sum of money. A spokesman for the minister told us that he was out of the country and not available for comment.

- A1: Schoolgirl Pauline Gates has not been allowed back into school after the summer holidays, because she has had her nose pierced. According to headmistress Jean Bradley, Pauline knew that piercing was against the school rules. The girl will be allowed back into school when she removes the offending ring.
- A2: And finally, to end on a happier note, wedding bells are ringing for 81-yearold Max Williams, who won £16 million in the lottery last month. He's going to marry 22-year-old dancer Sally Lister. The happy couple posed for photographers outside the millionaire's luxury home in Essex and Sally held out her hand to show off her £10,000 engagement ring for the cameras.

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- (K = Ken; S = Steve)
- K: Hi, Steve. How are you?
- S: Oh, not too bad. Actually, it's my wedding anniversary today.
- K: Oh, congratulations!
- But um, I forgot and my wife was really upset.
- K: Oh, no. That's terrible.
- S: But I just rang Le Petit Blanc and they actually had a table free, so we're going out for dinner.
- K: Excellent.
- S: Anyway, I must go.
- K: Er, yeah, me too. See you!

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- A: Have you heard about Chris and Shirley?
- B: No ... what about them?
- A: They've split up.
- B: That's terrible!
- b
- C: Hello. You're looking very pleased with yourself.
- D: I am! I've just passed my driving test!
- C: Well done! Can I have a lift?
- E: Guess what. I've won a holiday to Florida.
- F: Lucky you! Is it a holiday for two?
- E: Yes, I'm taking my mum.
- F: Oh.
- G: I've just had some bad news.
- H: What's happened?
- G: I've failed my final exams.
- H: Oh, I'm sorry to hear that. Are you going to resit them?
- I: Oh, no!
- J: What's the matter?
- I: I've left my bag on the bus.
- J: You idiot! What are you going to do?
- I: I suppose I'd better ring the bus company.
- K: Have a glass of champagne!
- L: Thank you. What are you celebrating?
- K: My wife's just had a baby.
- L: Congratulations! Boy or a girl?

- You don't usually take the bus! M:
- No my car's broken down again. N:
- M: Oh, no!
- h
- O: I didn't know you had a car.
- My parents have bought a new car and P: they've given me their old one. Excellent! O:

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That's terrible! Well done! Lucky you!

- Oh, I'm sorry to hear that. You idiot!
- Congratulations!
- Oh, no!
- Excellent!

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- 1 We got engaged last week.
- My bicycle's been stolen again.
   I've decided to move to Australia.
- 4 My husband's been taken into hospital.
- 5 My daughter has just had a baby.
- 6 I got off the bus, slipped and fell flat on my face.
- I've won £1,000 on the National Lottery! 7
- My car wouldn't start this morning. 8 When I got to the party, there was 9
- someone there wearing exactly the same dress as me.
- 10 I've just got my exam results and I've passed.

# 7 Party

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- /1/ Т -busy city
- 2 /e/ - festival guest
- 3 -holiday modern /o/
- band candle 4 /æ/
- around different 5 12/
- 6 10/ - full good
- 11/ - fund public

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- (Z = Zoë; S = Sandy)
- Z: Hi!
- Oh, hello. S:
- Z: You don't look very happy. What's the matter?
- S. David hasn't rung.
- You only saw him yesterday. 7.
- Yes, and the last thing he said was, 'I'll S: ring you tomorrow."
- Well, tomorrow isn't finished yet. Z:
- No, but it's eight o'clock. What are you S doing tonight? Do you fancy going for a drink?
- Um, I'd love to, but John's coming Z: round and we're going for a meal.
  - S: Well, I'm not going to sit here waiting for the phone to ring. I know - I'll phone Becky.

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- (B = Becky; S = Sandy; Z =Zoë; D = David) B: Hello.
- S Hi, Becky, it's Sandy.
- B. Hiva.
- Becky, are you doing anything tonight? S.
- Yes. I'm meeting Alex and Suzy in B:

about half an hour.

- S: Where are you going?
- B: To the cinema. Would you like to come with us?
- S: Yes, I'd love to. Where are you meeting?
- At their house, but we could meet you B: in front of the cinema in George Street at half past eight.
- OK, thanks. See you later. S:
- I'm going to the cinema with Becky. Z: Good idea.
- And next time I see David, I'm going to S:
- tell him to get lost.
- Hmm. I'll believe that when I see it. 7:
- Z: Hello.
- Is Sandy there, please? D:
- Yeah, hold on a moment I'll get her Z: for you.
- .. It's David.
- S. Oh, hello, David.
- Look, I'm really sorry I didn't call D: earlier, but I had to work late.
- Oh, that's all right. I ... I forgot you S: were going to ring anyway.
- Listen, I'm afraid I can't see you D tonight, I'm having dinner with my parents.
- S It doesn't matter - I'm going to the cinema anyway.
- Oh, right. OK, well I'll call you. D
- When? I mean, all right. Bye. S:
- D: Bye.
- You didn't tell him to get lost. 7. S: Well, he apologised - and he's having dinner with his parents. Anyway, I ... I must go. See you later.
- Hi, Alex. Hi, Becky. Where's Suzy? S:
- B: Oh, she changed her mind at the last minute. David phoned her and asked her to go for a meal at that new Japanese restaurant.
- S: What?! Now I'm definitely going to tell him to get lost!

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- (R = Rachel; A = Alyson; G = Geoff)
- What do you think makes a good party R: then?
- A: Um ... I think the place is really important. It should be big enough but not too big.
- Yes, it needs to be quite crowded to G: make an atmosphere ... and dark.
- R: Oh, I don't like it when you can't see who you're talking to.
- G: No... no, I mean soft lighting. I like it when there are some decorations too. You know, a few balloons and things, just to make it special.
- What, like a children's party? A:
- G: Yeah, I suppose so or candles and things on the wall.
- Candles make a nice atmosphere, but R: you have to be careful the house doesn't catch fire.
- G: W ... well, you can get those candleholders. But the most important thing is the food and drink.
- Oh, yes. There must be lots of drink A: and enough food. It's terrible when there isn't enough food.
- What sort of food do you think is good R: for parties?

- A: Um, the sort of thing you can eat with your fingers. I mean, you don't want to have loads of washing-up at the end of the party.
- R: Actually, I think the music is the most important thing. Loud, but not too loud, and the sort of music you can dance to.
- I think the best thing is to prepare party G: tapes with all the best dance tracks, then you don't have to worry about it.
- But what about people? That's quite important, isn't it?
- Um, yes, you do need people for a G: party!
- No, I ... I mean the right people. You A: need some party animals who get up and start the dancing.
- And you need a mix of men and women. I went to a party recently where there were five women for every man.

Oh, shut up. So what do we think are

Food and drink, music and the right

the three most important things?

Sounds all right to me. G:

mix of people.

It's My Party by Lesley Gore

Cry if I want to, cry if I want to.

But Judy left the same time.

Why was he holding her hand,

But leave me alone for a while,

'Til Johnny's dancing with me,

I've got no reason to smile.

Like a queen with her king. Oh, what a birthday surprise,

Judy's wearing his ring.

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When he's supposed to be mine?

It's my party and I'll cry if I want to,

You would cry too if it happened to you.

Nobody knows where my Johnny has gone,

Play all my records, keep dancing all night,

Judy and Johnny just walked thru' the door,

We met at university - we both studied

straightaway. Afterwards, I went away

say, three or four times a week I guess.

We're both very outgoing and energetic,

It was an amazing coincidence really. Not

only to meet like that, but to get on so well

and have so much in common. We helped

each other with our studying as well. And

there was no time at all to feel homesick or

anything. From the moment we got on the

plane we had lots to talk about. And when

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music actually and I suppose we hit it off

for a while, but really we've been friends

since we were students. We see each other,

which I suppose is why we get on so well in

travelling for a year or so and we lost touch

Right.

It's my party ...

It's my party ...

It's my party ...

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the band ....

Juan

Sue

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A:

R:

G:

we finished, we had a brilliant time seeing the place and, well, it was just one big party 'till it was time to come back home. I wish we could see each other more often these days.

# Elisa

It was in India, just after university. I'd been there for a few months at the time. At first, we didn't get on too well, but we kept bumping into each other, as you do when you're travelling, so we, um, well, we ended up travelling together. We found we had similar interests ... you know, we like the same music and like going to gigs, and we had similar outlooks and so on. I suppose we've been friends for about, well, three or four years now.

## Enrico

We've got similar interests, particularly music. We like to see as many bands as we can. We like going out a lot. We, er, don't get to travel as much as we used to, but we're planning to go back to Asia together for a few weeks next year. That's where we met in the first place actually, about four years ago.

# Sindy

We've known each other for a few years now and we still get on well, most of the time anyway! We see each other a lot. Of course we're together twice a week when the band rehearses and we often go to pubs or to friends' houses and just, sort of, hang out and chat really. Yeah, we both love a good party!

# Hans

We first met in the, er, airport actually. We just bumped into each other at the check-in. It turned out we were both going to the same place to study and we ended up living in rooms on the same corridor in the hall. It was pretty amazing really! We got on from the word go. It just happened naturally, you know, two people away from home and all that. We did almost everything together and then when the course was over we travelled around the country for a month or so, before coming home. Now, I guess we only see each other three or four times a year or so.

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# 9 Soap

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# Pacific Heights. Scene 2

- (P = Penny; E = Ella; Ph = Phil; M = Mara)
- So, what have you been up to today? We've been to the travel agent's to get P:
- E: some brochures.
- Ph: I thought we'd talked about that.
- M: But Dad ...
- Ph: Look, I've told you once and I'll tell you again - you're not going travelling on your own. You're too young.
- E: But Becky's parents let her go travelling last year.
- Ph: Yes, but she went with her brother.
- Well, let's ask Charlie. Where is he, by M: the way?

- P: Oh, he's taking part in a big surfing competition out of town.
- Ph: But his surfboard's here.
- Oh, that's strange. I must have made a P: mistake.
- M: Come on, Ella ... let's go round to Becky's
- P: Er, don't be late for dinner.

# Pacific Heights. Scene 3

# (M = Mara; E = Ella)

- M: I think I know where Charlie is.
- Where? E:
- He's gone to see Clare. I'm sure there's M: something going on.
- E: Oh, between Charlie and Clare?
- M: Yes.
- But Clare's married to Uncle Dave. E:
- So? Lots of married people have affairs. M:
- Well, I don't think it's right. Anyway, E: how do you know?
- M: Well, I heard him talking to her on the phone yesterday. He asked her if Dave had left for America and then he said he couldn't wait to be in her arms again!
- Oh, what a creep. Poor Becky. E-
- M: Oh, don't worry, she'll get over it. But listen, I've got an idea.
- If it's about Charlie coming travelling with us, forget it. He's already said he doesn't want to.
- M: Yes, but if we catch him with Clare, we can blackmail him to come travelling with us.
- E: Oh, yes. I see what you mean. But don't you think we should tell Becky about him and Clare?
- No, stupid. If we tell her, we won't be M. able to blackmail him. Come on, let's make a plan.

# Pacific Heights. Scene 4

- (A = Amy; M = Mark)
- A: I don't know what to do. If I don't take part in the demonstration I'll have to leave the group.
- M: Just think about those poor little animals. Have you any idea what they do to them?
- I know, but it's my step-father's company.
- M: Well, it serves him right for experimenting on animals.
- A: Are they going to do any damage? M: No, it's a peaceful demonstration, that's
- all. Anyway, it's up to you. Um, OK, I'll come, but my mom will A: kill me if she finds out.

# 10 Time

- (PR = Paul Roesch; RW = Roberta Wilson)
- PR: ... That was Sonny Best with Midnight in Vermont. Now, do you make the best of your time? In the studio today we've got Roberta Wilson, who's a time management consultant. Good morning, Roberta.
- RW: Good morning, Paul.
- PR: Roberta, what exactly do time management consultants do?
- RW: Well, Paul, it's all about helping people to organise their work in an effective way: maximum efficiency; minimum stress.
- PR: Hah, sounds like something 1 need. Er, who are your clients?

- RW: Um, mainly business people, but I've also worked with politicians, civil servants and university lecturers.
- PR: Um, quite a range, then. And what sort of things help people to organise their time? I suppose punctuality is important?
- RW: Um, yes and no. It's easier to finish a meeting on time if it starts on time. But in international contexts, you do have to be aware of cultural differences.
- PR: For example?
- RW: Well, in Britain big, formal meetings usually start on time, but less formal meetings often begin a few minutes late. In Germany, on the other hand, people expect all meetings to begin on time. In some countries, er, for example in Latin America, there's a more ... relaxed attitude. So, you do have to adapt to circumstances.
- PR: When in Rome ..
- RW: Er, to some extent, yes.
- PR: Um, it sounds like even if you manage your own time very well, you still can't control what other people do.
- RW: Well, you can set limits. If you're meeting a friend who always arrives late, you can say, 'Well, I'm going to wait for 15 minutes. If they aren't there by then, I'll leave.'
- PR: Hmm. I've got one friend who's always late. I don't think I'd ever see her if I did that.
- RW: Hah, but people who are always late are the ones you need to set limits with. If they know that you won't wait, then, perhaps they'll make an effort.
- PR: Isn't that rather harsh?
- RW: No, not really. Someone who constantly turns up late is putting a low value on your time. Let them know you've got other things to do. And I'm not suggesting you do that with everyone just the persistent latecomers. Though, again, different cultures do have different viewpoints on what constitutes serious lateness.
- PR: What about interruptions? I often come in to the studio with something important 1 need to do. Then the phone rings or someone comes to see me Before I know it, the day's over and I haven't done what I planned.
- RW: Um, you need to defend your time. If you're working on something important and someone drops in to see you, get your diary out. Politely tell them you're busy and make an appointment for another time. If it isn't important anyway, they'll just go away. If it is, they'll make an appointment and you can deal with it properly.
- PR: That sounds practical.
- RW: Um, again, you do have to be careful. In some cultures, particularly Latin ones, this technique can upset people. But here in the United States, almost no-one will be offended.
- PR: Hmm. So, does everything depend on culture?
- RW: No. Attitudes to time are one of the big differences between cultures. But how you organise your own work is up to you. And there are lots of techniques here. For example, imagine you've got two important things to do. One of them is pleasant, and the other isn't. Always try to do the unpleasant task first. That way, the pleasant task is a reward for finishing. If you do it the

other way round, you'll tend to slow down the pleasant task because you don't want to do the unpleasant one.

- PR: Hah, hah. I'll remember that. Finally, what, for you, is a hard-working person?
- RW: Oh, I'm not very interested in hardworking people. You can spend twelve hours a day at the office without doing very much. I'm interested in productive – and happy – people.
- PR: And on that note, I have to say we've run out of time. Thank you Roberta and over to Jasmine Dahar with the news ...

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- 1 /s/ Sunday second Saturday weeks first
- 2 /z/- days Tuesday weekends Wednesday hours
- /θ/ -- three thirty month Thursday third
- 4 /õ/– then there weather that these

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- (J = Julie; M = Martin)
- M: OK, so what dates did you get?
- J: l've got 20th February 1997.
- M: OK, I'll write that down ... '97.
- J: Um, 24th May 1972.
- M: OK.
- J: Then I've got 5th November, 1999.
- M: OK.
- J: Then there's 31st July, 1991.
- M: ... '91. OK, and the last one?
- J: The last one ... I've got 15th July next year.
- M: Right. OK, well, let's go for the oldest one. 24th May '72. What's that?
- J: That's my birthday.
- M: Hah, hah, hah.
- J: Hah ... and I'm a Gemini.
- M: Oh, right. OK. Er, 20th February '97?
- J: That is my cat's birthday.
- M: ... I don't even know my cat's ...
- J: She's called 'Sparkle'.
- M: Hah, hah, hah. 31st July '91?
- J: Ah. This is the date that I left college and I got my first job in Habitat Superstore.
- M: Hah, hah. Right, OK. Er, 5th November ... 5th November '99.
- J: Well, that's bonfire night, of course.
- M: Oh, right.
- J: Yeah. A huge party takes place.
- M: And finally, what's this 15th July next year?
- J: Well, I'm going on a world trip.
- M: Oh, where are you going?
- J: I'm going to Australia, Sri Lanka, to India, the Far East, then to America .... All over the place.
- M: Oh, lucky you. It sounds great.

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We're supposed to start work at nine, but I often come in later because I have to take my children to school first, but then I stay a bit later. Of course, if I've got an early meeting or if I've got to be in court first thing in the morning, my wife has to take the kids to school. We're supposed to work a 40-hour week, but I think most people actually work more than that. We're supposed to dress smartly, particularly if we have contact with clients, so I always wear a suit and tie to work. Female lawyers aren't allowed to wear trousers or even dark tights. They have to wear knee-length skirts - no minis. The secretaries can wear tailored trousers, but no jeans. A weekly dress-down day has been introduced recently - it's an idea from America, where everybody comes into work in casual dress on a Friday. Personally, I have no desire to come into work wearing jeans and a T-shirt. I like to make a difference between work and home, and I can wear casual clothes at home. I think people should dress smartly for work it gives a good impression. Smoking, eating and drinking are strictly forbidden in the office. There's a nonsmoking cafeteria downstairs, and smokers have to go outside. Personally, I think smoking ought to be banned in all public places.

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As you can see, it's a really busy office and we have to work long hours. Everybody works different hours because people are coming in and out all the time. We can have a drink at our desks but we're not allowed to bring food into the offices. There's a canteen downstairs. We're supposed to have a break every two hours, but when you're working to a deadline, you can't afford to take time for a break. Sometimes I work right through my lunch hour - it's mad really. In fact, you have to be mad to work here. Hah. We're not supposed to smoke in the office but some of the reporters and journalists do when they're working late. You know they've been smoking because the place smells horrible in the morning. As far as dress is concerned, it depends. The editors and senior staff dress smartly. I think our senior editor has two suits and about twenty identical striped shirts because I've never seen him wearing anything else. The younger men are a bit more fashionconscious and they don't have to wear suits. The women can wear trousers or skirts, but we can't wear jeans. Smart-casual clothes are OK.

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As you can imagine, people who work here are pretty fashion-conscious. They can wear whatever they like, but people usually choose to dress smartly for work. They're the sort of people who enjoy dressing up and they're quite competitive. Most people wear black – it's a bit like wearing a uniform really! Um, black polo-neck pullovers, black bootleg trousers, black leather jackets and boots – and that's just the girls. Hah. The men tend to be more imaginative with their colours. They wear nice brightly coloured shirts ... and then colour their hair to match! Personally, I go for a more elegant look – suits and high heels.

Unfortunately, most of the young models who come to the agency are smokers - but

they're not allowed to smoke in the building. In fact, they can't smoke anywhere near the building. It gives such a bad impression when you see people smoking in the entrance.

The agency is open from ten o'clock in the morning, but the staff arrive any time after eight. They have to work a nine-hour day, but the starting and finishing times are flexible.

Coffee is available whenever you want it, but food isn't allowed in the office. Nobody here eats anyway!

# 11 Journey

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- (F = Friend; C = Conrad)
- F: It must be very strange to be back home after such a long time.
- C: Yes, it is. I ... I mean, it's lovely to see everybody and I really appreciate my bed.
- F: Let's have a look at these photos then.
- C: Well, they're all mixed up at the
- moment. I've got to sort them out.
- F: Um, this looks nice. Where is it?
- C: Where do you think it is?
- F: Ah, well ... it must be somewhere really hot. It looks like paradise. I suppose it could be Thailand or Bali, or it could even be India.
- C: No. I'll give you a clue. It's an island in the Pacific Ocean.
- F: Hawaii.
- C: No, I didn't go to Hawaii.
- F: Oh, right ... I thought you'd been everywhere! It's probably Fiji then.
- C: That's right. Oh, it was lovely. This man wanted me to marry his daughter. She was beautiful.
- F: Oh, a Fijian wedding ... that would've been fun.
- C: Yeah, that's what J thought. But I don't think my mum would've been very pleased. Hah. Anyway, what about this one?
- F: Ah, this is a bit different. Well, must be Switzerland or somewhere in the French Alps?
- C: Nope.
- F: 'Who's the girl by the way?
- C: Oh, yes ... that's er, what's-her-name, er? She's Argentinian.
- F: Oh, was she travelling around Europe then?
- C: No. In this picture, she wasn't far from home.
- F: Well, it can't be Argentina, can it? Maybe it's Chile?
- C: No, it's the southern part of Argentina ... Patagonia.
- F: Oh ...
- C: They call it the Switzerland of the southern hemisphere.
- F: Really? That's amazing. It really does look like Switzerland. So anyway, did you meet a girl in every country you visited?

- Liz
- (I = Interviewer; L = Liz)
- I: So, who would your ideal companion be?
- L: My friend, Anna, who's doing a course in Oriental studies.
- I: Ahah, and how would you get around?

- L: We'd probably use one of those very fast bullet trains to get there, and then go by taxi or on foot.
- Ŀ And what would you wear?
- It depends on the time of year. I'd want L to go there in spring for the cherry blossoms, so probably just jeans and a sweatshirt. I'd make sure I had a clean pair of socks and some slip-on shoes because I think you have to take them off when you visit the temples.
- What would you buy? I:
- Nothing touristy. I might buy an L: electronic gadget like a calculator. They're supposed to be cheaper there.
- I: Er, and what would you eat and drink?
- I'd look for western food and probably 1. end up eating at McDonald's. I can't stand raw fish, and I don't like rice much either.
- Hm. What essential items would you Ŀ take with you?
- L: My camera would be essential - the temples, the ... the shrines and the gardens. They're all supposed to be stunning.
- I: Who would you most like to meet there?
- L: I'd like to meet a geisha who speaks English, and ask her lots of questions.
- I: What sights would you want to see? I'd visit the Golden Temple and the L:
- 'Ryoanji' temple I think it is, where they've got that amazing Zen rock garden.
- Er, who would you send a postcard to? I:
- My ex-boyfriend to show him what a L:
- good time I'm having without him. I: Hah. What would spoil your perfect weekend?
- Bumping into somebody from work. L: Although I don't think it's likely on the other side of the world in Kyoto!

# Cristina

- (I = Interviewer; C = Cristina)
- Who would your ideal companion be? Ŀ
- My mum and her cheque book. C:
- And how would you get around? Ŀ
- On foot or on the underground. C:
- What would you wear? Ŀ
- C: I'd wear all the new clothes my mum's going to buy for me there.
- And what would you buy?
- Apart from clothes, maybe a painting C. from one of the artists who sell their stuff along the river.
- What would you eat and drink? Ŀ
- C: I'd sit and drink lots of lovely coffee and watch the world go by.
- Ŀ Um, and what essential items would you take with you?
- C Sunglasses. Not for the sun, but because they look cool.
- Who would you most like to meet Ŀ there?
- C: Jean Paul Gaultier - I love him.
- What sights would you want to see?
- C: Well, I've been to all the obvious places, so I'd just like to hang out in the Latin Ouarter.
- I: And who would you send a postcard to?
- C: My dad.

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- C: If the shops were shut. Paris is a beautiful city, but for me the main attraction is the shopping.
- Rick
- (I = Interviewer; R = Rick)
- Who would your ideal companion be?
- Er, definitely not my wife. She can't R: stand the sun. Um, probably my brother because I don't see him very often
- Ŀ Um, how would you get around? On foot. I'll only be going from the R: hotel to the beach.
- Ŀ What would you wear?
- R: As little as possible.
- And what would you buy? Ŀ
- I'd probably buy some souvenirs for R: my wife and children at the airport.
- What would you eat and drink?
- Um, what's that special dish? ... um, R: moussaka?
- I: Right. Who would you most like to meet there?
- R: Oh, nobody at all. I like peace and quiet.
- ſ: And what essential items would you take with you?
- Um, a couple of good books and plenty R: of suntan lotion.
- Er, what sights would you want to l: visit?
- R: The beach in the daytime and a taverna at night.
- Ŀ Er, who would you send a postcard to?
- R: Nobody. Writing a postcard would be too much like hard work.
- I: Hm. And what would spoil your perfect weekend?
- R: Rain. Oh, also, if the island was full of other English people. Greece is a popular destination for English people.

# 12 Basics

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- (M = Matthew; D = Dawn; W = Waiter)
- Well, here we are at last. Hah. Do you M: like it?
- Yes, it's very nice. The music's not too D: loud. I hate it when they have loud music in restaurants.
- M: Me too.
- D: Hah.
- W: Good evening. Er, are you ready to order?
- Oh, no. We haven't looked at the menu M: yet. Could we have something to drink first?
- W: Certainly. Er, what would you like?
- M: Um, would you like some wine?
- Oh, yes, that would be nice. Um, red, D: please.
- Two glasses of red wine, please, and er, M: could we have a few olives with that?
- W: Of course. I'll be back to take your order in a moment.
- M: Right, right, we'd better look at the menu. What sort of thing do you like?
- Er, well, um, I don't eat meat or fish, so D: anything without meat or fish, I suppose. Hah .
- Oh, dear ... I didn't know you were vegetarian. I don't think there are any vegetarian dishes on the menu.
- D: Oh. Oh, yes, there are. Look, there are loads of things. Um, well, they do

omelettes anyway. I'll have a cheese omelette and salad.

- M: Are you sure?
- Yes, that's fine. I love omelettes. D:
- OK. Um, do you mind if I have meat? M: No, o ... of course not. That's up to D:
- vou.
- W: Are you ready to order now?
- Yes, um, we'll have a cheese omelette M: and salad and, er, steak and chips, please.
- W: How would you like your steak done, sir?
- M: Medium rare, please. And could we have some French bread and a bottle of mineral water, please?
- W. Still or sparkling?
- D/M: Still./Sparkling.
- Oh, that's all right, I don't mind. D:
- No, no, it's OK, er, let's have still. Still, M: please.
- Anything else? W
- M: No, that's all for now, thank you.

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- (M = Matthew; D = Dawn; W = Waiter)
- So, how long have you been living in M: London?
- Er, a couple of years. How about you? D:
- M: Only a few months. I moved down here for the job.

can I get you anything else?

there so I moved to London.

.. Er, I've spilt some wine.

Er, just a little. It's OK.

on my skirt. Just a drop.

I'm fine too, thanks.

D: Ah.

vou?

originally?

vour skirt?

cleaning.

up.

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A cloth, sir.

W: Who is the omelette?

just the same.

insects.

(I = Interviewer; M = Michael)

W:

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M:

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There's no work where I come from. M: Your bread sir, madam. Er, water. Er,

No, I'm fine, thank you. How about

And, er, where do you come from

Oh, er, from a little village just outside

Oxford. Um, there was nothing to do

And do you like living ... Oh, no - I'm

Waiter, waiter! Er, can you bring a cloth

It's OK, honestly. Hardly any of it went

I'm really sorry. I'll pay for the dry

Thank you. Here, there, let me wipe it

Michael, you've had the opportunity to

from around the world. Can you tell us

Thailand and in the winter, sackloads of

grasshoppers and locusts are brought

make a really crisp and tasty snack. In

most people, provided they don't know

what they're eating. They eat crickets in

parts of North America, and they taste

Hmm, I'm not sure I'd like to eat

into Bangkok from the countryside

because the Thais love them. They

fact, fried grasshoppers are tasty to

something about them, and in

particular, what they taste like?

Yes, well, I've just come back from

taste some of the more unusual dishes

No, it's fine, really. Don't touch me!

terribly sorry. Oh, dear, did it go on

- M: Well, you'd better not go to Indonesia then. Last time I was there, I had a feast of insects. The main course was roasted cockroaches
- Oh, dear. What did that taste like? Ŀ
- M: Hm. They're rather more chewy than crisp on the outside and then there's a rich liquid on the inside which tastes quite sweet and fruity.
- What other insects have you eaten? Ŀ
- M: Well, did you know that in Colombia, cinemas serve roasted ants instead of popcorn?
- Really? What are they like?
- M: Um, sweet and crisp ... delicious actually. I also ate barbecued lizard in South America, but that was a bit disappointing. It was a bit bland ... not particularly tasty. On the other hand, iguana eggs made a much more interesting dish. After ten minutes boiling in very salty water, they made a very tasty evening snack. A bit too salty for my taste, but very good.
- I've heard that they eat grubs in Ŀ Australia. I can't believe that. Is it true?
- Yes. I've never eaten them raw, but I M: have eaten them fried. They're OK ... a bit chewy ... crunchy on the outside but chewy on the inside.
- Ŀ I'm sorry, I don't even want to think about it. Can we change the subject? How about shark fin soup? Have you ever tried that?
- Only once, in China. It's very expensive M: and takes ages to prepare. But it's delicious. The taste depends on how the chef prepares it, but when I ate it, it was quite spicy and not particularly fishy. Anyway, what about you? Have you ever eaten anything strange?
- Well, I'm not as adventurous as you, I: and I've never been out of Europe, but probably the strangest, and I must say the most revolting thing I've ever eaten was in Scotland recently.
- Oh, you mean haggis? M:
- No, no. Haggis is delicious. No, it was I: deep-fried Mars Bar.
- M: What? You mean, like fish and chips ... Mars Bar and chips?
- That's right. Greasy and horribly sweet. Ŀ Disgusting!
- M: Oh.

# **13** Communication

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Welcome to the Inside Out helpline for students of English. Here are some useful numbers and addresses for your information.

For news and current events the BBC

- website is a good starting point at www.bbc.co.uk. An alternative is CNN at www.cnn.com.
- To listen to BBC World Service radio you can find out about schedules and local frequencies by dialling 44 for the UK, then 20 7557 1180.

You can get the latest news and reviews on the music scene at www.mtv.com. Or if it's sports results you want then the Reuters site at www.sportsweb ... all one word ... .com will keep you right up to date.

For travel information try one of the major search engines like Yahoo at www.yahoo ... that's all one word ... Y A H double O ... .com/recreation/travel.

The British Tourist Authority has lots of information. You'll find them at www.visitbritain ... all one word .. .com. If you are already in the UK, the telephone number for flight enquiries to and from Heathrow is 020 ... if you are outside London ... 8759 4321.

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1 Hi, Rich. It's Jeff, six thirty Wednesday night. I'm in Bristol for a few days. Give me a call if you're around. 723688. Speak to you soon.

Hi there! This is Simon from Tim's Travel Company. We've finally got your tickets for ten days' scuba-diving in Egypt. Call by and pick them up any time. We're open from nine to five every day. Bye.

Richard ... it's Andrew. I've just had a call from Ian Watson at Smiths Insurance. They've got a problem with a programme we installed on their computer network last week, so I've told him I'll get somebody out there as soon as possible to sort it out. Could you phone him first thing tomorrow morning and arrange to go out there and see what you can do? The ... the number is 01225 302602. Give me a call at the office to let me know what you've arranged. Thanks.

Er, this is Alex at Virgin Megastore. The new computer game you ordered has come in. Er, please call by and pick it up. Thank you.

Hello, it's me ... Maggie. You may remember me. I'm supposed to be your girlfriend, although you wouldn't think so. Get off your computer for five minutes and give me a ring. By the way, have you heard anything about the tickets for Egypt?

Hello. This is Alison Moore from the South-Western Bank. Can you ring me to discuss your overdraft? 0117 515633 extension 300. Thank you.

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- (J = Jane; R = Richard; M = Maggie)
- Hello. 1:
- R: Oh, hi. Is Maggie there?
- Is that Richard? I:
- R: Yes, hello, Jane. How are you? Fine, thanks. Hang on, I'll go and get J: her.
- M: Hello.
- Hi! It's me.
- M:
- You got my message then. I thought you'd forgotten about me.
- Don't be silly. Of course I haven't R: forgotten you. I've just been a bit busy, that's all.
- M: Busy playing computer games, I suppose.
- No, not all the time. Anyway, how are R: vou?
- M: Um, not too bad. Bit tired. Too much work as usual. Which reminds me, have you heard anything from the travel agent's?
- R: Oh, yes. They've got the tickets.
- M: Great! Oh, I really need this holiday.

- R: Listen, I can't chat now, but what are you up to later?
- M: I've got to work this evening, but 1 thought we could go to the cinema tomorrow.
- OK, I'll come round at about seven. R:
- M: See you tomorrow.
- R: Bye.

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- (Re = Receptionist; R = Richard; A = Alison) Re: Good morning. South-Western Bank.
- Can I help you? Yes, I'd like to speak to Alison Moore, R: please.
- Who's calling, please? Re:
- My name's Richard Swainston. R.
- OK, hold on, please. I'll try to put you Re: through ... Oh, Mr Swainston, I'm afraid she's on the other line. Would vou like to hold?
- R: Yes, thank you.
- A٠ Alison Moore.
- Oh, hello. This is Richard Swainston R: here.
- Oh, yes. Mr Swainston. Thank you for A: getting back to me so promptly. There seems to be a problem with your account.
- R: Oh, dear. What sort of problem?
- Well, you're over your overdraft limit A: by more than £200. You really need to come to the bank to discuss it. Are you available later on today?
- R: I'm afraid I'm rather tied up today. Er, would tomorrow be convenient for you?
- Um, yes, that's fine. Ten thirty? A:
- Yes, ten thirty's fine for me. R:
- Well, thank you for ringing. I'll look A: forward to seeing you tomorrow.
- R: Goodbye.

- (MS = Mrs Swainston; R = Richard)
- MS: Hello?
- Mum, it's Richard. R:
- MS: Oh, is everything all right?
- R: Yes, yes, fine. How are you?
- MS: Oh, not too bad. Your father's playing golf, so I'm enjoying the peace and quiet. How's Maggie?
- She's OK. Working hard. Mum, I was R: wondering ... do you think you could lend me some money till the end of the month?
- MS: Oh, Richard, have you got yourself into debt again? Because if you have
- R: No, no. It's just a bit of an overdraft.
- MS: Where does all your money go, Richard? I mean, you've got a good job .
- R: But Mum, it's expensive living in Bristol
- MS: Well, of course it is. What do you expect if you go out every night and buy expensive computers.
- I haven't got a computer. It's a playstation.
- MS: Oh, well, whatever. I mean, your sister never phones up asking for money.
- R: But you spent a fortune on her wedding.
- MS: Yes, and when you get married, we'll do the same for you.
- Well, I'm not going to get married, so R: you might as well give me the money now!
- MS: Richard! What would Maggie say! Now

come on, this is silly. How much do you need?

R: £300.

- MS: Oh, honestly, Richard, you really must learn to budget.
- R. Look, Mum, if you can just help me out this time, I promise I'll try to be more careful in future.
- MS: Well, we'll see about that. Listen, I ... I'll do it this time, but this really is the last time. If you get yourself into trouble again you'll just have to sort it out yourself.
- R: Oh, thanks, Mum.
- MS: But I'm doing this on one condition ... Yes?
- MS: You never say you're not going to get married again.
- R: OK, I promise. Thanks Mum. Bye.
- MS: Bye ... and next time, you could phone up just for a chat!

# 14 Style

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I think my favourite thing at the moment is my white polo-neck sweater. It goes with everything and it's really easy to wear.

I love my flowery silk waistcoat. I only wear it on very special occasions and I usually wear it with a suit. It cheers me up.

My favourite thing is my black leather jacket which I bought in America and is really old. It gets better as it gets older.

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My baseball cap is my favourite thing. I've got very short hair and I feel really cold without it. The colour's great, bright orange and pink.

I spend quite a lot of money on clothes, but my favourite things aren't usually the most expensive. For example, I love my old shortsleeved T-shirt with a big banana on the front. I got that from the market for less than five pounds.

My favourite thing is definitely my leopardprint fake fur coat. I got it from a secondhand shop and it looks fabulous with my high-heeled boots.

I tend to like comfortable clothes best ... my favourite outfit is my baggy trousers and check shirt.

My gran sent me a beautiful tartan cashmere scarf for Christmas and I love it.

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# Ugly by Jon Bon Jovi

If you're ugly, I'm ugly too! In your eyes the sky's a different blue If you could see yourself like others do You'd wish you were as beautiful as you

And I wish I was a camera sometimes So I could take your picture with my mind Put it in a frame for you to see How beautiful you really are to me

Ugly, ugly All of us just feel like that some day Ain't no rainbow in the sky When you feel U.G.L.Y. And that's ugly Yeah yeah yeah Yeah yeah yeah

Ugly, ugly All of us just feel like that some day Ain't no rainbow in the sky When you feel U.G.L.Y. And that's ugly, ugly All of us just feel like that some day Ain't no cure that you can buy When you feel U.G.L.Y. And that's ugly

So, if you're ugly, I'm ugly too If you're a nut, then I must be a screw If you could see yourself the way I do You'd wish you were as beautiful as you I wish I was as beautiful as you

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# 15 Age

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- (M = Man; W = Woman)
- You look worried. What's on your M: mind?
- W: Actually, there is something I've been meaning to tell you ...
- M: Look, if it's about last night, it really doesn't matter. I shouldn't have said anything.
- No, no, it's nothing to do with that. Or rather I suppose it is, in a way.
- I knew it. If only I'd kept my mouth M: shut.
- W: Look, I agree with you. The Rolling Stones are old-fashioned and I wish I'd never put that record on.
- It's not a bad record. It's my fault. I M: shouldn't have called them boring old dinosaurs.
- No, it's my fault. I shouldn't have W: reacted like I did. It's just that that record brings back special memories for me.
- M: Look, I understand. My parents used to play The Rolling Stones too.
- W: No, you don't understand. I was in my teens when that record first came out.
- M: Ah, right. I see what you mean. Well, you look very good for your age. W: Oh, shut up.
- M: No, no, no. What I mean is that I don't care how old you are ... and anyway, I've got something to tell you. I'm not 31. I'm 26.
- W: What!



Of course I didn't say anything ... I mean, the cashier should have asked to look in her bag, shouldn't she? If it had been a small shop, I probably would have said something, but a big supermarket like that can afford it.

Well, I picked it up, brushed the cat hairs off and served it. Well, what you don't see you don't worry about, do you?

So I said, 'It looks lovely,' and then spent the rest of the day wishing I'd told her the truth.

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I was so shocked. It took me a few days to decide what to do, but once I'd made up my mind, I was sure it was the right thing. I cashed the cheque and went straight to the travel agent's where I bought tickets to Egypt for myself and a couple of friends. At least they love me as I am. The divorce will be through next month.

I don't know if he saw me, but I didn't want to embarrass him so I just carried on walking. I often think about him and wonder how he ended up on the streets.

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# Freddie

(I = Interviewer; F = Freddie)

- ŀ How old are you now, Freddie?
- Twelve. F:
- Is that a good age to be? Ŀ
- Yeah ... you're grown up enough to be F: semi-independent but still young. At school I've just gone from being one of the oldest in my old school to being one of the youngest in secondary school.
- Oh, and which do you prefer? Ŀ
- F: Well, it was good being the oldest because I could boss people around but it's quite good being the youngest too because we're let out early for lunch and we get to go home at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoons. Also having an older brother in the same school helps.
- T: What are the advantages of being 12?
- You're not a teenager yet so you're not F: annoyed and uptight about everything. How old's your brother?
- Ŀ
- F: Sixteen.
- What differences are there between I: being 12 and being 16?
- He smells and I don't. Hah. Also, he's F: got exams and I haven't.
- I: Have you ever wished you were older or younger than you are?
- Yeah .... I'd like to be old enough not to F: tidy my room.
- Hah. But you have to tidy your room 1: whatever age you are.
- Yeah, but if I was old enough to leave F: home and have my own place, I wouldn't have to tidy my room.

# Iem

- (I = Interviewer; J = Jem)
- How old are you, Jem? 1.
- Sixteen.
- What's it like being 16? Is that a good Ŀ age to be?
- Er, well, I'd prefer to be 18. 1:
- I: Why?

- J: Because of the things I could do legally, like go to bars and clubs ... oh yeah, and vote.
- I: Are you looking forward to voting?
- J: Yeah.
- I: Do you mind if I ask you who you might vote for?
- J: Well, I don't really know. Um, it might all have changed in two years.
- I: What do you think is the best age to be?
- Er, probably when you're really young, before you go to school. You don't have a care in the world.
- I: You've got a brother who's 12, haven't you?
- J: Yes, unfortunately.
- I: Hah. In what way are your lives different?
- J: I've got a lot more responsibilities. I've got a part-time job at the weekend and I've got more of a workload from school. But I've also got a lot more freedom. He's not allowed out after six o'clock.
- 1: Ah. Do you mind if I ask you whether you've got a girlfriend?
- J: Er, not really.

# Yvette

- (I = Interviewer; Y = Yvette)
- I: You've just had an important birthday, haven't you?
- Y: Oh, well, not really. These days 18 is the important one.
- I: So, how does it feel to be 21?
- Y: Oh, exactly the same as 20.
- I: Is there anything you can do now that you couldn't do before you were 21?
- Y: Um, no, not really. But I suppose when you're 21, you have more responsibilities. You're supposed to be more independent and er, you can't depend on your parents so much. Er, like I have to pay for my holidays myself now, so these are the disadvantages. And er, people expect grown-up behaviour from you.
- I: Ah. What do you reckon is the best age to be?
- Y: Um, maybe five years old. You go to play school and you play all day. Everybody spoils you and life is just fun.
- I: Have you ever wished you were older or younger?
- Y: Oh, yes. When I was about 15, my brother was allowed out and I wasn't. He's three years older than me and I wanted to be the same age as him.

# Carmel

- (I = Interviewer; C = Carmel)
- I: Do you mind if I ask you how old you are?
- C: Actually, I'd rather not say. But put it
- this way, I'm the wrong side of 30.
- I: Is that a good age to be?
- C: Um, yes, pretty good. But it's a lot older than 25, which is how old I feel.
- I: What's life like when you're in your thirties?
- C: Well, not very different from my twenties except that I'm seriously thinking of buying more expensive face creams, and wondering if they really work.
- I: What do you think is the best age to be?
- C: I think between 25 and 30 is a good age, because you've kind of sorted out what you want and you know how to

get it and you've got some experience of trying to get it. At that age you don't think about the consequences of what you do whereas when you're a bit older you do tend to worry about the consequences.

- I: So do you wish you were still 25?
- C: No, I'm happy at the age I am now. I mean, I had a good time in my twenties, but I wouldn't necessarily want to relive them.
- I: Hah.

# 16 Review 2

- (I = Interviewer; KT = Kim Thomas)
- I: ... so, if we could turn to the origin of language? Um, do we know when, where and how language originated?
- KT: Ah, that's a difficult question to answer, or rather the answer is no one really knows. What we do know is when language was first written down.
- I: Ah hah, and that was ...
- KT: That was about five and a half thousand years ago, in about 3500 BC. The Sumerians, who lived in Mesopotamia, were the first people to write down their language. They used symbols called pictographs to represent everyday objects – a bit like Egyptian hieroglyphics - and the first actual alphabet was developed around 3,500 years ago by the Phoenicians, who lived on the eastern coast of what is now Syria. Today there are around 65 alphabets in the world. Interestingly, the shortest of them, the one used in the Solomon Islands, has only 11 letters. Hah, hah. And the longest? I:
- KT: Er, the Cambodian, I think. I believe it's got 74 letters.
- I: So, how many languages are there in the world today?
- KT: Somewhere in the region of 4,000. I don't think we'll ever find out the exact figure.
- I: Um, and which of these are the most spoken?
- KT: Well, Mandarin Chinese has about a billion speakers. English is next with about half a billion speakers and Hindi, Spanish and Russian are not too far behind. These five languages account for half of all the conversations in the world!
- Hah, hah, hah. And is it true that Mandarin is the biggest language? I mean the one with the most number of words.
- KT: Again, it's difficult to say, but the latest thinking is that English is actually the biggest, largely due to the number of technical and scientific words it contains. There are at least a million words in English. Most native speakers only use about 10,000 words, that's one per cent of them.
- l: Hah. Only 10,000?
- KT: Yeah, and can you guess which are the most common of these? The most used words in English.
- I: Huh. Let me think. Um, maybe 'be'? KT: Well, according to recent research,
- where tens of thousands of hours of conversation have been fed into computers and analysed, the most common word is 'the'.

- I: Oh, and 'be'?
- KT: Well, 'be', we think, is the most used verb in English. But of course there are different forms. Er, what do you think the most common noun in spoken English is?
- J: Mm, The most common noun? Erm, maybe something like ... er, oh, I've no idea. You're going to have to tell us.
- KT: Hah, hah, hah. Well, you just said it, actually. Apparently it's 'thing'.
- I: Mm. Hah ... OK ... hah. What about the origins of words? Where does English come from?
- KT: Well, modern English, which is about 500 years old, is a mixture of mainly Romance and Germanic languages. Greek and Arabic have also provided English with many words. Er, did you know 'sugar' comes from Arabic? And, surprisingly, so does 'alcohol'. In fact many, many words have been 'borrowed' from other languages. For example, did you know that 'coffee' comes from Turkish and that 'chess', the game, is a Persian word?
- I: Oh, no.
- KT: Where do you think 'ketchup', as in tomato ketchup, comes from?
- I: Er, I've never really thought about it. I've no idea. Hah, hah, hah. America?
- KT: Hah, hah, hah. It's from the Malay language. A traditional Malaysian sauce I believe.
- I: Ah.
- KT: How about 'shampoo'?
- I: Mmm, it sounds a bit oriental to me. Maybe Japanese?
- KT: It's actually a Hindi word, from India. The list is endless.
- I: Er, you mentioned India just then. Isn't that a country with hundreds of languages?
- KT: Well, I don't know about hundreds. I think Papua New Guinea has got the most with over eight hundred and fifty separate languages, but India has got dozens of languages. The bank notes there have got thirteen languages written on them. I suppose they're the main languages. Um, most people there speak at least two or three languages.
- I: Um, talking of which ... and one final question. To speak two languages fluently is difficult enough, but have you any idea what the highest number of languages spoken by one person is?
- KT: There is, or was, a Frenchman, I, er, can't remember his name, but he spoke 31 different languages. All of them fluently!
- I: Oh. On that note, Professor Thomas, we'll say thank you very much and, er, au revoir, auf Wiedersehen, arrivaderci, or, sayonara, adios ...

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