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Daily Life - Working Out (C0345)

- A: Do you want to go catch a movie tonight?
- B: I can't, I have to go tothe gym.
- A: Come on! You can go tomorrow, just skip it today. It's not as if you are gonna get in trouble!
- B: Actually I will! I am working out with a personal trainer that gets on my case if I don't go. I like it, because it makes me feel more obligated to go and get healthy.
- A: That's cool, does your personal trainer basically teach you how to work out?
- B: Yeah. He makes a work put plan depending on the areas I want to work on, or the muscles I want to build. Like for example in order to get better muscle tone in my abs, pecs and biceps, he makes me work out with free weights. Then for my quads, calves and hamstrings, I do leg lifts or squats.
- A: Sounds like you are really getting in shape!

Key Vocabulary



gym	N	a place where you go to exercise
personal trainer	A	professional who educates people about physical fitness.
case	N	argument
obligate	V	do something because you feel it is the right thing to do
to work out	V	to find a solution or create a plan by thinking
muscle	N	tissue composed of fibers capable of con- tracting to effect bodily movement
muscle tone	N	strength or firmness of muscles and skin
abdominals	N	muscles of the front area of the stomach
pectoral	N	the chest or breast area



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bicep N a large muscle at the

front of the upper arm

hamstring N Any of the tendons at

the rear of the human

knee

squat N A lift or a weightlifting

exercise in which one squats and stands while holding a weighted barbell supported by the back of the shoulders

Supplementary Vocabulary

steroids N compounds that help to

grow muscles at a fast rate and help in recov-

ery.

deadlift N A lift in which one pulls

a bar from the ground

to the waist.

bodybuilder N a person who practices

bodybuilding.



locker Nroom

oom containing lockers, as in a gymnasium, factory, or school, for changing clothes and for the storage and safekeeping of personal belongings.