

Solutions Third Edition

The Test audio can be played from the Teacher's Resource Disk or you can use the downloaded MP3s.

Progress Test Answer Keys B

Unit 1

Grammar

1

- 1 had had
- 2 didn't use to like
- 3 was waiting
- 4 were working
- 5 had saved
- 6 wasn't listening
- 7 use to walk
- 8 had lost

2

- 1 came
- 2 had decided
- 3 didn't use to
- 4 had grown
- 5 used to miss
- 6 didn't get used to
- 7 was studying
- 8 started
- 9 were playing
- 10 saw
- 11 were making
- 12 changed

Vocabulary

3

- 1 toddler
- 2 criticism
- 3 look up to
- 4 nostalgic
- 5 middle-aged

4

- 1 walk out on
- 2 move
- 3 pessimistic
- 4 aggressive
- 5 accusing
- 6 dependable

5

- 1 enthusiastic
- 2 safe
- 3 fit in with
- 4 complementary
- 5 impatient
- 6 grateful
- 7 share
- 8 privacy
- 9 chores

Use of English

6

- 1 Personally, I believe
- 2 true **to say**
- 3 you **should** spend
- 4 **For** example
- 5 try **asking** people
- 6 I agree that
- 7 ought to **listen**
- 8 ought **to** make
- 9 **In** my experience
- 10 shouldn't **be** too

Listening

7

- A 5
- B 2
- C 4
- D 1
- E –
- F 3

Transcript ♀ 1

- 1 Now, before we go into the museum, I'm going to tell you a little about the history of our city. This used to be a very small town fifty years ago. Then people began to emigrate here from other countries. This area of the city used to be a village. Then they destroyed the old houses and built this museum. I know what it used to be like because I lived in the village when I was growing up. Now, if you want to take some photos ...

- 2** Arthur Wendlebury lived to be one hundred and was a famous writer. But he didn't have an easy life. He was born into a very poor family in Cornwall. He went into the army after he had left school because his parents didn't have enough money to send him to university. After the war had finished, he came home to Cornwall. And while he was living in a cold little house on the Cornish coast, he began to write his first book.
- 3** My Aunt Tessa got married last weekend. The wedding was here in London. My aunt's new husband Carl is from the United States, but he's been in Britain for years. He got a job here after he had finished university. Tessa and Carl got engaged two years ago, but they didn't get married straightaway because they were saving money to buy a house. We visited their new flat before the wedding.
- 4** How well do you get on with your parents? Do they criticise you all the time? Parents can be really irritating sometimes, can't they? This week on Channel Nine, we present 'How to live with your parents'. Now, earlier today, our presenter Jayne Hadfield was talking to young people on the streets of Coventry, so let's go over to her now. Hello Jayne ... we can see you on the screen. Can you hear us?
- 5** I wasn't born here in Britain. I grew up in Colombo, Sri Lanka. I used to love it there. The weather was warm and sunny and we used to play cricket every day after school. But after I'd left primary school, my dad got a job in Liverpool, so we had to emigrate to Britain. I used to hate it here because I missed my friends and family. But I slowly got used to Liverpool, and I really like it here now. I don't want to move back to Sri Lanka because I'm engaged to a man from Liverpool!

Reading

8

- 1 G
- 2 C
- 3 E
- 4 B
- 5 F

Unit 2

Grammar

1

- 1 has been
- 2 didn't become
- 3 bought
- 4 has been getting
- 5 has learned
- 6 's been taking
- 7 hasn't been doing
- 8 hasn't decided

2

- 1 've been trying, 've only finished
- 2 Have you ever eaten, had
- 3 haven't seen, have you been doing
- 4 fell, hasn't been sleeping
- 5 only moved, 've already made
- 6 have you been doing, did you get

3

- 1 Have you been walking
- 2 Did you bake
- 3 haven't been playing
- 4 hasn't worn
- 5 didn't see
- 6 Have you known

Vocabulary

4

- 1 curry
- 2 a real let-down
- 3 pitch
- 4 main
- 5 healthy
- 6 addictive

5

- 1 E
- 2 C
- 3 A
- 4 B
- 5 D

6

- 1 BMXing
- 2 gymnastics
- 3 exhausting
- 4 all along
- 5 fitness club
- 6 weights room
- 7 swimming pool
- 8 solar-heated
- 9 by

Use of English

7

- 1 would
- 2 fancy
- 3 idea
- 4 keen
- 5 rather
- 6 make
- 7 problem
- 8 Overall
- 9 Agree
- 10 settled

Listening

8

- 1 Claire
- 2 Gareth
- 3 Claire
- 4 Claire
- 5 Claire

Transcript ♫ 2

Claire Hi, Gareth! I'm surprised to see you in town on a Sunday.

Gareth Yeah, I've been looking for a present for my sister Maria all morning. I came in here for a rest and a sandwich!

Claire I just came in for a coffee, but I'm not doing anything after that. We can look for a present together, if you want.

Gareth Really? Thanks, Claire. Sit down and I'll buy you a coffee.

Claire Thanks! So are you organising a birthday party for Maria too?

Gareth Yes. I've been trying to decide what to do.

Claire I'll help you! I'm good at organising parties.

Gareth Cool!

Claire First of all, have you thought about food?

Gareth Yes. My grandma's going to bake a cake, and Mum is making some Italian things, like risotto. She's from Italy, you know.

Claire Really? I thought you were 100% Welsh.

Gareth My dad is Welsh, but Mum was born in Parma.

Claire I've been there once. We went last summer. It's nice.

Gareth Yes, I love it – and I've been going there since I was born! Anyway ... back to the party. I'm going to make some invitations. I've been doing an art course so ...

Claire Don't make invitations, Gareth. Just use social media to invite people.

Gareth Good idea. What about music? I haven't downloaded much new music this year.

Claire Well, I've got lots of music on my laptop – Bruno Mars, Rihanna, Katy Perry ...

Gareth Can you bring your laptop to the party?

Claire Sure. Now ... do you want people to dress up? I've got a spiderman costume ...

Gareth No, I don't think we should do that. Some people don't like wearing costumes.

Claire Don't they? Oh, OK.

Gareth Anyway, let's go shopping now.

Claire Hey, you promised me a coffee!

Reading

9

- 1 C
- 2 A
- 3 D
- 4 C
- 5 C

Unit 3

Grammar

1

- 1 will have finished
- 2 won't be relaxing
- 3 will be walking
- 4 will have left
- 5 will still be carrying
- 6 will be getting
- 7 will have got used
- 8 doubt
- 9 could
- 10 may
- 11 happens
- 12 won't

2

- 1 Will you go
- 2 buy
- 3 won't be
- 4 cancel
- 5 will have moved
- 6 'll be chatting
- 7 Will scientists have cured
- 8 will be living

3

- 1 I'll have read it by then.
- 2 A few hours from now, I'll be dancing to Rihanna.
- 3 He could have an accident.
- 4 It won't recover if you don't rest it.
- 5 You'll have done it all by dinner.
- 6 We'll be staying with an aunt.

Vocabulary

4

- 1 sadness
- 2 dehydrated
- 3 angrily
- 4 hopeless
- 5 dressing
- 6 political

5

- 1 disgusting
- 2 oxygen
- 3 bank
- 4 frostbite
- 5 bank
- 6 heat
- 7 intestines

6

- 1 bones
- 2 cut
- 3 bandage
- 4 antibiotics
- 5 annoyed
- 6 surprised
- 7 proud

Use of English

7

- 1 B
- 2 C
- 3 B
- 4 A
- 5 C
- 6 A
- 7 A
- 8 B
- 9 C
- 10 C

Listening

8

- 1 F
- 2 T
- 3 F
- 4 T
- 5 T

Transcript ♫ 3

Presenter You're listening to Pop FM 108.5. Now, with us in the studio today is Marianne Dawson. You're lucky to be here today, aren't you, Marianne?

Marianne Yes, I am. Next month, I will be celebrating. Five years will have passed since I nearly died!

Presenter What happened?

Marianne I fell into an icy lake, and I couldn't get out. I was alone, and by the time anyone found me, my heart had stopped. But an ambulance came and they managed to start my heart again – twenty minutes later! I was very lucky.

Presenter And that's why you wrote a book called *You Can Survive Anything*?

Marianne Yes. I thought people might want to read stories like mine.

Presenter Well, there are some great stories in the book. Tell listeners about Mount Everest, Marianne.

Marianne Yes, in 1996 a climber called Beck Weathers was lost in a terrible storm on Mount Everest. He slowly got weaker and weaker, until he couldn't stand up or move any more. Soon, he couldn't move his arms, legs or even his eyelids!

Presenter And nobody helped him?

Marianne Some climbers found him, but they thought he was dead. Then, amazingly, after 24 hours up there in temperatures of -40°C, Weathers suddenly stood up and walked down the mountain!

Presenter That's amazing!

Marianne Well, the human body is amazing – it will try to find a way to keep you alive, even if it seems impossible. You may even survive if you fall from a plane.

Presenter Really?

Marianne Yes. In 1971, seventeen-year-old Julianne Koepke was on a plane in Peru when a storm destroyed it. She fell three kilometres from the sky into the forest below. The trees slowed her fall.

Presenter Did she break many bones?

Marianne Only one bone in her shoulder. Then she walked for ten days through the forest until someone found her.

Presenter Wow! Well ...

Reading

9

- 1 D
- 2 G
- 3 F
- 4 A
- 5 B

Unit 4

Grammar

1

- 1 would come
- 2 were / was
- 3 least favourite
- 4 didn't have to
- 5 darker and darker
- 6 more old-fashioned
- 7 the best
- 8 would finish
- 9 quicker
- 10 helped
- 11 would do
- 12 didn't hurt

2

- 1 If we repaired the windows, rain water wouldn't come into the house.
- 2 This is the most unusual house I have ever visited.
- 3 I wouldn't eat this much food if I wasn't / weren't so hungry.
- 4 The bigger the house is, the longer it takes to clean it.
- 5 Max would tell the teacher if you tried to cheat in the exam.
- 6 Grandad can see the TV more easily with his glasses on.
- 7 The garden would look great if you planted some flowerbeds.

3

- 1 This is the least spacious bedroom in the house, but it's still quite big.
- 2 ✓
- 3 If you could live anywhere in the world, would you stay in the UK or go to a different country?
- 4 Could you play your music more quietly, please? I want to sleep.
- 5 ✓
- 6 You arrived earlier than I expected, but please come in.
- 7 If you exercised more often, you would be healthier.

Vocabulary

4

- 1 terraced
- 2 cramped
- 3 lawn
- 4 sliding doors
- 5 dining
- 6 ocean view

5

- 1 duvet
- 2 curtains
- 3 bunk bed
- 4 studio flat
- 5 cupboard
- 6 lively area

6

- 1 D
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 H
- 5 F
- 6 A
- 7 G
- 8 E

Use of English

7

- 1 Whereas
- 2 thing
- 3 than
- 4 things
- 5 Thinking
- 6 see
- 7 as
- 8 What
- 9 point
- 10 think

Listening

8

- 1 A
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 C
- 5 B

Transcript ♫ 4

1

Dad Here's a cup of coffee, Jen.

Jenny Thanks, Dad.

Dad Hey, you've nearly finished packing your things.

Jenny Yeah. Will we be happy in our new place, Dad?

Dad Of course we will. Your new bedroom is nice, and there's the sports centre across the road.

Jenny Yes, I'm pleased about that. But I wish our new garden was bigger.

Dad Yes, I'm sorry to leave this garden behind too. But if we got some plants for the new patio, it would look nicer.

Jenny Yes – that could help. Anyway, I should get back to work.

Dad Me too.

2 Welcome to Chedworth Roman Villa. Now, if you were here in the 4th century, you would see a house full of beautiful furniture and art. It was home to one of the richest and most powerful Roman families in Britain. We've got two hours to look around, buy souvenirs and eat something at the café. After that, it's a one-hour drive to the Roman museum in Cirencester, and then on to our hotel, just a short distance away.

3 Welcome to *Great Buildings*. And today, the programme is visiting Punta del Este in Uruguay, to see the amazing house of Uruguay's most famous artist, Carlos Páez Vilaró. Vilaró wanted his house to be a work of art, so he built it himself – without any architects, any real plans or any professional builders. Vilaró believed that if he asked local villagers to help him build the house, he would get a more original building. And he was right. Now ...

4

Becky Do you like it?

Belinda I love it. The walls aren't straight. It's great!

Becky I was amazed when I first saw this house.

Nothing in the house is straight, and it's all built from recycled materials. Do you want to see my room? It's got a big window in the roof – so I can lie in my bed and look up at the stars. I've got a great view out over the water too.

Belinda Wow. Come on then, let's go and have a look.

5 OK, now this is the kitchen. And as you can see, it's got a great ocean view. The architect knows that people spend a lot of time in the kitchen, and that's why he put these big windows in here. If you bought this house, you could look out at the Atlantic while you were cooking. Now, let's go back through the hall to the living room. That room also has an ocean view. Then we'll look at the bedrooms.

Reading

9

- A 2
- B 4
- C 3, 5
- D 1

Unit 5

Grammar

1

- 1 All
- 2 any
- 3 couldn't have
- 4 should have
- 5 might have
- 6 no
- 7 must have
- 8 few
- 9 many
- 10 a little

2

- 1 might not have seen
- 2 don't spend much
- 3 can't have stolen
- 4 must have been
- 5 didn't eat a lot
- 6 couldn't have won
- 7 either of
- 8 Every computer has
- 9 may have gone
most of

Vocabulary

3

- 1 follow on
- 2 scroll down
- 3 dissatisfied with
- 4 click on
- 5 sensitive to
- 6 addicted to
- 7 come up with

4

- 1 E
- 2 G
- 3 F
- 4 A
- 5 D
- 6 B
- 7 C

5

- 1 R.E.
- 2 drama
- 3 I.C.T.
- 4 smartwatch
- 5 geography
- 6 camcorder

Use of English

6

- 1 theme
- 2 first
- 3 whereas
- 4 like
- 5 as
- 6 rather
- 7 though
- 8 opinion
- 9 seem
- 10 thing

Listening

7

- 1 C
- 2 A
- 3 A
- 4 C
- 5 A

Transcript ♫ 5

1

Guide This computer is called the Univac 1. It was built in 1950, and as you can see, it's huge. Now, do any of you know when the first computers were invented?

Man In the late 1800s?

Guide No, the first real working computers were built in the 1930s and 1940s, and they were even bigger than Univac 1. The government used most of them, and some universities bought computers too. They cost a lot of both time and money to build.

Woman They must have been difficult to program too!

Guide Yes, I'm sure they were. Now, let's go next door to see a short film called *The History of Computers*.

2 We've just got time to look at one more film: *Upload*, by Director Herman Wienbrenner. The film begins when the lights go out in every city on Earth, and many planes fall out of the sky. A computer virus must have done these things, but who could have created it, and why? Soon scientist Jane Straw – that's the Oscar winning actress Candice Trevelyan – discovers the truth. The virus could not have come from Earth. Something out there in space is using our computers to kill us. Now, that's the end of *Films Today*, but I leave you with this song by ...

3

Assistant Can I help you?

Girl Yes, I bought this phone here a few days ago, and I'm really dissatisfied with it because it isn't very good.

Assistant OK. What's wrong with it?

Girl I can't use some of the apps, so I want a refund.

Assistant Hmm. Have you tried updating the apps?

Girl But it's a new phone. I only bought it on Saturday.

Assistant Yes, but it was in the sale last week because it's quite an old one. The apps on this phone might have been installed in the factory two years ago. You need to update some of the software on them. I'll do that for you now.

Girl OK. Thanks.

4 Introducing the new Smart 1022. The Smart 1022 comes with a full-size keyboard, so you can use it on your desk, like a normal computer. But you can also leave the keyboard behind and use it as a tablet. Connect to the internet when you want, where you want with our SIM card. Use it to phone your friends! It really is the best computer in the shops at the moment. Buy a Smart 1022, and you won't need any other computers. So call our hotline ...

5

Grandfather When I started using computers, many years ago, things were very different. They didn't have a mouse then. We had to type every instruction on the keyboard. There were no operating systems like Windows then either.

Girl It must have been difficult, Grandpa.

Grandfather Well, it might have been easier for us really. You see, few people knew how to use computers when I started. So it was easy to find work. Then I started to write programs. I had some good ideas too.

Girl Maybe you should have started a computer company, Grandpa. You might have become very rich.

Grandfather Yes, perhaps I could have done that. But I was happy in my university job.

Reading

8

- 1 D
- 2 C
- 3 D
- 4 C
- 5 D

Unit 6

Grammar

1

- 1 which / that you wanted
- 2 , which is a very smart clothing shop
- 3 , where you can find some nice cafés and shops
- 4 , which actually lasts 45 minutes
- 5 who work there
- 6 who owns the shop
- 7 , whose names I'm still trying to remember
- 8 , which isn't too early
- 9 who shop there
- 10 where they should be

2

- 1 That's the hospital where my mum works as a nurse.
- 2 The helicopter paramedics, who give emergency health treatment, save many lives.
- 3 Millions of tourists, who come from all over the world, visit Oxford every year.
- 4 The sales assistant who I spoke to gave me a refund straightaway.
- 5 This yellow house, where a famous artist once lived, is now a local tourist attraction.
- 6 My sister knows someone whose parents are actors.

3

- 1 She's a neighbour whose son goes to my school.
- 2 Auntie May, who lives in the USA, works at the Chicago Memorial Hospital.
- 3 An okapi is a strange animal which / that lives in Central Africa.
- 4 Michelle started a business five years ago, which is doing very well.

Vocabulary

4

- 1 F Flexibility
- 2 D thoughtful
- 3 B Pessimism
- 4 A shy
- 5 E stubborn
- 6 C ambition

5

- 1 follow
- 2 determined
- 3 to
- 4 up to
- 5 discovered
- 6 for
- 7 after
- 8 on

6

- 1 babysitter
- 2 receptionist
- 3 run out of
- 4 common sense
- 5 bring it up
- 6 hold you up

Use of English

7

- 1 I'd be interested to know if / whether I would be working as part of a team.
- 2 May I ask what your name is?
- 3 I was wondering if you provided training?
- 4 Another thing I'd like to ask is about parking.
- 5 May I ask where the toilets are?
- 6 Could you tell me whether / if the job is permanent?
- 7 I was wondering if it was always this busy.
- 8 I'd like to know if I need to work evenings.
- 9 I'd be interested to know how many people work / worked here.
- 10 I'd like to know what level of qualifications you were looking for.

Listening

8

- 1 T
- 2 F
- 3 T
- 4 T
- 5 F

Transcript ♀ 6

Chris Hi there. I'm Chris. Are you here for the TV show?

Kelly *Young Business Person of the Year?* Yes, I am.
I'm Kelly. I started a company when I was twelve.

Chris Really? You're ahead of me then. I started my business when I was fifteen, which I thought was young.

Kelly What business is that?

Chris I design and make clothes.

Kelly Cool. How did you start?

Chris Well, I've always been interested in making clothes which look different. Most people just wear the clothes that the big companies sell in the shops. So I started making clothes for friends who wanted something different. At first, I went to charity shops, where I could buy clothes cheaply. Then I cut these clothes up and made them into something new.

Kelly Cool. And then you turned your interest into a company?

Chris Yes. I draw my own designs, and I use new material now, not old clothes. Anyway, what about you?

Kelly Well, I've been writing computer programs since I was very young. Then, two years ago, I wrote an app which helps people to use social media.

Chris What does it do?

Kelly Well, you know how every time someone posts a comment or changes their photo, you get a message on your smartphone. It's difficult to read everything. You can easily miss something which is more important, so I wrote an app which helps people to organise their messages.

Chris That's really useful. I need that.

Kelly Well, download my app, then. It's free!

Chris So, how do you make money if your app is free?

Kelly I get lots of money from the companies who advertise on my app. Thousands of people use it now. What about you? Have you been very successful?

Chris Yes, I have. After I started the company, I put photos of my designs on Instagram, and a band who saw them contacted me. I've made clothes for lots of famous people since then. Soon, I'll be a millionaire.

Reading

9

- 1 B
- 2 F
- 3 G
- 4 A
- 5 D

Unit 7

Grammar

1

- 1 C
- 2 A
- 3 C
- 4 B
- 5 C
- 6 B
- 7 B
- 8 A
- 9 C
- 10 A

2

- 1 yourself
- 2 is the wedding being held
- 3 had his hair dyed
- 4 haven't been paid
- 5 doesn't have it cut
- 6 myself
- 7 had the book printed
- 8 ourselves
- 9 wasn't told
- 10 themselves

Vocabulary

3

- 1 art exhibition
- 2 statue
- 3 circus
- 4 ballet
- 5 conductor
- 6 comedy club
- 7 actor

4

- 1 done
- 2 melody
- 3 opera
- 4 hacked
- 5 novelist
- 6 techno

5

- 1 brightly coloured
- 2 piano recital
- 3 peers
- 4 lethargic
- 5 foolish
- 6 norm
- 7 tree trunk

Use of English

6

- 1 C
- 2 B
- 3 B
- 4 C
- 5 B
- 6 A
- 7 C
- 8 A
- 9 B
- 10 C

Listening

7

- A 4
- B 1
- C –
- D 2
- E 5
- F 3

Transcript ♀ 7

- 1 Is Chinese artist Cai Guo-Qiang a painter, a sculptor or a show director? Well, he's all of these things. He makes huge sculptures – and the amazing 2008 Beijing Olympic Games opening show was organised by him too. But he's probably most famous for his fire paintings, which are made by explosions. There are exhibitions of his work all around the world, and galleries and museums have had a lot of books written about him too. So if you're interested in modern Chinese art, check him out.
- 2 Before you look around the museum, I want to tell you about the history of St Ives. St Ives was just a small fishing town on the Cornish coast until the 1950s. Then artists were attracted to the town by its wild, natural beauty. The history of modern British art was changed by some of these artists, but life wasn't easy for them. They lived in old stone cottages which had been made for poor people – and *they* were very poor too! Today, they are famous, of course. The Tate Gallery had this museum built just to show their work!
- 3 Christopher Paolini's first book was written when he was fifteen. That's amazing, but it's not why I like him. His books are fantasy books, of course. His animals fly and people have amazing powers, and I don't usually like things like that. But Paolini's books are really exciting, and he makes you believe in the story. It has been said that Christopher Paolini's books are for younger children, but I don't agree. I think both teenagers and adults should read them – because they're just amazing!
- 4 You're listening to *Early Evenings* with Maria Barranca. Well, it's September again – and next week is the start of the Sausalito Arts Festival. Two hundred and sixty artists have been chosen to be in this year's festival, so you can see great painting, sculpture, clothes and even have your portrait drawn! Or why not sit by San Francisco Bay and listen to the great musicians who have been invited to perform here this year. The festival is on from 5–7 September, and you really should visit. It's going to be great fun!

5 I can't believe it's been 25 years since we started the band. We used to practise in my aunt's house. She was often visited by the neighbours when we made too much noise! People asked us to play at weddings and things like that, but we weren't paid much money. Then, one day, a girl came up to us after a show and said, 'Can I borrow your guitar?' After she'd been given Jake's guitar, she played a song that we'd never heard before. It had great harmonies and an amazing beat. We invited Jenny to join the band that day. And *she* made us famous.

Reading

8

- 1 D
- 2 C
- 3 A
- 4 C
- 5 B

Unit 8

Grammar

1

- 1 she had come back
- 2 if we were going to the concert
- 3 we would have a great time
- 4 how we were getting there
- 5 my dad was taking us
- 6 he could stop at her place
- 7 how much the tickets cost
- 8 I could buy tickets for everyone

2

- 1 (that) they would phone me back the following day
- 2 (that) she shouldn't go out that night
- 3 how much I had paid for the concert tickets the day before
- 4 (that) he was using the computer then / at that moment
- 5 they were going to have a test the following Monday
- 6 if he had posted anything new on his blog that week

3

- 1 ✓
- 2 Tanya said that she was going on holiday the following week.
- 3 When I called, Josh's mum said that he had left hospital a few hours before.
- 4 The girls asked us what time the play would start.
- 5 ✓
- 6 Sean asked me if I could get a signal on the mobile phone.

Vocabulary

4

- 1 get back
- 2 picked up
- 3 break up
- 4 lost
- 5 blamed
- 6 persuade
- 7 refused
- 8 offer

5

- 1 blog
- 2 science fiction
- 3 newspaper
- 4 western
- 5 poem
- 6 horror

6

- 1 promise
- 2 recharge
- 3 comedy
- 4 thank
- 5 wonder
- 6 remind

Use of English

7

- 1 pretty
- 2 looks
- 3 sure
- 4 can't
- 5 Judging
- 6 I'd
- 7 say
- 8 could
- 9 clear
- 10 view

Listening

8

- 1 C
- 2 B
- 3 D
- 4 C
- 5 C

Transcript ♫ 8

Presenter With us in the studio today is Marion Jacobs, who has just written a book about computer millionaire and businessman Elon Musk. Now, when we talk about people who have been influential in the world of computing, most people can name people like Steve Jobs, Mark Zuckerberg and Bill Gates, but not many people have heard of Elon Musk.

Marion No. But like Zuckerberg and Gates, he started young, had a great idea and became a millionaire in his twenties. Unlike them, Musk wasn't born in the USA. He grew up in Pretoria, South Africa. Musk moved to Canada when he was seventeen and went to university there. And now he lives in California.

Presenter And who taught him about computers?

Marion Well, he taught himself actually. When he was twelve, he sold his first computer program for \$500.

Presenter What was it?

Marion It was a video game. But that was just the start. In 1995, he started a computer company called Zip 2 with his brother. A few years later, someone asked them if they wanted to sell the company, and gave them millions of dollars for it! Then in 2001, Musk was one of the people who created PayPal.

Presenter I use PayPal all the time to buy things on the internet.

Marion And so do many other people – PayPal made Elon Musk very rich.

Presenter So what does he do now?

Marion Many things, like sending rockets into space.

Presenter Really?

Marion Yes. When Elon Musk said that he would build space rockets in 2002, most people thought he wouldn't succeed. But just seven years later his company, Space X, put the world's first private rocket into space. Musk designed the rocket himself! Then in 2012, he sent a Space X rocket to the International Space Station.

Presenter Are there Space X astronauts then?

Marion No, the rockets don't carry people yet, but Elon Musk has said that he would like to do that soon. And he isn't just interested in rockets. Another of his companies, Tesla Motors, builds electric cars.

Presenter Aren't electric cars really slow?

Marion Not any more. Tesla cars can go fast, and they're great for the planet because they don't use fossil fuels like petrol.

Presenter So he does a lot for the environment, then?

Marion Yes – and for charity too. One of Elon Musk's companies helps to build solar power stations ... and after a tsunami hit Fukushima, Japan in 2011, Musk said he could help. He built a solar power station to help the city. And a year later, he said he was going to give most of his money to charity one day.

Presenter That's generous! So ... he's changed the internet, built rockets and helped people and the environment. What do you think is his most interesting idea?

Marion Well, maybe it's something called the Hyperloop.

Presenter The Hyperloop? What's that?

Marion It's a super-high-speed train which travels inside a tunnel. In 2013, Musk told reporters he wanted to build a 600-kilometre Hyperloop between San Francisco and Los Angeles. It usually takes six hours to drive between the cities. But Musk said his train could do the journey in 35 minutes!

Presenter So when are they going to build it?

Marion Well, at the moment, it's just an idea. But maybe one day his dream could come true. And it could change how everyone travels!

Reading

9

- 1 E
- 2 G
- 3 A
- 4 C
- 5 D

Unit 9

Grammar

1

- 1 using
- 2 had got
- 3 would have bought
- 4 would have arrived
- 5 hadn't lost
- 6 explaining

2

- 1 They're going to send our parents a letter telling them about the school trip to the transport museum.
- 2 That's a cable car for skiers going from the village to the top of the mountain.
- 3 The coach wouldn't have gone off the road into a field if it hadn't been very icy.
- 4 Helicopters fly over the Grand Canyon all the time taking tourists on thirty-minute flights.
- 5 Lewis Hamilton would have won the Formula One race if his car hadn't had a problem.
- 6 If the weather hadn't been terrible, I would have cycled to school.
- 7 Ferry boats leave this harbour all the time visiting the San Juan islands.

3

- 1 I would have slept better last night if I hadn't watched that horror film.
- 2 The girl talking to Mark right now is his cousin Julia from America.
- 3 ✓
- 4 The film, set in Paris, stars George Clooney.
- 5 If the weather had been warmer, we would have gone to the beach.
- 6 ✓
- 7 If my family hadn't moved to Brighton, I wouldn't have met Kelly at school there.

Vocabulary

4

- 1 A
- 2 B
- 3 B
- 4 C
- 5 B
- 6 A

5

- 1 accommodation
- 2 platform
- 3 discomfort
- 4 loneliness
- 5 reach
- 6 hiking

6

- 1 deck
- 2 luggage
- 3 horse riding
- 4 brave
- 5 scuba diving
- 6 safety
- 7 remember
- 8 villa

Use of English

7

- 1 have you
- 2 Couldn't you
- 3 wasn't it
- 4 Was it
- 5 didn't I
- 6 don't we
- 7 Is it
- 8 isn't it
- 9 Are we
- 10 won't you

Listening

8

- 1 C
- 2 C
- 3 C
- 4 A
- 5 B

Transcript ♫ 9

1 If the internet hadn't changed everything, most people would never have discovered independent travel. We would still book our holidays at a travel agent's, going on big group tours and not learning about the local people and culture. Now, of course, we can just book everything cheaply online, going where we want when we want. It's great to be independent, and new websites make it easier for you to spend more time with the local people and get to know them too. You can pay to stay in someone's house, living with their family. And when you need to go somewhere, you can use your smartphone to ask for a ride. Someone from the local area will come and drive you to your destination in their own private car.

2

Martha How was the school trip?

Ben Great! I wouldn't have gone to the Riverside Museum if the school hadn't taken us, but it was really interesting.

Martha Who went?

Ben My class and class 10B.

Martha Right. People say the Riverside is the best museum in Glasgow ...

Ben Well, it's certainly very popular. It was full of tour guides showing groups around – and it would probably have been even more crowded if we'd gone at the weekend.

Martha What did you see?

Ben Well, there are lots of interesting old trains, buses and cars. But the best thing was the museum building itself. It's an amazing place, designed by a famous architect called Zaha Hadid!

3 From kayaking on Lake Windermere, to art lessons and learning how to climb, the Lakelands Activity Centre has it all. There are activities for all ages at the centre, so you'll certainly find something to do, enjoying amazing views and great company at the same time. We're right next to Lake Windermere, quite possibly the prettiest place in Britain. Both school groups and families can stay at the centre campsite, sleeping under the stars. Or you can enjoy the comfortable rooms at the Lake View Hotel, recently built nearby. We're open every year from April to October, so come along. There's something for everyone at the Lakelands Activity Centre!

4 Right, well ... our bus is getting close to Nuwara Eliya, one of the highest and coolest places in Sri Lanka. This makes it a great place to grow Sri Lankan 'Ceylon tea'. But the town wouldn't have become famous for tea if one man hadn't brought tea plants here from China in 1847. His name was James Taylor, and we'll hear more about him later. Now before we arrive in Nuwara Eliya, we're going to stop at a tea factory and farm. There we'll take a short tour, learning how tea is produced. Then we'll have a nice cup of the world's best tea!

5

Receptionist Can I help you, Madam?

Woman Yes. The people in the next room are very noisy. I can't sleep.

Receptionist Well, it's only 10.30. Perhaps they'll be quiet later.

Woman They weren't quiet last night though. Can't you change my room? The shower doesn't work either.

Receptionist If you'd asked earlier, we could have changed your room. But all the rooms with views are full now. Would you like a room without an ocean view?

Woman No! If I'd wanted a cheaper room, I would have booked one!

Receptionist Right, well ... I'll phone the next room, asking them to be quieter. And someone will fix that shower too.

Reading

9

- A 4
- B 2
- C 3
- D 2
- E 1