

# **ENGLISH**

**Chapter 10 Session B** 

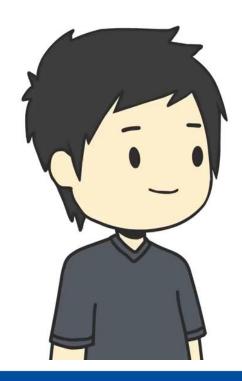


**WHAT NEXT?** 





#### **HELICOMOTIVATION**





# An article

1 Check the meaning of the phrases in the box. Which of them have you done?

dye your hair get your driver's license have/get your ears pierced ride a moped travel independently work part-time



2 Look quickly at the text. How many phrases from exercise 1 can you find? What other activities are mentioned?



#### 1 Vote

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#### 3 Drive

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#### 5 Work

Even if you won't be working full-time for another few years, you can get a part-time job while you're studying in most countries. In Britain you can leave school at 16, although you must continue with some kind of education (e.g. an apprenticeship or part-time vocational course) until the age of 18. **5**\_\_\_.

# 6 Change your 'look'

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# Any surprises? Let us know! When can you do these things in YOUR country?

\* But remember – even though you can do something without your parents' permission, it's always better to tell them what you're up to!

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

American scientist Alia Sabur didn't wait to do things at the usual times. She got a black belt in taekwondo at the age of nine, started college when she was 10, and became the world's youngest professor at the age of 18! 3 126 Read the text and complete blanks 1-6 with sentences a-f. Then listen and check.

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### **Surprising things** that teens can do!\*

Although you don't come of age in most countries until you're 18, it's surprising what teens CAN do around the world. Take a look at our list and let us know what you think!



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- **a** And if you can't wait to be your own boss, at 16 you can also set up your own business!
- **b** However, evidence shows that 16–17 year-olds are more likely to vote than those over 18.
- **c** Every second of every day, three people around the world receive a life-saving blood transfusion.
- 3 d And you only need to wait until you're 17 to pass your test in Ireland, Poland, Austria and the UK.
- **6** e However, you must be over 18 to make more permanent changes.
- **2 f** Most commercial pilots start work in their 20s, but 19-year-old Luke Elsworth is one of Britain's youngest.

#### Subskill: Recognizing examples

Sometimes examples appear at the beginning of a sentence: For example, ... For instance, ...

Sometimes they are introduced in the middle of a sentence: *like, such as, including, e.g.* (= for example).



Find three places in the text where the writer gives examples.

For example, in Britain

including Alaska and Wyoming

like Japan, Canada and Britain,

(e.g. an apprenticeship or part-time vocational course)

# Answer the questions. Use expressions for giving examples where possible and information from the text.

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- 1 In which countries can you vote at the age of 16? Austria, Brazil, Ecuador and Scotland.
- Where can you get a learner's license for driving before you're 15?
  In some American States, including Alaska and Wyoming.
- 3 Where can you be a blood donor at the age of 17? Japan, Canada and Britain.
- 4 What must all young people in the UK do until the age of 18? They must continue with some kind of education.
- 5 How can young people in Britain change their They can dye their hair and have their ears pierced.

# Complete the sentences. Use the words in parentheses and facts from the text.

- 1 In the UAE, you can't (...) . (until) vote until you are 25.
- You can fly a glider (...) . (without) in Britain without your parents' permission at 16.
- With your parents' permission, you can (...) . (ride) ride a moped at 15 in many countries.
- 4 You could save three lives if (...) . (donate) you donate one pint of blood.
- 5 You can dye your hair (...) . (age) at the age of 16 in Britain without your parents' permission.

#### Word work

#### Match the definitions to the

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words in bold in the text.

- 1 reach your (16th) birthday
- 2 prevent people/someone from dying
- 3 reach the age legally



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doesn't happen

