



# ENGLISH

## Chapter 4 Session A

**4th**  
SECONDARY

**Skills Expansion**

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# Listening



## Skills expansion

Skill: **Identifying relationships**

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**15** Listen to Parveen talk on the phone. Who do you think she is speaking about? Write the number of each conversation (1–5) next to the correct person.

- \_\_\_\_\_ a co-worker
- \_\_\_\_\_ her husband
- \_\_\_\_\_ her best friend
- \_\_\_\_\_ a member of her family
- \_\_\_\_\_ her neighbor





**2**  **15** Listen again and make a list of any words or phrases that help identify each person Parveen is speaking about.

*1 our anniversary ... we're saving up ...*





## Viewing



**1** Before you watch, discuss with a partner which of these life changes you think is the biggest. Explain your reasons.

☐ getting married

☐ getting a new job

☐ moving to a new country

☐ falling in love

☐ going to university

☐ leaving home

☐ buying your first apartment

☐ graduating

**2** Watch the video. Check (✓) the events that Angela mentions.





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## Video **vocabulary**

**chat** (*v.*) to talk in a friendly way

**concierge** (*n.*) a hotel employee who helps guests with information on local events, etc.

**settle down** (*phr.v.*) to decide to live permanently in one place



**3 Watch again. Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.**

- 1 Angela went to Switzerland ...  
**a** to work. **b** to study. **c** on vacation.
- 2 She was there for ...  
**a** two months. **b** ten months. **c** a couple of years.
- 3 She returned to New York because she ...  
**a** got a new job. **b** missed her friends.  
**c** wanted to be with her family.
- 4 Five years from now she would like to ...  
**a** own her own home. **b** go traveling again.  
**c** get married.
- 5 She plans to return to Switzerland ...  
**a** for a short break. **b** to look for a job. **c** to settle down.

**4 Would you like to live and work abroad one day? Tell a partner.**



# Reading

## Skill: Scanning

### Skills tip

*Scanning* means quickly looking through a text to find the information you need. Make sure you know what information you want to find **before** you start reading the text.

**1**

**16** For each question, quickly look through the magazine article about snowboarding to find the answer.

- 1 How old was Phil when he met Mika?
- 2 Why was Mika angry when they first met?
- 3 When did they get married?
- 4 When did they start to enter snowboarding competitions?
- 5 How many competitions have they won?
- 6 Have they started their own snowboarding school yet?







# Snowboarding changed our lives

Find out how two young people found romance ... thanks to their love of snow!

When Phil Spencer went skiing three years ago, he had no idea how much his life would change as a result. "I was a terrible skier. I could hardly stand up!" says Phil, now 25.

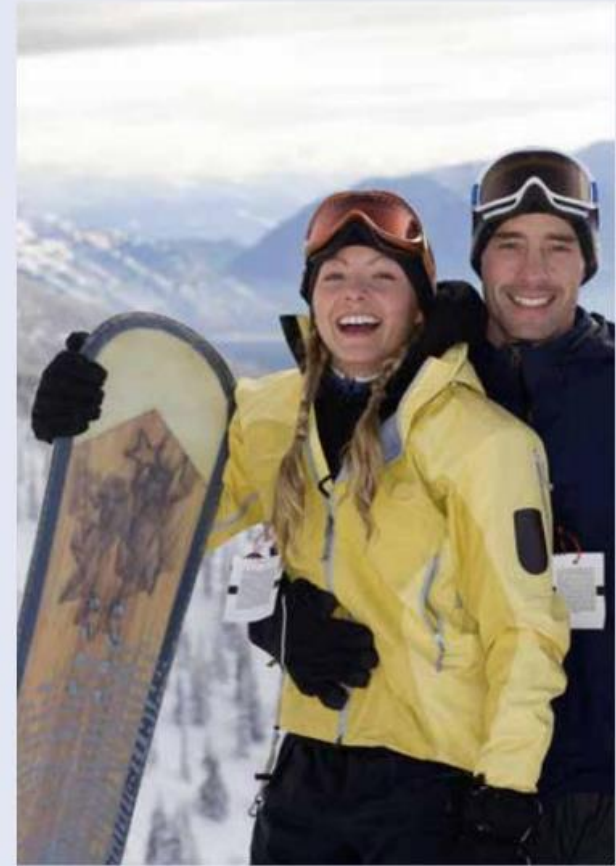
On Phil's first trip down the mountain he fell and crashed into a group of people standing nearby. He didn't know then, but they were snowboarders.

"I heard someone shouting at me; I looked up and there was Mika."

"I've never forgotten the time I first saw him. I was so angry," adds Mika. "But when I helped him up, he gave me a beautiful smile ... and invited me to

dinner to thank me!" That day changed their lives forever. Mika started to teach Phil to snowboard. "Snowboarding is easier than skiing and more fun," she says. "A snowboard is wider and shorter than skis." Two years later Mika and Phil got married. Soon after, they began entering snowboarding competitions together. "We entered our first one in Switzerland and we won!" says Phil.

Since then, they've entered over 20 tournaments all around the world, winning half that number. One day soon they hope to start their own snowboarding school!

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- 2** What snow sports have you tried?  
Tell a partner.

## Writing

- 1** Write a paragraph about an event that changed your life. Look at the Study guide to help you.

*My life has changed a lot since I started college two years ago.*

### Study guide

#### Writing about an event that changed your life

- 1 Think of an experience you've had that has changed your life.  
*started college / passed my driving test / got a job*
- 2 Add some details.  
*two years ago / last summer*
- 3 Say why this event changed your life.  
*left home / met a lot of new friends*