

**English Online** 

## **Community Centre**

Theme:

**Employment Matters** 



### Before we start, please make sure...

- √ your name on Zoom is clear (use Latin letters)
- √ your camera is on and mic is off (unmute when needed)
- √ you are in a quiet area that helps you focus
- √ you have a notebook or a note app ready to take notes



### Zoom features

Check your audio and video settings



Use Latin letters for your name





Side-by-side mode

Zoom Ratio Fit to Window >

**View Options V** 

**Annotate** 

Ask questions in the Chat or use Reactions

Share Screen when the teacher asks





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Use Save to make screenshots

Use Annotate when a screen is share

## Welcome to English Online



How does it work? You need to complete all three parts to get the most out of English Online.

Live class

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After-class speaking session (optional)

Practise after class

## After-class speaking session

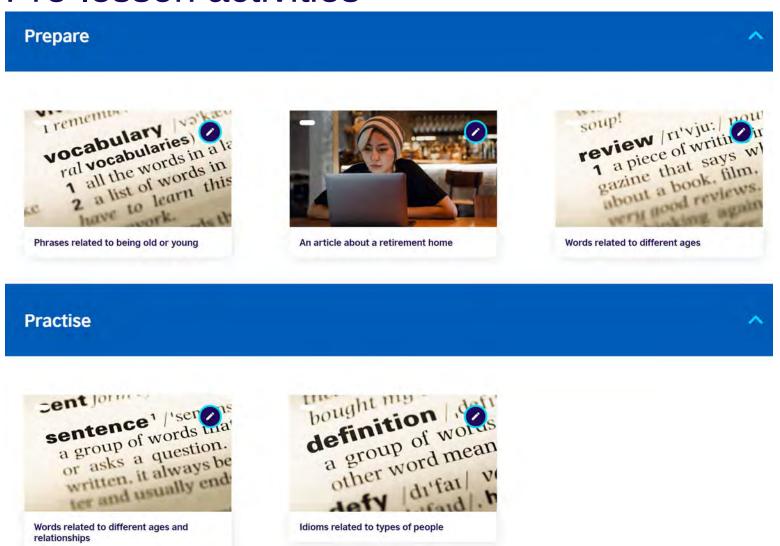
Stay back after class for 5 or 10 minutes to talk to your classmates from around the world.

### This extra speaking practice will help you...

- improve your conversation skills
- practise using language learnt in class
- support and help your fellow students
- practise using English in a natural context
- become a part of a global learning community



### Pre-lesson activities



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Lesson objective

What do you expect to learn by the end of this class?

## Lesson objectives

In this live part of the lesson, you will you will decide which six candidates should be invited to a community centre, and will present and justify your decisions. You will also review vocabulary related to different generations and idioms to describe people that you learned before the lesson.

### Highlighted skills:

Speaking (live class) and reading (before and after the lesson)

### **Language focus:**

**Vocabulary**: Different generations and Idioms to describe people

Functional language: Expressing preferences and doubt

### Lead-in

Imagine you are travelling in a train compartment with the people in your group.

In chat, I will give you a sentence each. You have to start a conversation together and aim to slip in and use your sentence without the others noticing.

At the end, try to guess each other's sentence.

How were all of the sentences related?

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## Lead-in (alternative)

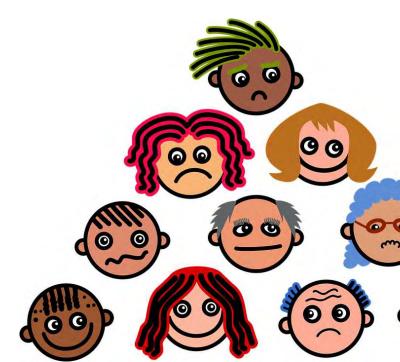
- (1) What comes to mind when you hear the term 'old age'?
- (2) Do you worry about your old age?
- (3) What do you think old age is like?
- (4) How will your life be different when you reach your old age?
- (5) When does old age start?
- (6) Is it important to prepare financially for old age?
- (7) What new hobbies will you take up in your old age?
- (10) How is old age different from being middle aged?

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## Language focus 1

# Look at these word groups to describe people. What are the differences in meaning between the words? Discuss with your gro

- 1 infants, juveniles, adolescents, toddlers
- 2 stranger, outsider, foreigner, immigrant
- 3 aged, ancient, elderly, senior
- 4 widower, single, bachelor, widow
- 5 best man, godfather, guardian, stepfather
- 6 family, relation, relative, extended family



## Language focus 2

Rephrase the sentences using the words in brackets.

- 1. He always keeps his promises. (word) He always keeps his word.
- 2. She comes across very aloof but she's really warm and friendly, once you get her. (down)
  She comes across very aloof, but deep down, she's really warm and friendly.
- 3. She's generous. (heart) She's generous at heart.
- 4. He has all the traits of an adulterer. (through) He's an adulterer through and through
- 5. Lots of bad things have happened in his life, but he has coped. (stuff) Lots of bad things have happened in his life, but he's made of sterner stuff.

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## Language focus 2 (Extension)

### Tell your partner about...

- a person you know who is a man/woman of few words
- a person you know who maybe doesn't make the best first impression, but who is a really nice person deep down
- a person you know who has had a difficult life, but is made of sterner stuff
- a person you know who is a rebel at heart
- an older person you know who is still young at heart



# Task



## Task Preparation

In the table below, you have some expressions that could help you when you do your task. What's the function of the expressions in e

column?

Saying what you want to happen	Discussing potential problems	Discussing individual candidates
Personally, I think we should	What I think we should avoid is	An important point in his/her favour is
I'm in favour of I think is the priority here.	One thing that worries/concerns me is	might not fit very well with the rest of the group.
TICIC.	could cause problems.	I think he/she might have difficulty

## Task

You are going to read about **ten** people who have been **shortlisted** to take part in an **intergenerational** school project. On your own, make your selection of the **six** best candidates (**three** senior citizens and **three** children), and think about how to **justify** your decision to the other students.

Then, with your partner, discuss and decide on the six best candidates using the phrases on the previous slide if you need them. You will have to explain your decisions to the rest of the group – so remember to **justify** your choices!

### Feedback

Good usage: do-able, elderly people

**Remember:** 

**Another + singular [another elderly person]** 

Other + plural [other elderly people]

### Review

What have you learned from today's lesson?

What was challenging? Why?

How can you consolidate your learning after class?

Did you participate fully?

Did you achieve your aims for this lesson?

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### Lesson materials

### Make sure you have

- downloaded the \*.pdf with this presentation
- saved the Zoom Chat



## How can you make more progress?

### **Complete the Progress activities online.**



### Review the language we have practised today.



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### What's next?





Remember to **download your certificate** when you finish the theme!

## After-class speaking session

# You can talk about any topic that interests you!

### Use these questions as a guide, if needed.

- Tell us about the size of your family. How often do you get together?
- What are some of the differences between the different generations in your family?
- What have you learnt from your grandparents?
- Do you think we have more or less opportunity for different generations to mix these days?
- FoHomp, will the tworld deal with an ageing population? support.englishonline@britishcouncil.org

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- Treat everyone with respect
- Keep your camera on and
- Let others share ideas to
- ✓ Listen to everyone
- Click 'Leave' if you cannot

### Don'ts

- Don't take pictures or rec
- Don't share personal deta
  - Don't let your children be onscreen

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What do you think?

Do you like the platform?

What did you think of the activities?

What further information do you need?

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Teacher's Notes

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