

Developments, changes and evolution

VOCABULARY

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Intermediate

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English

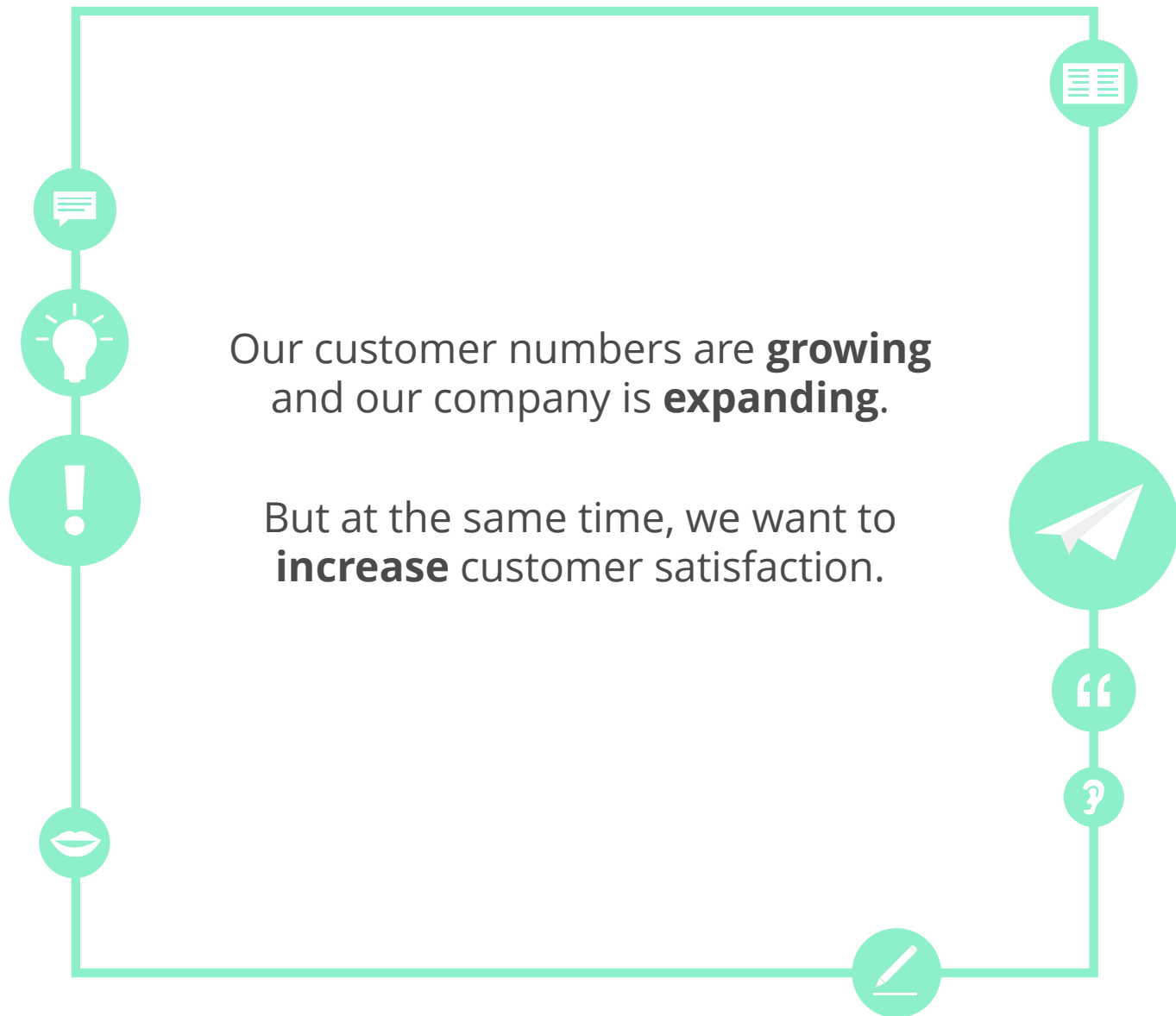




Goals

- Can correctly use simple vocabulary to describe developments and changes.
- Can identify and use vocabulary and phrases to do with evolution.







Preview and warm-up

In this lesson, you are going to learn words and phrases relating to **developments**, **changes** and **evolution**.



We **continue to** grow.



To get and to become

- We can use either the verb **to get** or **to become** + **adjective** to refer to a development or change.
- We can also use **to become** + **noun** and it has the same meaning.
- Look at these examples:

get/become + adjective	become + noun
The company became successful.	He became a senior manager.
We're becoming better learners.	They became project managers.
The boss is getting more confident.	I became a teacher.



- We cannot use **to get** + **noun** for the same meaning:
■ ~~He got a senior project manager.~~



New words

to increase

The number of workers is **increasing**.

to grow

The company's income **grew** by 25%.

to rise

Our employees' salaries are **rising**.

to go up

Consumer happiness **went up** last month.



New words

to decrease

Child labour **has decreased** in the past two decades.

to drop

Our prices always **drop** after Christmas.

to fall

The brand's popularity continues to **fall**.

to go down

Sadly, the quality of their customer service **went down**.



Fill in the gaps

**Fill in the gaps with the correct form of *to get* or *to become*.
Use the past simple form of the verbs.**

1. He _____ a millionaire after finishing that project.
2. They _____ angry with him because he failed.
3. Domestic companies _____ more successful this year.
4. This factory _____ a sweatshop.
5. The working conditions _____ better.



Complete the sentences

Complete the sentences by matching the two parts.

1. Wages went up

a) in African countries.

2. Interest in our new

b) 30 hours per week.

3. The employees' hours dropped to

c) thanks to foreign investments.

4. The rainfall is decreasing

d) products is rising.



Discuss

Answer the following questions as a group.



1

What is the temperature where you are?

2

How will the temperature change in the next week?

3

How has it changed in the past week?



New words

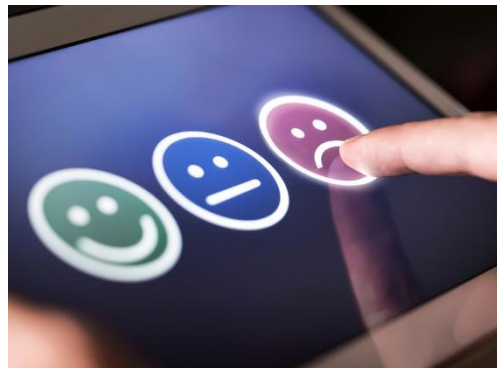
to improve

When something gets better in quality, it **improves**.



to worsen

When something goes down in quality, it **worsens**.



to remain the same

When there is no change, things **remain the same**.



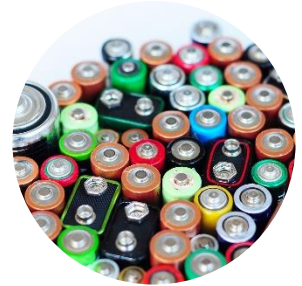


Example sentences



Production has **improved** a lot since we bought new machines.

Without the right materials, our products **worsen**.



Our products have **remained the same** in the past two years.



Form sentences using these words

Petrol prices

between 2010
and 2015.

increase

by 15%

Working
conditions

in the last
century.

South American
mines

improve



Standards of
living

remain the
same

in the future

in Western
Europe.



Find the opposites

Unscramble the words and find the opposites.

1. to seirneca

a) to og wdnó

2. to veripom

b) to lalf

3. to og pu

c) to rewsno

4. to seir

d) to edesreca



Discuss

Answer the following questions as a group.



What is something that has improved where you live recently?

What is something that is currently staying the same there?

What do you think will worsen there in the next five years?



New words

to expand

If something grows in size, number or importance, it **expands**.



to shrink

Something **shrinks** when it becomes smaller.



to continue to

If you **continue to** do something, it means you keep doing it.





New words

quickly

His speed increased
quickly.



slowly

The numbers went
down **slowly**, one by
one.



gradually

Our profits rose
gradually, a little bit
every year.





Sentence examples



The company has **expanded** to other continents **gradually**.

Our profit will **shrink quickly** without a new strategy.



The workers' income **continues to** grow **slowly**.



Choose the correct option

1. His earnings are slowly _____ for the first time since the economic crisis.

- a. continuing b. shrinking c. increasing d. expanding

2. Our popularity _____ grow thanks to our social media profiles.

- a. worsens to b. continues to c. improves to d. combined to

3. When something grows in size, number or importance, it _____.

- a. expands b. grows c. shrinks d. goes up

4. A similar word in meaning to slowly is _____.

- a. partially b. quickly c. rapidly d. gradually



Writing

Write sentences with the following words.

to expand

to continue to

to shrink

A spiral-bound notebook with lined pages. The pages are white with light blue horizontal ruling. There are faint circular icons on the pages, including a play button, a document, and a checkmark. The notebook is open, showing two pages.



Listening

Listen to your teacher reading a text. Fill in the gaps with the words in the boxes.

Globalisation has impacted the world in many different ways. The number of companies that are multinational companies has 1._____ and they 2._____ to 3. _____ quickly across the world. Profits in these companies are 4._____, namely because labour and manufacturing costs are 5._____. This is because it has become popular for companies to move to developing countries where work is cheaper. But, a darker side of globalisation is that this gap between developed and developing countries is 6._____ bigger. Although, living conditions in developing countries have gradually 7._____, working conditions in their factories or sweatshops have 8._____. More work needs to be done, so everyone can benefit from globalisation.

getting

improved

grown

continue

going down

rising

remained the same

expand



Read the text

Globalisation has impacted the world in many different ways. The number of companies that are multinational companies has grown and they continue to expand quickly across the world. Profits in these companies are rising, namely because labour and manufacturing costs are going down. This is because it has become popular for companies to move to developing countries where work is cheaper. But, a darker side of globalisation is that this gap between developed and developing countries is getting bigger. Although, living conditions in developing countries have gradually improved, working conditions in their factories or sweatshops have remained the same. More work needs to be done, so everyone can benefit from globalisation.





Speaking

Read the text again and answer the questions.



1. What is happening with multinational companies?

2. What is the darker side of globalisation?

3. What still needs to be done according the text? And why?



Discuss

Can you think of any other positive or negative impacts of globalisation? What do you think multinational companies should do to improve working conditions?



cheap travel

number of
products



environmental
pollution

bonuses



Game

Don't say the word

Give a description of the words below without saying the word.

Your teacher or classmates have to guess which word you have described.

1. to worsen
2. to shrink
3. gradually
4. to expand
5. to improve



Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

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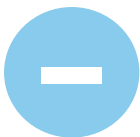
no





Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

p.14

1. to increase
 2. to improve
 3. to go up
 4. to rise
 - A) to go down
 - B) to fall
 - C) to worsen
 - D) to decrease
- Opposites: 1.D

p.9

1. C
2. D
3. B
4. A

p.8

1. became
2. got/became
3. got/became
4. became
5. got/became

2.C

3.A

4.B



Answer key

p.19

1. C 2. B 3. A 4. D

p.21

1. grown

2. continue

3. expand

4. rising

5. going down

6. getting

7. improved

8. remained the same

p.23

1. Grown in number. Expanded quickly. Profits rising.

2. Gap between developed and developing countries is getting bigger.

3. More work needs to be done so everyone can benefit from globalisation.



Transcription

Exercise, p.21

Globalisation has impacted the world in many different ways. The number of companies that are multinational companies has grown and they continue to expand quickly across the world. Profits in these companies are rising, namely because labour and manufacturing costs are going down. This is because it has become popular for companies to move to developing countries where work is cheaper. But, a darker side of globalisation is that this gap between developed and developing countries is getting bigger. Although, living conditions in developing countries have gradually improved, working conditions in their factories or sweatshops have remained the same. More work needs to be done, so everyone can benefit from globalisation.





Homework matching

1. Production efficiency

2. Our number of clients

3. We're expanding quickly

4. He will work on

a. has grown thanks to social media.

b. in Asia and Latin America.

c. Improving the quality of our products.

d. has increased last month.



Homework writing activity

Write an email to one of your old colleagues. She has left the company but would like to hear about it. Write about what has changed/improved/worsened or stayed the same. Write 5-7 sentences.

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To: fionam@mail.com

Subject: We are expanding

Dear Fiona,

I hope you are doing well. So many things have happened since you are gone.



Homework answer key

Exercise p. 32
1.D 2.A

3.B

4.C



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