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# 01 YOUR WORLD

## Language focus 1

### Questions and short answers

- 1 Put the words in the correct order to make questions.



1 London / first / your / to / Is / visit / this ?

Is this your first visit to London?

2 your / is / going / How / job ?

3 here / When / you / did / get ?

4 all / family / is / your / How ?

5 do / do / you / How ?

6 journey / you / here / a / good / Did / have ?

7 things / you / How / are / with ?

8 staying / you / are / Where / while / here / you / are ?

- 2 Complete the questions in the conversation with the correct form of *be*, *have* or *do*.

A: What <sup>1</sup> 's your girlfriend's name?

B: Masako.

A: <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that a Japanese name?

B: Yes, that's right.

A: Which part of Japan <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she come from?

B: Osaka.

A: Uh-huh ... so <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you speak Japanese?

B: No. 'Hello' and 'thank you', but that's it!

A: Oh, right. <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she doing that English course with you last month?

B: No, her English is much better than mine.

A: Well, how <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you meet her, then?

B: At the bus stop – she lives near me.

A: I see. <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she got her own flat here?

B: Well, it's her parents' flat.

A: Oh. <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ they living here, too?

B: Some of the time, yes.

- 3a Match questions 1–10 with short answers a–j below.

1 Do you like our new teacher?

2 Have you got the time?

3 Is it cold outside today?

4 Did you have a good holiday?

5 Was there a lot of traffic on the roads this morning?

6 Are your neighbours nice?

7 Were you at the football match on Saturday?

8 Has your brother got a girlfriend?

9 Does it take long to do this exercise?

10 Was the film good?

a Yes, they are.

b No, he hasn't.

c Yes, I did.

d Yes, I was.

e No, it wasn't.

f No, it isn't.

g Yes, I do.

h No, it doesn't.

i Yes, there was.

j No, I haven't.

- b 1.1 Listen to the questions and answers. Notice that the auxiliaries *do/does*, *has/have*, *is/are* and *was/were* are weak in the questions, but strong in the short answers.

/də/

A: Do you like our new teacher?

/du:/

B: Yes, I do.

- c Listen again and repeat the questions and answers, paying attention to the strong and weak sounds.

- 4 Look at the answers. Write the question for each one.

1 What's your full name ?

Mark Thomas Williams.

2 \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I do. I live with my family.

3 \_\_\_\_\_

They're looking at page 7.

4 \_\_\_\_\_

He lives in the centre of town, opposite the cinema.

5 \_\_\_\_\_

My holiday was great, thanks. We had lovely weather and food.

6 \_\_\_\_\_

I usually get up around 8 o'clock.

7 \_\_\_\_\_

No, she doesn't. My English teacher doesn't speak my language.

8 \_\_\_\_\_

I went to university in New York.

- 5 Find and correct the mistakes in questions 1–9.

1 How to pronounce 'b-u-s-i-n-e-s-s'?

How do you pronounce 'b-u-s-i-n-e-s-s'

2 Can you writing 'customer' on the board, please?

3 What's English word for this?

4 Which page we are on?

5 Have anybody got a spare pen?

6 Can you say again that, please?

7 What are tonight's homework?

8 How you spell 'journey'?

9 What means 'colleague'?

## Pronunciation

### Sentence stress in questions

- 6a Underline the stressed words in the questions and short answers below.

1 Where exactly do you live?

2 How do you spell your name?

3 Have you got any brothers and sisters?

4 No, I haven't.

5 Which one would you like?

6 Does your mother speak English?

7 Yes, actually she does.

8 How was your weekend?

9 What's your date of birth?

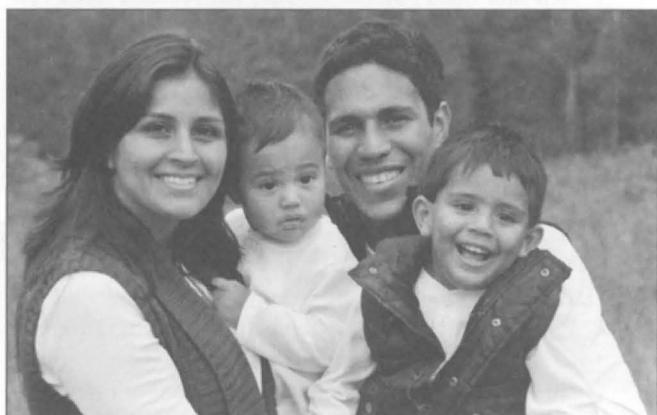
10 What time do you usually get up in the morning?

- b 1.2 Listen and check. Practise saying the questions.

## Vocabulary

### People around you

- 7 Add letters to complete the words.



1 n i e c e

2 p \_ r \_ \_ t

3 \_ \_ l \_ t \_ v \_

4 \_ t \_ a \_ g \_ \_

5 c \_ u \_ i \_

6 a \_ q \_ a \_ \_ t \_ n \_ \_

7 c \_ a \_ \_ m \_ t \_

8 \_ o \_ \_ e \_ g \_ e

9 s \_ e \_ m \_ t \_ e \_

10 n \_ i \_ h \_ \_ \_ r

## Language focus 2

### Present simple and Present continuous

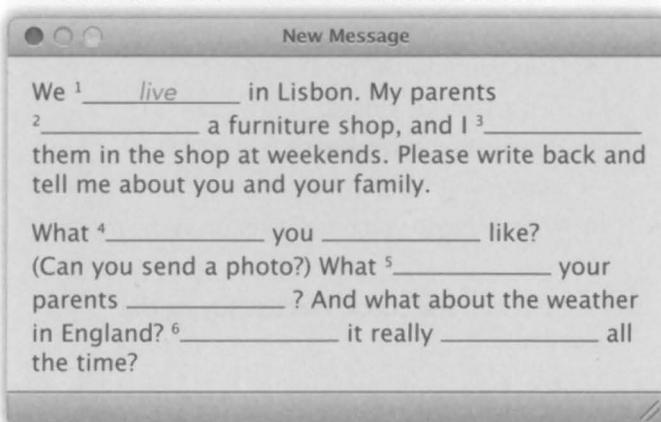
8a Read the three extracts A–C below. Which is from:

- 1 a detective story? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 an encyclopaedia? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 an email to a pen friend? \_\_\_\_\_

b Complete the extracts with the Present simple form of the verbs in the boxes.

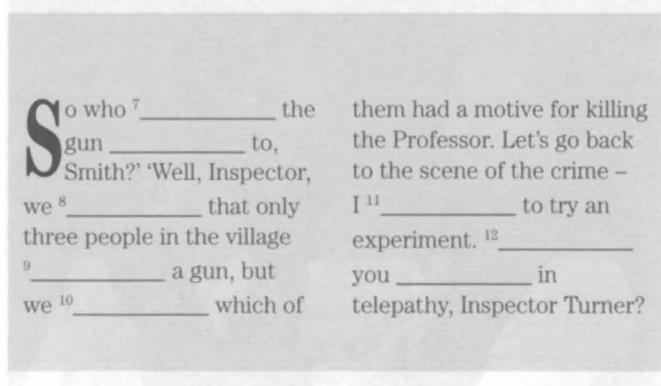
A

live do (x3) help look own rain



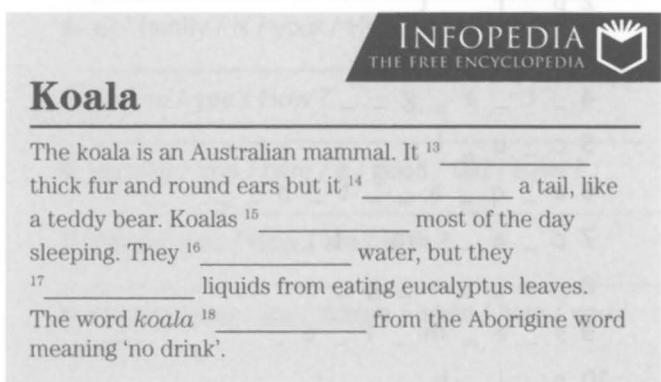
B

believe belong not know own want know



C

come get not drink have not have spend



9 Complete the sentences with the Present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

visit breathe clean die eat get (x2)  
have not get not set spend  
stay suffer talk use watch

'This is Sandra Wise with the news headlines: the president <sup>1</sup> the UK this week. He and his wife <sup>2</sup> at London's famous Savoy Hotel. Today he <sup>3</sup> a meeting with the British prime minister, and later in the week ...'  
'... later on Ten News Tonight: why we as a nation <sup>4</sup> fat. A nutrition expert says that our children <sup>5</sup> too much junk food and <sup>6</sup> enough exercise, and as parents we <sup>7</sup> a good example: we <sup>8</sup> more time than ever in the car or in front of the TV ...'  
'... and finally, <sup>9</sup> your health because of indoor pollution? <sup>10</sup> you <sup>11</sup> in dangerous chemicals while you sit at home watching this programme? According to a report by the Clean Air Society, this is a serious problem for millions of people. The president of the society even claims that people <sup>12</sup> because of the air they breathe in their own homes.'



A: Hi, Robin, it's Kris. <sup>12</sup> you the news on TV?

B: No, actually I <sup>13</sup> the kitchen! I <sup>14</sup> ready for Sammy's party tomorrow.

A: <sup>15</sup> you <sup>16</sup> a cleaner with chemicals in it?

B: Well, yes, I suppose. Kris, what <sup>16</sup> you about?

A: Oh, it's just that there was an item about indoor pollution, and ...

## 10 Complete the conversation with the Present simple or continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

A: How can I help you, Mr Daniels?

B: Well, I started having bad headaches a couple of weeks ago and they <sup>1</sup> 're getting (get) worse. I can't sleep, I'm tired all the time, and the worst thing is my hair <sup>2</sup> go grey and I'm only 31!

A: I see. Let me ask you some questions.

<sup>3</sup>                  (you smoke)?

B: No, I gave up a month ago.

A: Right. I see you're a salesman. How many hours a week <sup>4</sup>                  (you work)?

B: Well, I normally <sup>5</sup>                  (do) eight hours a day, but at the moment I <sup>6</sup>                  (work) at least ten hours and some Saturdays.

A: That is a lot. How <sup>7</sup>                  (you relax)?

B: Well, I usually <sup>8</sup>                  (sit) in front of the TV with a pizza and a few beers.

A: Hmm. <sup>9</sup>                  (you do) any exercise at the moment?

B: Not really, but I'm losing a lot of weight and I <sup>10</sup>                  (not know) why.

A: I think you <sup>11</sup>                  (suffer) from stress.

I <sup>12</sup>                  (want) you to eat a more varied diet and to do some exercise. Come back and see me in four weeks and I'll check you again.

## Listen and read Ordinary heroes

**11a** 1.3 A TV station is doing some research for a programme about ordinary people who are considered 'heroes' by people around them. Listen and read the emails and answer the questions.

Whose hero is:

1 a stranger? \_\_\_\_\_

2 a relative? \_\_\_\_\_

3 a colleague? \_\_\_\_\_

b Listen and read again and answer the questions.

Who:

1 is very brave? \_\_\_\_\_

2 nearly left her job? \_\_\_\_\_

3 nearly lost a lot of money? \_\_\_\_\_

4 was terrified of her boss? \_\_\_\_\_

5 is in a lot of pain? \_\_\_\_\_

6 told his boss what he thought of him? \_\_\_\_\_

7 is more generous than many adults? \_\_\_\_\_

8 wants to contact his/her hero? \_\_\_\_\_

New Message

My 'hero' at the moment is Ricky. We work together. I was thinking of leaving the place where I work because of our horrible new boss. He's always in a bad mood and he never has a good word to say to anyone. He also picks on young female members of staff: there's a girl called Kimberley who's terrified of him. Or at least she was. When Ricky joined us, everything changed. First he covered for me when I was late back from lunch by telling the boss that I was downstairs in the photocopying room.

Then a couple of days later, the boss was standing at Kimberley's desk, shouting at her, telling her she was lazy and would have to stay late to finish her work ... Anyway, Ricky marched straight up to him and told him he was a pathetic coward for talking to his staff like that. Well, the boss was stunned to silence - he just walked off without saying another word and he's left us alone since then.

Charlotte, Bristol

New Message

I'm writing to tell you about my niece, Mary. She's only seven and she's in hospital at the moment. She was in a bad car accident two weeks ago and she broke both her legs. She's had one operation and now she's waiting for another, then she'll have to be in a wheelchair for quite a while. Anyway, I am constantly amazed by this little girl's courage: she never cries when she has an injection, and very rarely complains about the considerable pain that she must be in.

When I go in to visit her, she always has a smile for me, and last time I went she was comforting another girl who was upset because her parents couldn't come and visit her. I've also noticed that she shares all the chocolates and toys that people have given her with the other children in her ward. I don't know how many adults would be as generous as that!

Dan, Newcastle

New Message

I'm hoping that by writing to you, I might be able to get in touch with my 'hero' again.

I don't know him - I don't even know his name - but what he did was unbelievably kind and honest. I went shopping at my local supermarket last Friday, and I met an old friend at the checkout desk. We chatted for a while, then I loaded up the car and came home.

It was only then that I realised I'd lost my purse: I thought maybe I'd dropped it in the car park. I started to panic when I also remembered that I had quite a lot of money in it. Then someone knocked at the door and it was a complete stranger, holding out my purse! He said he was in the queue behind me at the supermarket checkout and that's where he found my purse. He got my address from my driving licence. I was so grateful, but I didn't know what to say.

Anyway, he just walked off, and I haven't been able to thank him properly.

Annette, Leeds

## Vocabulary

### Everyday activities

- 12 Match questions 1–10 with answers a–j. Then complete the sentences with the words/phrases in the box.

go to the gym looking after children commuting  
playing video games texting  
going on social networking sites doing paperwork  
going shopping tidying up doing nothing

- 1 Have you lost weight? You look amazing!  c
- 2 Do you enjoy being a teacher?
- 3 I'm really nervous about the exam next week.
- 4 We have a cleaner who comes in once a week.
- 5 I haven't seen Luc and Sophie for weeks, have you?
- 6 What do you like doing at the weekend?
- 7 Why was your computer so expensive?
- 8 Are you happy you moved to the countryside?
- 9 Oh no, my phone bill is huge!
- 10 Are you looking forward to your holiday?

- a I wish we had someone like that. I hate \_\_\_\_\_!
- b Oh yes, it's much quieter here, but I do spend a lot of time \_\_\_\_\_ to work.
- c Thanks! I go to the gym three times a week.
- d I love \_\_\_\_\_ with my friends and buying new clothes.
- e Oh yes. Three weeks of lying on the beach and \_\_\_\_\_. I can't wait!
- f If you spend less time \_\_\_\_\_ and more time studying, I'm sure you'll be fine.
- g You shouldn't do so much \_\_\_\_\_. It's cheaper and you can say more by calling.
- h It needs to be powerful because I like \_\_\_\_\_ on it.
- i Well, I love being in the classroom but I don't like all the administration – I hate \_\_\_\_\_.
- j No, now that they're parents they spend most of their time \_\_\_\_\_.

## Writing

### An informal email

- 13a Read Grace's reply to an email from Katarina. In which paragraph does she do the following?

- a Write about her own news. 2  
b Respond to Katarina's news.     
c Respond to Katarina's request.



#### Re: A message from Katarina

Hi Katarina!

<sup>1</sup>What a lovely surprise to get your message! Of course I remember you – how could I forget? It was great to hear all your news. You look great in your photos, you haven't changed a bit. I loved looking at them and remembering all the times we had together. I'm pleased that you're happy in Bratislava, and Hendrik looks really nice, too. You must tell me all about him! Your job sounds really interesting, I always knew you would end up doing something exciting. I miss our time at university, too. It was such fun!

<sup>2</sup>As for my news, well, I'm also very busy these days. I'm still in Manchester and I'm working as an English teacher in a private language school. The job's stressful, but I really love it as I meet people from all over the world. I'm married now to a guy I met at work called Jack. We've got a little girl called Charlotte (but everyone calls her Charlie), who is lovely but a bit naughty at times! It's funny that you asked about Tom. He finished his studies, then decided he didn't want to be a lawyer and went travelling round the world! I think he's in Thailand at the moment, but we don't hear from him very often. As for my parents, mum retired a few years ago and dad retired last year, and now they spend a lot of time in the garden. They both seem very happy.

<sup>3</sup>It was great to hear that you're coming to Manchester next week. It would be fantastic to see you again, and I can't wait to meet Hendrik! I want you to meet Jack and Charlie too, and we can catch up on all our news. Let me know which days you are going to be here and we can plan something special.

Great to hear from you.  
Take care, and lots of love,

Grace

- b Write the phrases from the email that Grace uses to do the following.

- 1 respond to getting Katarina's message  
What a lovely surprise to get your message!
- 2 say that she remembers Katarina
- 3 respond to hearing Katarina's news
- 4 comment on Katarina's photos
- 5 ask about Hendrik
- 6 introduce her own news
- 7 introduce her news about Tom
- 8 introduce her news about her parents
- 9 say how she feels about seeing Katarina again
- 10 say how she felt about receiving Katarina's message

- c Look at the information below. You have received a message from an old friend, Dan. Write a reply using some of the phrases you have learnt from exercise 13b and tell him your news.



#### Dan's news

- He moved to New York after university.
- He got married to Maria, and has two children, Sam and Ben.
- He's working as a journalist for a large national newspaper as a business correspondent.
- He's very busy but loves his job.

#### Dan's request

- They're coming to your town for a week next month (alone).
- Can they stay with you?

## Language live

### Keeping a conversation going

- 14a Choose the correct answers to complete the conversations.

- 1 A: I'm working in advertising at the moment.  
B: ***Do you? / Are you?***
- 2 A: I don't get on very well with my brother.  
B: ***Don't you? / Do you?***
- 3 A: I've never seen the sea.  
B: ***Have you? / Haven't you?***
- 4 A: We once shared a flat together.  
B: ***Did you? / Were you?***
- 5 A: I'm thinking of going to Spain this year.  
B: ***Were you? / Are you?***
- 6 A: Our class was really interesting today.  
B: ***Was it? / Was she?***
- 7 A: Annika went skiing last month.  
B: ***Did she? / Was she?***
- 8 A: Dave and I both have the same surname.  
B: ***Do they? / Do you?***

b


- b Match phrases a–h below to conversations 1–8 in exercise 14a.

- a Why's that then?
- b That sounds interesting.
- c What a coincidence!
- d When was that?
- e That sounds fun.
- f That's amazing!
- g What did you do?
- h Where exactly?

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- c 1.4 Listen and check. Practise saying the questions using the same intonation.

# 02 MEMORY

## Language focus 1

### Past simple and Past continuous

- 1 Complete the conversations with the Past simple form of the verbs in the box.

not see    cook    forget    get (x2)    go    happen  
hear    introduce    rain    ring    stay  
not tell    not want



A A: Oh sorry, I <sup>1</sup> didn't see you there. <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
you \_\_\_\_\_ the bell?

B: No, I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to disturb you.

B A: <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ out last night?

B: No, actually we <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in and Gary <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a fantastic meal.

C A: <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ about Abby and Rob's disastrous holiday?

B: No, what <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ ?

A: Well, the weather was terrible – it <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ every day, and they both <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ food poisoning from the hotel food!

D A: Why <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ me about Marc's engagement? I <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ quite a shock when he <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ me to his fiancée.

B: Oh, I'm so sorry. I <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to tell you. She's nice, isn't she?

- 2 Complete the sentences with the Past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- I'm sorry I'm late, I was waiting (wait) for the babysitter.
- Who \_\_\_\_\_ (you talk) to on the phone just now?
- Sorry, I \_\_\_\_\_ (not concentrate) – can you explain that again, please?
- A: I saw Lee in the jewellery store on Saturday.  
B: Oh! What \_\_\_\_\_ (he do)?  
A: Well, he \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a diamond ring!
- A: How do you work this thing again?  
B: No idea! I \_\_\_\_\_ (not listen) when he explained it to us.
- A: Why wasn't Mia at work yesterday?  
B: I think she \_\_\_\_\_ (move) house.
- I saw Renée with her new boyfriend yesterday. They \_\_\_\_\_ (have) an argument.
- Sorry, \_\_\_\_\_ (we make) a lot of noise?  
We \_\_\_\_\_ (put) up some shelves.

- 3 Choose a phrase from each box to make a complete answer for questions 1–6 below.

I was peeling some onions and  
She was travelling home from work and she  
We were sunbathing at the weekend and we  
They were staying in Florida when  
He was walking in the rain and he  
He was playing football and he

got very wet.  
stayed out too long.  
the knife slipped.  
left it on the bus.  
fell over.  
there was a terrible storm.

- How did you cut your finger?  
I was peeling some onions and the knife slipped.
- How did Tony hurt his knee?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How did you all get so sunburnt?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How did Martin catch a cold?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How did a tree fall on the Simpson's car?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How did Sarah lose her bag?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4** Complete the conversations with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

A A: I phoned you last night at 8 p.m. but you didn't answer. What <sup>1</sup> were you doing (you do)?

B: I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) on my computer and I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not hear) the phone ring.

B A: Good morning, ICI. May I help you?

B: Hello, yes. I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to the financial director a minute ago and the line <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) dead.

A: Oh, I'm sorry, madam. I'll reconnect you.

C A: When did you meet your husband?

B: When I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) in Canada four years ago.

A: Were you on holiday?

B: No, I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (train) to be a ski instructor, but I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (break) my leg. I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) eight weeks in hospital and he was my doctor!

**5** Use the prompts to make two conversations about accidents.

A A: Penny told me you / have / accident yesterday. What / happen?

<sup>1</sup> Penny told me you had an accident yesterday.  
What happened?

B: We / drive / home and another car / stop / suddenly and we / crash / into the back of it.

<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

A: Be / the other car all right?

<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

B: Yes, luckily we / not go / very fast.

<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

B A: What / you / do to your hand?

<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

B: I / burn / it.

<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

A: Oh no, how?

B: I / iron / a shirt, and the phone / ring, and I / put / the iron down on my hand by mistake!

<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

## Pronunciation

### Past simple -ed endings

**6a** How many syllables do these -ed forms have? Mark the stressed syllables • and the unstressed syllables ◊.

1 happened	2	8 changed	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 stopped	3	9 practised	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 travelled	4	10 opened	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 looked	5	11 improved	<input type="checkbox"/>
5 reminded	6	12 received	<input type="checkbox"/>
6 visited	7	13 repeated	<input type="checkbox"/>
7 phoned	8	14 answered	<input type="checkbox"/>

b 2.1 Listen to the verbs in phrases and repeat them.

## Vocabulary

### Childhood and upbringing

**7** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words/phrases in the box.

ashamed strict tell off give confidence  
encourage pocket money get into trouble  
argue respect punish praise

- 1 I once stole my sister's toy and my parents found out. I felt really ashamed.
- 2 Children today don't argue their parents enough, I think. They're often rude to them.
- 3 When I was younger, my parents always strict me to do well at school.
- 4 My parents never gave me any pocket money. I had to earn my own money.
- 5 I once tell off for not doing my homework. My parents punish me by not letting me go out with my friends.
- 6 Whenever I did well at school, my parents praise me a lot, which give confidence me a lot of confidence.
- 7 If I argue with my brother, my parents would get into trouble us.
- 8 My parents were very strict. I wasn't allowed to see my friends in the week and I had to go to bed at 8 p.m.

## Language focus 2

### *used to and would*

- 8 Cross out any unnecessary words in the sentences below. Where necessary, replace the main verb with the auxiliary *do*.

- 1 I used to have long hair but I don't have long hair anymore.
- 2 My friends and I didn't use to go to the gym every week, but now we go to the gym every week.
- 3 My boyfriend used to be a terrible cook, but he isn't a terrible cook any more.
- 4 There used to be a lot of traffic in my city, and there still is a lot of traffic.
- 5 I didn't use to know how to send text messages, but now I know how to send text messages.
- 6 When I was younger, I would spend a lot of time reading, but now I don't spend a lot of time reading.
- 7 I didn't use to like spiders and I still don't like spiders!
- 8 My family didn't use to go overseas for our holidays, but now we go overseas for our holidays.
- 9 I used to be very shy but I'm not shy any longer.
- 10 In my old job, I would often stay in the office late, but now I don't stay in the office late.



- 9a Look at the pictures and notes about Virginia's life ten years ago and now. Write eight sentences about how her life has changed, using *used to* and *didn't use to*.

1 She used to live in England.

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

7 \_\_\_\_\_

8 \_\_\_\_\_

- b Now write eight sentences using *still* and *not ... anymore / any longer*.

1 She still wears fashionable clothes.

2 She doesn't live in England anymore.

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

7 \_\_\_\_\_

8 \_\_\_\_\_



## Listen and read

### I used to believe

- 10a** 2.2 Listen and read the extracts from a website where people write about their childhood beliefs. Which stories are shown in pictures A–D?

A



B



C



D



- b Match extracts 1–10 with the topics below.

time

language

animals

transport

countries

politics

drink

food

teachers

kitchen appliances

## I used to believe

1 'I used to believe that countries really had their names written across them and that when you reached a border there would be red dotted lines on the ground.'

2 'I used to think that the trails that aeroplanes leave across the sky are created by the pilots leaning out of the windows holding a piece of chalk, so they know where they've been. That's what I was told, anyway.'

3 'I used to have problems when I was trying to learn how to read a real clock. My theory was that if an hour is longer than a minute, then the long hand was the hour and the short hand was for minutes. I was always late coming home ... or really early.'

4 'I remember I used to be very scared of swallowing seeds when I was small. Once when I swallowed a lemon pip, I refused to open my mouth in the morning because I thought that the branches of the lemon tree that had grown in the night would come out.'

5 'When I was about six or seven years old, I used to believe that a little penguin lived in my refrigerator and his job was to turn the interior light on and off. I used to sit and open the fridge repeatedly, trying to catch him doing it.'

6 'For some reason, I used to think that there was a big red button in the middle of the president's desk, and if he pressed it the whole world would explode. I also thought that it wasn't very well guarded, and I always worried that he would accidentally lean on it.'

7 'One time when I was about to pour a drink from a bottle of diet coke, my sister said "You know, diet coke turns you into a skeleton if you're not fat." I was terrified. Unfortunately for me, her lie worked and I didn't drink any diet drinks until I was in my teens.'

8 'When I was a child, I couldn't understand how a radio made in Japan could play songs in Spanish and English. If they are made in Japan, they should just be able to play Japanese songs.'

9 'During my first few years at school, I kept hearing that "teachers have eyes in the back of their heads" so I thought that when someone became a teacher, they had to have an operation to get an extra set of eyes! I also wondered why a lot of lady teachers had long hair. What's the point of having eyes in the back of your head if you keep covering them up?'

10 'I used to believe (and still do actually!) that animals could watch TV and understand what they were seeing. I had a rabbit that just sat near the screen, staring at it while the show was on, but would look away or do something else when the ads came on. Now my two dogs act in the same way – they sit with me and watch TV, but then start to yawn and stretch during the ads – except dog food commercials, of course!'

## Vocabulary

### Remembering and forgetting

#### 11 Choose the correct words in the sentences below.

- 1 Did you remember **to pay** / **paying** the phone bill last month?
- 2 The smell of old buildings always reminds me **to** / **of** my school days.
- 3 As soon as she heard his voice, she recognised **to him** / **him** immediately.
- 4 The course was so boring that they forgot **about** / **that** what they'd learnt very quickly.
- 5 Can you remind me **phone** / **to phone** Mr Fielding tomorrow morning?
- 6 Listen to this song. Do you recognise **it** / **about it**?
- 7 I'll never forget **meeting** / **to meet** my wife for the first time. It was so romantic.
- 8 As soon as he saw his boss, he realised he'd forgotten **to give** / **giving** her the message.
- 9 Do you remember **to get** / **when we got** lost in Prague? We realised we'd been walking in a circle for two hours!
- 10 Can you remind Chris **about** / **to** the message I left him? I think he's forgotten.

#### 12a Complete the questions with *remember*, *remind*, *forget* or *recognise*.

- 1 When you argue with a friend, do you forget about it quickly and stay friends?
- 2 Do you find it easy to            people's names?
- 3 When did you last            someone's birthday?
- 4 Is it easy to            your handwriting?
- 5 Do you            people of anyone in your family?
- 6 How often do you            your keys?
- 7 Can you            your first day at school?
- 8 Do you usually            famous people when you see them on TV?
- 9 Do you            meeting your best friend for the first time?
- 10 What sort of things do people have to            you to do?

#### b 2.3 Listen and check. Then answer the questions about yourself.

## Writing

### A story

#### 13a Complete the extract from Jenny's letter with *when* and *while*.

... and then on Thursday, I took a new client out to lunch at that French restaurant in the centre of town. What a disaster! Everything was fine at first - we got a nice table, but <sup>1</sup> when they started playing music, we found we were next to the speakers. We changed tables and ordered our meal.

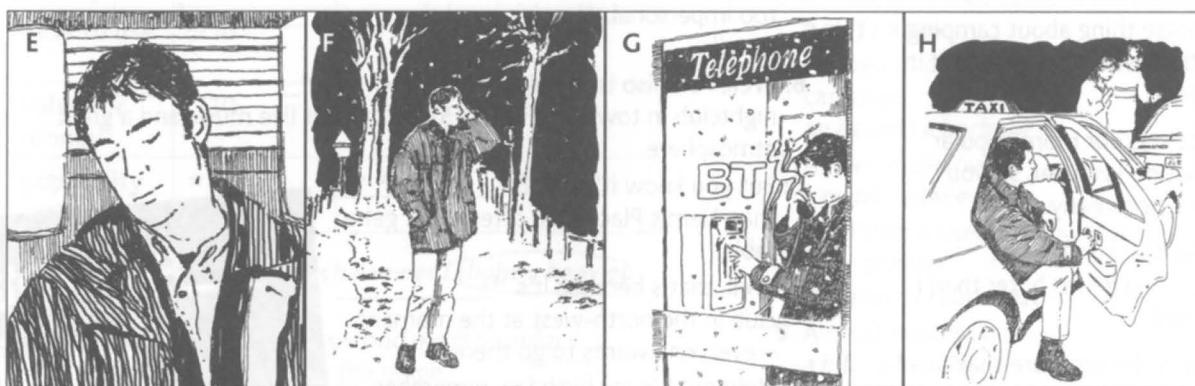
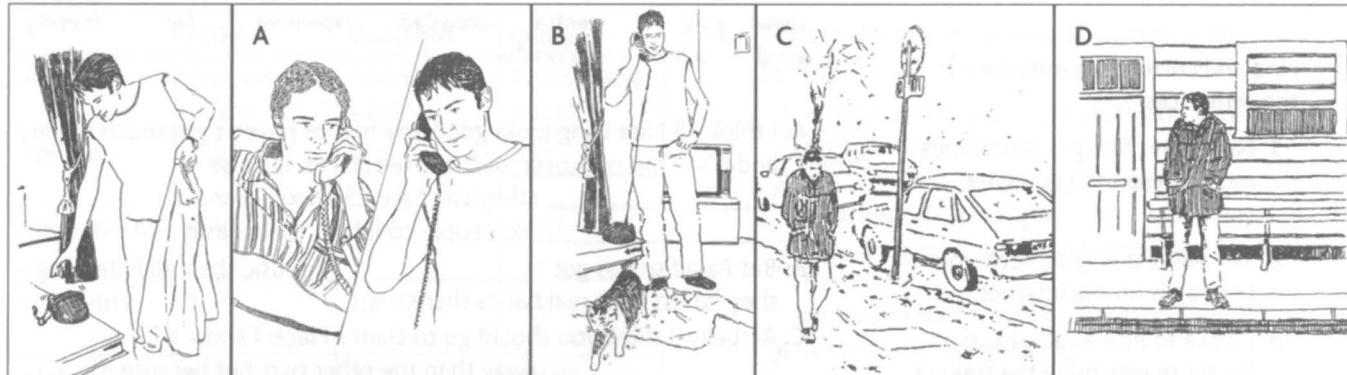
<sup>2</sup>            we were waiting for the waiter to bring the wine (he took half an hour), I could see my client wasn't happy. To make it worse, <sup>3</sup>            he poured the wine, he spilt it all over my client's suit.

She said, 'Don't worry', but I could see she was very angry, so <sup>4</sup>            we were having the first course, the atmosphere was quite tense. Then, <sup>5</sup>            we were waiting for the main course, the couple on the next table started having a loud argument!

The worst thing was <sup>6</sup>            the bill came, I realised I'd left my credit card at home. I felt really embarrassed and in the end she had to pay. And that wasn't all - I said goodbye to her and went to the car park. But <sup>7</sup>            I arrived there, I found that someone had stolen my car <sup>8</sup>            we were in the restaurant!

- b Use the pictures and prompts to write the story. Use the Past simple and continuous and *when* or *while*. Remember to use *and* and *so* to join parts of a sentence.

Alan is talking about his weekend. On Saturday he went to his friend Kyra's party. Another friend, Guy, offered to take him to the party in his car.



1 Picture A: I / get dressed / Guy / phone – say / he / be / ill – I / decide / go by train  
*I was getting dressed when Guy phoned and said he was ill, so I decided to go by train.*

2 Picture B: Unfortunately / I / talk to Guy on phone / cat / walk over my shirt – I / have to / iron another one

3 Picture C: I / walk / station start / snowing – I / get / cold

4 Picture D: train / delayed because / snowing – it / finally arrive / I / be / frozen

5 Picture E: I / fall asleep / sit / on the train – miss / station

6 Picture F: I / get off / next station – decide / walk / Kyra's house. I / reach / end of road / I / realise / I / be / lost

7 Picture G: I / not have / my mobile – I / look for / phone box / call / taxi

8 Picture H: I / arrive / Kyra's house / it / be / nearly midnight – people / go / home

c 2.4 Listen and compare the story with your version.

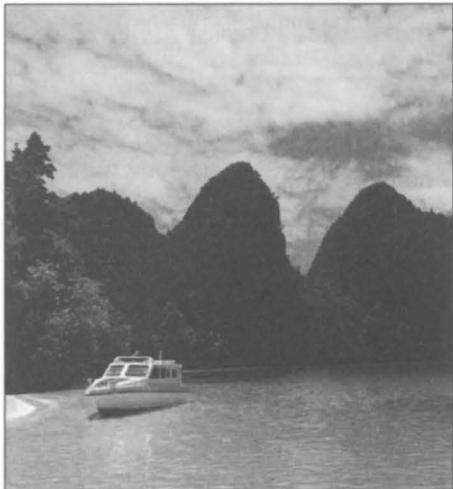
# 03 ACROSS THE GLOBE

## Language focus 1

### Comparatives and superlatives

#### 1 Find and correct the mistakes in the sentences.

- 1 Nowadays flying is sometimes **more cheap** than going by train. **cheaper**
- 2 The easiest way to book your holiday is on the internet.
- 3 I'd like to hire a car – I know it's more expensive the train or bus, but it's more convenient.
- 4 The worse thing about camping is all the insects that you find in your tent!
- 5 Phuket was our more popular destination last year, so you need to book early.
- 6 We went to London last August, and it was hoter than I expected.
- 7 It says in the brochure that New Zealand has the cleanest beaches of the world.
- 8 Most places are busy during the school holidays than at other times of the year.
- 9 We always go to the same place – I want to go somewhere more far away this year.
- 10 I think we should go to Indonesia in March – that's when you get best deals.



- 2 Some friends are planning to celebrate a birthday at a nightclub. Complete the conversation with the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in the box.

cheap big central crowded expensive far friendly  
good quiet successful

A: I think All Nite Long looks good: my friends haven't got much money and it's <sup>1</sup> **the cheapest** of the three places. It's also <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_; they can take 250 people, and it's <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, so people could get there easily.

B: But Paradiso has got <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ music than All Nite Long – they haven't got real bands there.

C: Actually, I think you should go to Liam's Place: I know it's <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ away than the other two, but because it's small, it's got a <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ atmosphere: the big clubs are too impersonal. Also, it's much <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ if people want to talk.

B: Well, Paradiso isn't noisy at all. I know it's <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ nightclub in town, but for €15 you can get live music and a great atmosphere.

C: But you know it's much <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ than Liam's Place: you often can't get a table.

B: Well, that's because it's <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ club in the north-west at the moment – everyone wants to go there.

A: Hold on! It's *my* birthday, remember, and I want ...

**PARADISO**  
INTRODUCES  
**DANCE TO 'LOS GITANOS'**  
€15 ENTRANCE  
MAXIMUM 150 PEOPLE  
DRESS: NO JEANS PLEASE  
ONLY 10 MINUTES FROM THE CENTRE

**LIAM'S PLACE**  
PRESENTS  
**SMOKEY JOE'S JAZZ BAND**  
MAXIMUM 75 PEOPLE  
€10 ENTRANCE  
DRESS: JACKET & TIE  
ONLY 15 MINS FROM THE STATION

**DJ MAX**  
plays your favourite rock and pop  
€8 entrance in the city centre  
maximum 250 people

- 3** Look at the information from a review of digital cameras and choose the correct words in the sentences below.

	F104	Coolshot	Quikpix
<b>size</b>	8cm x 6cm x 2cm	10cm x 7cm x 2cm	12cm x 9cm x 2cm
<b>weight</b>	85g	90g	95g
<b>appearance</b>	9/10	3/10	7/10
<b>reliability</b>	3/10	10/10	9/10
<b>picture quality</b>	5/10	9/10	10/10
<b>easy to use</b>	8/10	10/10	10/10
<b>value for money</b>	2/10	5/10	10/10
<b>popularity rating</b>	★	★★	★★★

- 1 The Coolshot is ***much heavier / slightly heavier*** than the F104.
- 2 The Coolshot is ***the second most popular / the most popular*** in the range.
- 3 The F104 is ***far better looking / slightly better looking*** than the Coolshot.
- 4 The F104 is ***the most reliable / the least reliable*** of the three.
- 5 The Quikpix is ***the easiest / one of the easiest*** digital cameras to use.
- 6 The Coolshot is ***a little bit lighter / a lot lighter*** than the Quikpix.
- 7 The Quikpix is ***slightly bigger / a lot bigger*** than the F104.
- 8 The Quikpix has got ***much better / slightly better*** picture quality than the F104.
- 9 The Coolshot is ***a lot more reliable / a little more reliable*** than the Quikpix.
- 10 The Quikpix is ***the second best / by far the best*** value for money on the market.

## Vocabulary

### Features and sights

- 4** Choose the correct answer to complete the definitions.

- 1 A place where goods are loaded on and off ships.  
***(docks) / a bay***
- 2 A place where Muslims go to pray.  
***a cathedral / a mosque***
- 3 A building or statue to celebrate people who have died.  
***a monument / ancient ruins***
- 4 A very, very tall building.  
***a skyscraper / a village***
- 5 A natural formed curve in the coastline.  
***a cliff / a bay***
- 6 An area of deep water near the land where ships can stop.  
***an island / a harbour***
- 7 A man-made river.  
***a canal / a lake***
- 8 Land that is used to grow plants for food and raise animals.  
***farmland / rainforest***
- 9 A small mountain.  
***a hill / a beach***
- 10 A place where products are made in large quantities, often using machines.  
***a skyscraper / a factory***
- 11 The remains of a very old building or buildings.  
***ancient ruins / a museum***
- 12 A structure built over a river or road that people can cross over.  
***a factory / a bridge***
- 13 A special occasion when people celebrate something.  
***a museum / a festival***
- 14 A grand building where a king or queen lives.  
***a cathedral / a palace***
- 15 A place where a river falls down over a rock.  
***a canal / a waterfall***



## Listen and read

### Unusual holidays

5a 3.1 Listen and read the holiday adverts and answer the questions.

1 In which holiday do you stay ...

a underground?

The Legendary Ghan Opal Safari

b under the water?

c on a boat?

d in ice?

2 Which two holidays involve diving?

3 Which two holidays use a lot of technology?

b Listen and read again and answer the questions.

1 How many different types of transport are mentioned in the six holidays?

2 Which are only at certain times of the year?

3 Why are the houses underground in Coober Pedy?

4 What can you see from the plane on the 'Final Frontier' holiday?

5 Do you know your route in advance on the 'Storm Chasing' holiday?

6 How can you relax on the 'Wilderness Husky Adventures'?

7 On which holiday can you get married?

8 Do you need to be able to dive to go on the 'White Shark Heaven' holiday?



#### The Final Frontier: 3,400 kph

Journey to the edge of space in a Russian Foxbat jetfighter. Arrive in Moscow and spend a day training and preparing for the flight. Then travel at more than twice the speed of sound, to over 24,000 metres above the Earth. Join those few free spirits that have already experienced this journey to the edge of space. At about 32 kilometres above the ground, the curvature of the Earth comes dramatically into view.

In the cockpit of a Russian MiG-25 military fighter plane you're aboard the fastest combat aircraft in the world.

**Limited dates.**

**Contact us direct for details and cost.**



#### Wilderness Husky Adventure

Head up to Lapland and experience the thrill of a husky sledding expedition. Drive your own team of huskies and stay overnight in a traditional wooden lodge, where you can relax and enjoy a traditional sauna. Drive a snowmobile, and with luck see the famous northern lights (aurora borealis), a wonderful natural display of green, red and purple lights in the sky. Finish your trip by staying in the Icehotel – a hotel made completely of ice! This is a really unforgettable and unique short break.

**December to April.**

**Three nights for \$2,300.**

#### The Legendary Ghan Opal Safari

This is an extraordinary five-day journey from Adelaide on the south coast to Alice Springs, with an overnight tour to Coober Pedy, where 70 percent of the world's opals are mined. The Ghan is one of Australia's most luxurious trains: you will be travelling across a hostile landscape of desert, salt lakes, mountains and hot springs, but in true comfort whether you travel first class or not.

At Coober Pedy, the temperatures are so extreme (up to 50°C during the day and 0°C at night) that all the houses are built underground as well as the mines. You stay at the Desert Cave Hotel, where the rooms have been cut out of the rock.

**Tours are throughout the year and cost \$952.**

**Storm Chasing**

Witness spectacular explosive thunderstorms, lightning and tornadoes. Come with us as we follow the storm and get as close as we can, to give you the most exciting experience. Our vans are equipped with the latest storm-chasing technology, like our Weather Radar System, In-Motion Satellite Tracking System, and Lightning Display System that shows storms and lightning up to 500 kilometres away. We travel as far as necessary to see the tornadoes: the chase could take you anywhere in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas or Eastern Colorado.

**May and June only.**

**Six days for \$2,400.**

**Luxury Under Water**

Jules' Undersea Lodge in Key Largo, Florida was originally built as La Chalupa mobile undersea laboratory, the largest and most technically advanced in the world. The Lodge has been completely remodelled to provide guests with luxury living space for up to six people. The interior has two living chambers, with bedrooms and dining and entertainment facilities.

Earn an Aquanaut certificate while enjoying unlimited diving for certified divers, a gourmet dinner prepared by a 'mer-chef', and a gourmet breakfast. If desired, guests may spend several days underwater without surfacing. You can even have your underwater wedding here.

**All year round. From \$325 per night.**

**White Shark Heaven, Mexico**

The world's ultimate shark dive and fishing adventure is closer than you think. For divers, non-divers and tuna fishermen, discover Isla Guadalupe, one of the world's most exciting new Great White dive sites. Your cage dive and world-class tuna fishing expedition takes you on a five-day live-aboard adventure to the newly discovered and beautiful Isla Guadalupe site off the coast of Mexico. You will have the opportunity to dive by day with Great White Sharks and fish for huge tuna in the hunting grounds of Great Whites and Mako sharks.

**Seven-Day Live-Aboard Expeditions:**

**October to November from \$2,380.**

**Language focus 2****Different ways of comparing****6 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.**

from as (x2) completely different less  
more similar slightly the to

**UK and Australia: the same or different?**

- Australia's climate is different from the UK's.
- Australian coins look similar to British coins.
- A lot of wild animals in Australia are completely different from the wild animals that you find in England.
- Supermarkets in Australia are exactly the same as supermarkets in the UK.
- The cost of living in Sydney is very similar to the cost of living in London.
- Houses in the British countryside look very similar from houses in the Australian countryside.
- Australian TV programmes are similar or completely the same as British TV programmes.
- Australian road signs are completely different from road signs in the UK.
- Daily life in Australia is about similar same as daily life in the UK.

**7 Complete the sentences using the words in bold.**

- A meal in the Four Seasons restaurant costs £15. A meal in the Pizza Parlour costs £11.  
A meal in the Pizza Parlour costs less than a meal in the Four Seasons restaurant. **less**
- The Manor Hotel is €100 a night. The Park Hotel is €150.  
The Manor Hotel isn't expensive.
- Savewell supermarket has 2,000 customers a day. Pricerite supermarket has 1,500.  
Savewell supermarket has more **more**
- There are three trains an hour in the afternoon. There are five trains an hour in the morning.  
There are fewer **fewer**
- The furniture in my sister's flat is more or less the same as Tim's.  
The furniture in my sister's flat is similar **similar**
- The Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao is made mostly of metal. The Guggenheim Museum in New York looks like a concrete multi-storey car park.  
The Guggenheim Museum in New York is different **different**
- Phil's flat has four rooms and a balcony. My flat's got four rooms and a balcony, too.  
My flat's is the same **same**

## Pronunciation

### Stress and /ə/ sounds in comparative phrases

**8a** 3.2 Listen to the sentences and underline the stress in the phrases in bold.

/ə/      /ə/      /ə/

- 1 My city is a **lot** bigger than it was 20 years ago.
- 2 Peru is the **third largest** country in South America.
- 3 Australian English is **similar to** British English.
- 4 The shops here are **not as good as** in my country.
- 5 There were **fewer** cars here in the past.
- 6 My language is very **different from** English.

**b** Listen again and mark the /ə/ sounds. Practise saying the sentences.

## Vocabulary

### Adjectives for describing places

**9** Use the clues to complete the grid.



- 1 quiet and calm
- 2 important in history
- 3 popular with tourists
- 4 makes you think about love or adventure
- 5 full of people, buildings, etc.
- 6 people who don't have much money
- 7 the buildings are painted with bright colours
- 8 dangerously dirty (to describe air and water)
- 9 not cheap
- 10 not clean
- 11 popular with artists, musicians, etc.
- 12 not safe

**10** Look at the adjectives in the box. Are they positive or negative? Complete the table below.

dangerous	friendly	cosmopolitan	modern
colourful	spectacular	crowded	poor
touristy	peaceful	polluted	smart
expensive	romantic	dirty	lively

Positive	Negative
friendly	dangerous

## Language live

### Travel problems

**11a** Put the words in the correct order to make indirect questions.

1 bus / you / goes / Central Park / Do / to / know / the / when?

Do you know when the bus goes to Central Park?

2 train / Could / arrives / time / the / you / me / what / tell ?

3 will / cost / Do / how / know / you / it / much ?

4 know / to / Do / change / where / you / have / I ?

5 Paris / platform / which / Could / me / goes / the / to / tell / you / train / from ?

6 bus / Do / which / know / you / is / this ?

7 is / Do / know / you / next / the / when / one ?

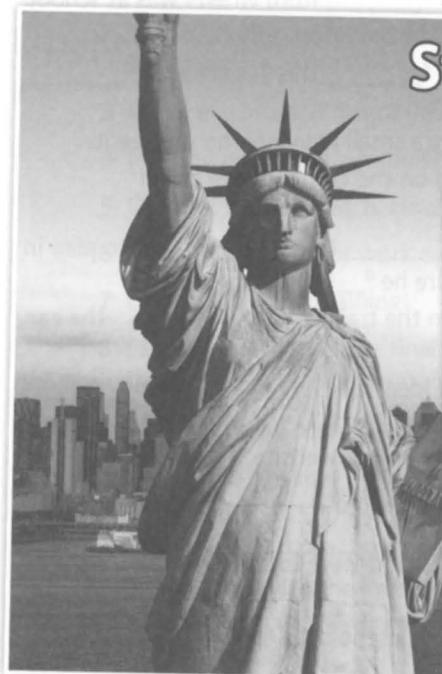
8 get / you / me / Could / airport / the / tell / to / how / I ?

**b** 3.3 Listen and check. Practise saying the questions.

## Writing Postcards

- 12a** Read the postcard from New York and add the words in the box in the correct place. What types of words are usually left out?

The (x2) there are my is (x2) We're (x2) We'll be We



### Statue of Liberty New York

Dear Pete and Sarah,  
We're ^ having a great time here in the Big Apple.  
Weather brilliant – hot and sunny.  
Spent most of today shopping – fantastic department stores here: credit card's not looking too healthy!  
Hoping to do some sightseeing tomorrow – Fifth Avenue, Times Square, etc. Nightlife also incredible ... nobody seems to go to bed!  
Back in a couple of weeks,  
love Sue and Joe  
xxxx



Mr and Mrs Hall,

3 Park Grove,

Leicester,

England.

- b** Read the postcard from Pisa and circle the words which can be left out.



Dear Sam and Julie,

(We) arrived here a couple of days ago – the hotel is small but comfortable, but the food is not great. We're going on a tour of the whole city tomorrow, then we're planning to try some typical pasta dishes for dinner. We hope your family are all well, we'll see you in September.

Love Mark and Tim



Sam and Julie Foster,

School Cottage,

Broadwood,

Gloucester,

England.

# 04 REAL LIVES

## Language focus 1 Present perfect and Past simple

- 1a Circle the irregular verbs in the 'snake' and write the past participles below. The last letter of one verb is the first letter of the next.

drank know we are read drink keep put tear ring get tell end drive eat teach hit throw in

- 1 broken      10 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 known      11 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_      12 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_      13 \_\_\_\_\_  
5 \_\_\_\_\_      14 \_\_\_\_\_  
6 \_\_\_\_\_      15 \_\_\_\_\_  
7 \_\_\_\_\_      16 \_\_\_\_\_  
8 \_\_\_\_\_      17 \_\_\_\_\_  
9 \_\_\_\_\_      18 \_\_\_\_\_

- b Complete the conversations with the Present perfect form of the verbs in exercise 1a.

- 1 A: You've got a lot of books. <sup>1</sup> Have you read them all?  
B: No! A lot of them are books I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ from when I was at school.  
A: Oh – I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ out all my old books from school.  
2 A: Oh, no! This is the first time I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ this T-shirt and I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it already.  
B: Let's have a look. Oh, it's only a small hole; no one will see it.  
3 A: Mum! Ben <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ his head on the corner of the table!  
He's crying!  
B: Jonathan! How many times <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you not to play in here? OK, don't worry, I'm sure he <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ any bones!  
4 A: Sorry, I can't pick you up from the train station. I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the car to Alex.  
B: Are you sure that was a good idea? She <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ never <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ an automatic before!  
5 A: Look – I <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ your photo on our website.  
B: That's great! How long <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ how to build websites?  
6 A: Who <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ all the biscuits that were in this tin?  
B: I don't know, Mum.  
A: Hmm, and someone <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ all the cola, too.  
B: Maybe it was a burglar!

- 2 Read the interview with Zoe, a singer in a pop group, and choose the correct words.

**Interviewer:** Well, it's nearly the end of December and your single <sup>1</sup> was / has been number 1 all month. You must be very pleased.

**Zoe:** Oh yes, of course. <sup>2</sup> it was / it's been an incredible year for us – we <sup>3</sup> already had / 've already had two number 1 songs this year and we <sup>4</sup> did / 've done a tour of the UK.

**Interviewer:** OK, tell us how it all <sup>5</sup> started / has started.

**Zoe:** We only <sup>6</sup> formed / have formed the group in January, and since then we <sup>7</sup> spent / 've spent almost every day together. At first, we only <sup>8</sup> played / have played other people's songs and we <sup>9</sup> didn't start / haven't started writing our own songs until we <sup>10</sup> found / 've found our manager, Brian.

**Interviewer:** Uh huh ... so when <sup>11</sup> was / 's been your first big concert?

**Zoe:** Well, that was two months ago, and around the same time Brian <sup>12</sup> got / 's got us a recording contract.

**Interviewer:** Yes, and your album <sup>13</sup> went / 's gone to number 3 in the charts the week it was released. So, what's next?

**Zoe:** Well, we're working on some new songs and we <sup>14</sup> just agreed / 've just agreed to do a US tour.

**Interviewer:** Great! Well, we all wish you the best of luck and thank you for coming on the programme.

**3** Find and correct the six mistakes in sentences 1–10 below.

Did you see

- 1 Have you seen the news last night?
- 2 Carrie's a really close friend – we knew each other for ages.
- 3 Hello, er ... sorry, I forgot your name.
- 4 Jeff's never broken a promise before.
- 5 Oh, that's a nice watch. How long did you have it?
- 6 My boss was late for work every day last month.
- 7 Look! It's stopped raining!
- 8 I see your team's in the final. Did they ever win the cup?
- 9 We didn't play tennis together since the summer.
- 10 I can't find my keys – has anyone seen them?

**4a** Complete the extract from an article called *Famous Mums and Dads* with the Present perfect simple or Past simple form of the verbs in brackets.



famous  
**mums**  
and **dads**

It <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ (be) my birthday yesterday: I'm 14 years old. Some people say I'm lucky but I don't think so. Imagine, in my life I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to eight different schools and I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (never stay) anywhere long enough to make a best friend.

We <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in so many different houses that I can't remember some of them. In fact, last year we <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (move) house three times. It's true, there are some good things.

I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) some really famous people and we <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) some great holidays – I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Disneyland at least four times, but never with mum and dad.

When I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) young, I always <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a nanny, and she <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (take) me on holiday. I'm staying with my aunt and uncle at the moment because my dad's making a film in France and my mum <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Los Angeles.

**5a** Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1 ten / film / ago / The / started / minutes

The film started ten minutes ago.

- 2 to / Stefano / Did / yesterday / class / come ?

- 3 unit / done / far / I've / the / so / exercises / all / this / in

- 4 brother / the / years / seen / only / her / in / She's / twice / ten / last

- 5 English / 2010 / started / in / learning / I

- 6 2005 / here / He's / since / lived

- 7 young / favourite / was / were / you / your / game / What / was / when ?

**b**  4.2 Listen and check. Practise saying the sentences.

## Pronunciation

### Linking in time phrases

**6a**  4.3 Listen and tick the sentence with the linking you hear.

- 1 a I've been looking for a flat for about a month. ✓

b I've been looking for a flat for about a month.

- 2 a They've played ten games since August.

b They've played ten games since August.

- 3 a She's only been here for a couple of minutes.

b She's only been here for a couple of minutes.

- 4 a I've been writing this report since eleven o'clock.

b I've been writing this report since eleven o'clock.

- 5 a I've been living in Canada since I was eight.

b I've been living in Canada since I was eight.

- 6 a He went to Brazil a couple of months ago.

b He went to Brazil a couple of months ago.

**b** Listen again and check your answers. Practise saying the sentences.

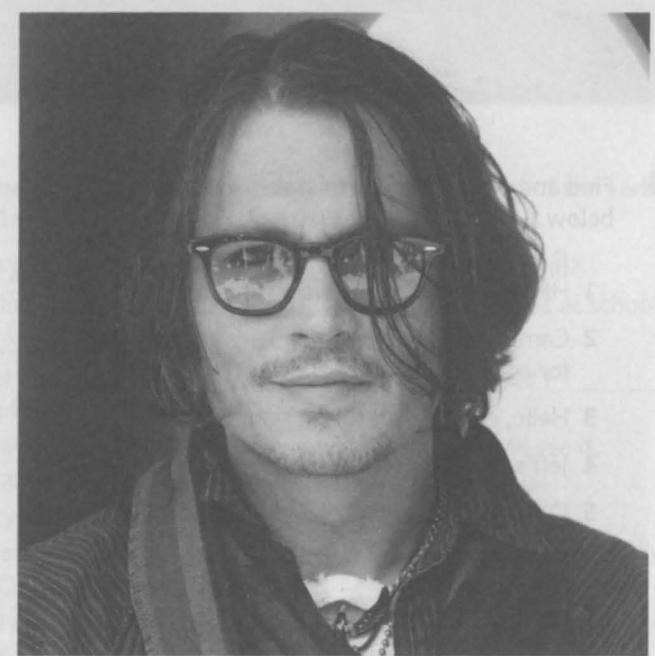
**b**  4.1 Listen and check.

## Listen and read

### Johnny Depp

7a 4.4 Listen and read the biography of film star Johnny Depp and put the life events in the correct order.

- a He became a teen idol.
- b He directed a film.
- c had two children
- d He had a job selling pens over the phone.
- e He met an actor who persuaded him to try acting.
- f He played a part in a horror film.
- g He played the guitar in a band.
- h He was voted one of the 'beautiful people'.  1



#### Johnny Depp

Born: June 9, 1963

Where: Owensboro, Kentucky

Rare among American actors, Depp has made a name for himself, effortlessly switching between mainstream Hollywood movies and more 'out of the ordinary' projects. Talking about his choice of roles, he once said: 'With any part you play, there is a certain amount of yourself in it. There has to be, otherwise it's not acting. It's lying.'

Highlights of a richly diverse career include *Edward Scissorhands*, *Sleepy Hollow* and *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

Depp dropped out of school at 16 to concentrate on a career in music, playing the guitar (he played with more than 20 bands). However, his musical career failed to take off, and he found himself selling pens over the phone to pay the bills. His lucky break came when make-up artist Lori Allison, to whom he was briefly married, introduced him to Nicolas Cage. Although at first they did not like each other, they later became good friends and Cage persuaded him to try acting. Depp signed on with Cage's agent, and made his feature film debut in Wes Craven's horror film *Nightmare on Elm Street*, in which the character he played was eaten by his bed. After that, he had his first screen leading role in *Private Resort*.

Depp went on to achieve teen idol status in the TV series *21 Jump Street*, but after four seasons, he wanted out, with the hope of making the transition to the big screen.

He starred in *Cry-Baby*, followed by Tim Burton's *Edward Scissorhands*, after which he went on to win considerable critical acclaim in *Ed Wood*, a reunion with Burton. Depp made his feature directorial debut with *The Brave* in 1997, a film he also co-wrote and starred in. Premiering at the Cannes Film Festival, the film also featured Marlon Brando, but earned mostly negative reviews, with most critics blaming its weak script. *Sleepy Hollow* teamed him with director Burton yet again, before he starred in Ted Demme's *Blow*, and appeared in the thriller *From Hell*, about Jack the Ripper.

Off screen, his good looks and 'bad boy' image (he was once arrested for attacking intrusive paparazzi with a wooden plank) have earned him a lot of media attention. He was voted one of the 50 most beautiful people in the world by *People* magazine in 1996. He has also had his fair share of celebrity romances. When his engagement to *Edward Scissorhands* co-star Winona Ryder ended, he had a tattoo (one of about 13), which said 'Winona Forever', altered by laser to get rid of the last two letters of her name. His relationship with model Kate Moss also ended abruptly in 1998, when he started dating French singer-actress Vanessa Paradis. They now have two children, Lily-Rose Melody and Jack.

More recent work has included *Pirates of the Caribbean* with Geoffrey Rush, *Once Upon a Time in Mexico*, *Alice and Wonderland* and *Dark Shadows*.

**b Listen and read again and answer the questions.**

1 Why is Johnny Depp a 'rare' actor?

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2 What does he describe as 'lying'?

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3 Why did he get a job selling pens over the phone?

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4 Why has Nicholas Cage been important in his career?

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5 What was strange about his first film role?

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6 Who was he popular with in *21 Jump Street*?

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7 What was his involvement in *The Brave*?

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8 Which film director has he made many films with?

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9 Has he still got the tattoo of Winona Ryder's name?

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10 Who was his co-star in *Pirates of the Caribbean*?

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**Vocabulary****Life events**

**8 Complete the phrases in the article with the correct form of the verbs in the box.**

make	move	go	graduate	get (x4)
leave (x2)	pass	bring	fall	change
retire	buy	lose		

### From Bottom of the Class to Businesswoman of the Year

At the age of 60, Tessa Daley, director of Newsgroup Publishing, has it all: she has become so successful that she seems to be on TV or in the papers every week, and she has<sup>1</sup> made more money than most of us could dream of. But this is the woman who failed all her exams and<sup>2</sup>   school with no qualifications.

'I hated school and couldn't wait to get away and start work. I<sup>3</sup>   a job at a local newsagent's. I loved working there because I could read all the magazines, but unfortunately I<sup>4</sup>   my job two weeks later – for reading magazines and forgetting to serve the customers!'

One of the customers was Simon, a good-looking journalist, who she<sup>5</sup>   in love with. They<sup>6</sup>   engaged six weeks after they first met, then got married at the end of that year. Tessa devoted the next 16 years of her life to being a wife and<sup>7</sup>   up her children. Simon<sup>8</sup>   jobs a lot during those years, and the family<sup>9</sup>   house several times. The disruption had a disastrous effect on the marriage and they<sup>10</sup>   divorced when the oldest child was 15.

'For a long time there was a big gap in my life and I didn't know what to do. My daughter persuaded me to<sup>11</sup>   home, and<sup>12</sup>   to university to do media studies.' Tessa worked hard and<sup>13</sup>   her exams with the best grades in her year. 'The day I<sup>14</sup>   from university was the proudest day of my life.'

Her life has been on the up and up since then. Since joining Newsgroup publishing she has<sup>15</sup>   promotion after promotion, gradually working her way to the top. She has just<sup>16</sup>   a new house and launched a new magazine and is busier than ever: she has no plans to<sup>17</sup>   yet!

## Language focus 2

### Present perfect simple and Present perfect continuous

- 9 Complete the sentences with the Present perfect continuous form of the verbs in the box.

read cry go phone look not work rain study talk use

- 1 You 've been reading that book for ages – haven't you finished it yet?
- 2 My brother \_\_\_\_\_ a lot recently about moving to Canada, but I don't know if he will.
- 3 We \_\_\_\_\_ the same recipe for our famous 'Chocolotti' biscuits for the last 50 years, and it's still a secret.
- 4 Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ to evening classes since the summer, but he still can't say 'What's your name?' in Russian!
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ Kerry \_\_\_\_\_? Do you know what's wrong?
- 6 I \_\_\_\_\_ here very long – do you know where the stationery cupboard is?
- 7 Excuse me, Marcia, a reporter from *Vanity Fair* \_\_\_\_\_ all morning – could you speak to her now?
- 8 How long \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_? I haven't got an umbrella with me.
- 9 We \_\_\_\_\_ for a flat for a month now, but we can't find anywhere we both like.
- 10 Selim \_\_\_\_\_ for his exam so much recently, I hope he does well.

- 10 Complete the sentences with the words in brackets and *for* or *since*.

- 1 Jo's had toothache for three days. (three days)
- 2 Frankie hasn't been to the dentist \_\_\_\_\_. (six months)
- 3 I've been studying history \_\_\_\_\_. (a year)
- 4 Jane's been feeling sick \_\_\_\_\_. (last night)
- 5 Pete's been on a diet \_\_\_\_\_. (two weeks)
- 6 I haven't done any exercise \_\_\_\_\_. (months)
- 7 I've been doing aerobics \_\_\_\_\_. (this time last year)
- 8 She hasn't been feeling well \_\_\_\_\_. (her operation)
- 9 They haven't been to the cinema \_\_\_\_\_. (ages)
- 10 We've been married \_\_\_\_\_. (1997)

- 11 Choose the correct answers.

- 1 I've been knowing / 've known Susan for about five years.
- 2 Mum had to take Tim to the dentist because he's been breaking / 's broken his tooth.
- 3 My husband's been having / 's had his mobile phone for a week and it's already broken.
- 4 I hope Karen rings soon because Rick's been waiting / 's waited by the phone for hours.
- 5 We've been going / 've gone to the new sports centre since June. Why don't you come and try it?
- 6 Giuseppina's English is getting much better. She's been practising / 's practised a lot recently.
- 7 You look much slimmer. Have you been dieting / dieted?
- 8 John's boss has been deciding / has decided to have a holiday next month.
- 9 Goodbye and thanks. We've really been enjoying / 've really enjoyed this evening.

- 12 Use the prompts to make sentences. Use the Present perfect simple or Present perfect continuous and *for* or *since*.

- 1 I / not see / Jeremy / 2010.  
I haven't seen Jeremy since 2010.
- 2 Katalin / write / novels / she retired.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Sue and Jenny / know / each other / years.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Finally! We / wait / for you / two hours!  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The band / play / over 100 gigs / they formed.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Wolf / work / really hard / he got promoted.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 I / be / a member of the party / 20 years.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Gina / live / with her parents / a while to save money.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9 She / training for the marathon / July.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 I / ski / I was a child.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**13** Match the words in the boxes with the descriptions of the people 1–12.

creative talented obsessive courageous  
charming determined

- 1 Well done, you're really good at thinking of new ideas.  
creative
- 2 I thought it was really brave of you to bring up that issue in the meeting.
- 3 Emma never stops talking about her cats. She thinks about them too much, I think.
- 4 Jamie always gets what he wants – he knows how to make people feel good about themselves.
- 5 As long as we give it 100 percent, nothing can stop us!
- 6 I've never found it difficult to play the guitar, I think I was born able to do it.

original ruthless dedicated self-confident  
inspiring egotistical

- 7 Priscilla always seems to be sure that she'll succeed. And she usually does.
- 8 Fabio loves telling people how great he is. It's like he's the only person in the world.
- 9 I really admire how hard Ben works, especially since he doesn't earn much money.
- 10 Have you heard Flyjam's music? I've never heard anything like it before.
- 11 Even though she knew many people would lose their jobs, Fran still decided to cut the budget.
- 12 I loved your speech. It really made me excited about what I could do.

## Vocabulary

### Personal qualities

**14** Use the clues to complete the grid.



- 1 good at using your imagination to make new things
- 2 brave, without fear
- 3 completely new and different from anyone else
- 4 nothing can stop you
- 5 you have a special quality that makes people like you
- 6 thinking or worrying about something all the time.
- 7 determined and firm when making difficult decisions
- 8 when you make other people feel excited about doing something
- 9 sure that you can do things well
- 10 when you work hard at what you do because you care about it
- 11 having a natural ability to do something well

# 05

# GO FOR IT!

CONTINUOUS

## Vocabulary

### Word families

- 1 Complete the sentences with a noun, verb or adjective from the pairs of words in the box.

success/succeed      imaginative/imagination  
fail/failure      profitable/profit      distractions/distract  
productive/produce      knowledgeable/knowledge  
improve/improvement

- 1 The advertising campaign was a great success: sales figures are looking very good.
- 2 It's a nice idea, but I don't see us being able to benefit from it. Do you really think it will make us much money?
- 3 I much prefer working at home. There are fewer distractions and I find it easier to focus.
- 4 I'm afraid that if we don't see any improvement in your work, we're going to have to let you go.
- 5 Jon's ideas for the website are practical, but they're not very imaginative – I'd like to try a more creative designer.
- 6 Ask Sophie about that. She's very knowledgeable in that area.
- 7 Despite all our hard work, this project has been a complete failure.
- 8 We need to produce twice as much as last year if we are going to meet demand.

## Pronunciation

### Word stress in word families

- 2a 5.1 Listen to the words below and write the number of syllables next to each word.

- 1 succeed
- 2 experience
- 3 productive
- 4 profitable
- 5 distraction
- 6 imagination
- 7 failure
- 8 imagine
- 9 experienced
- 10 improvement
- 11 knowledgeable
- 12 know

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- b Listen again and underline the stressed syllables. Practise saying the words.

## Language focus 1

### Future forms

- 3 Complete the conversations with the correct form of *going to* and a suitable verb where necessary.

- A: It's my 18th birthday in June.  
B: Are you going to have a party?  
A: I haven't decided yet.

- A: My brother's just heard that he's lost his job.  
B: Oh, no! What are you going to do?  
A: I think he's planning to travel for a while.

- A: Are you really going to give up chocolate?  
B: Yes, I'm going to stop. I bought lots of fresh fruit instead.

- A: Have you got any plans for the weekend?  
B: Well, David and I are going to see a film on Sunday night.  
A: Oh, which one?

- A: Are you nervous about making a speech at the wedding?  
B: Yes, but I haven't got about it anymore.  
A: No – thinking about it will only make you more nervous.



- A: Lisa's really in love with Alain, isn't she?  
B: Is he going to marry him?  
A: I hope so. He'd be the perfect husband for her.

- A: I heard that the council have bought that land behind the cinema to build on.  
B: Oh, really? What are they going to do there?  
A: A new shopping mall, I think.

- A: Are you and Annie going to have a holiday this year?  
B: No, we aren't going to afford. We haven't got any money.

**4** Look at the diaries and use the prompts to complete the conversations.

A

10:30–12:00 English lecture  
12:30 Daniella – lunch  
2:00 squash  
3:00–5:00 tutorial Prof. Wiles

B

Tuesday 8th  
9:00 Mrs Phillips  
10:00 Mr Long  
11:00 S Kennedy  
12:00 Ms Barnes  
1:00  
2:00  
3:00 afternoon off  
4:00  
5:00

C

9:00  
10:00  
11:00  
12:00 { meet Carol Harris – new marketing manager }  
1:00 lunch – Gary Parsons  
2:00  
3:00 { visit factory }  
4:00

### Diary A

A: Hi Josh. Can we meet some time today to talk about the English assignment?

B: Well, I'm quite busy. I / go / to a lecture this morning and I / meet / Daniella for lunch.

<sup>1</sup> I'm going to a lecture this morning and I'm meeting Daniella for lunch.

A: What / you / do in the afternoon?

<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
B: Well, I / play / squash until three o'clock, then I've got a tutorial.

<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
you / do / anything in the evening? I'm free then.  
<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

A: OK. That's great. See you this evening, then.

### Diary B

A: Hello, Dr Haines' surgery.

B: Yes, hello. Could I see the dentist today? I've got a terrible toothache.

A: Well, he / see / patients all morning.

<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
B: Um ... what about the afternoon?  
A: No, I'm afraid he / have / the afternoon off.  
Actually, he could fit you in at one o'clock.  
<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

B: Oh, thank you very much.

### Diary C

A: Yes, Mr Riley?

B: Ah, Celia, what time / I / have / lunch with Gary Parsons?

<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
A: One o'clock.  
B: Well, could you call him and make it a bit later?

A: That's not really possible.  
You / leave / at two to visit the factory in Stanmore.  
<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

B: Oh yes, of course.

**5** Complete the sentences with *will* or *won't* and a verb in the box.

be-ready    be    get    like    need    pass  
send        take

- 1 I need these shoes on Saturday. Will they be ready (they) by then?
- 2 We \_\_\_\_\_ to order the flowers at least two weeks before the wedding.
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (you) late tonight?
- 4 I don't think you should buy Mum those gloves, she \_\_\_\_\_ them.
- 5 So, the exam's in June. When \_\_\_\_\_ (they) us the results?
- 6 Don't forget to take a sweater. I expect it \_\_\_\_\_ cold later.
- 7 Stop worrying about the exam – you \_\_\_\_\_ easily.
- 8 Why do you want to leave so early?  
It \_\_\_\_\_ very long to get there.

**6** Use the prompts to make sentences.

1 A: I'm going to spend the summer in Turkey.

B: Really? Where / you / planning / stay ?

Really? Where are you planning to stay?

2 A: What time are your grandparents coming?

B: They / due / arrive / at about six.

3 A: I hear you've bought a new house.

B: Yes, we / hoping / move / next month.

4 A: Jeannie looks a bit worried.

B: I know, she / about / take / her driving test.

5 A: What are you going to do with the money you won in the lottery?

B: Well, I / thinking / buy / a new car.

6 A: Isn't it a bit late in the day to visit your parents?

B: I / intending / spend / night there.

## Vocabulary Work

**7** Choose the correct answer to replace the definition in bold.

1 Anna has **passed a lot of examinations** but she doesn't have any practical experience.

a good communication skills

b a lot of qualifications

c responsibility

2 Scott didn't get the security guard job – they said he wasn't **strong and healthy**.

a physically fit

b secure

c creative

3 The job sounds interesting, but I don't want to **start very early and finish late**.

a travel

b be good with money/numbers

c work long hours

4 I left the company because the work was boring and **they didn't pay much**.

a badly paid

b well-paid

c stressful

5 You're so **good at producing new or interesting ideas** – have you ever thought of going into advertising?

a competitive

b well-organised

c creative

6 My parents want me to be a teacher because it's a **job which I'm not likely to lose**.

a competitive

b a secure job

c challenging

7 I thought I would have a **chance to visit different places** with a job in journalism, but I was wrong.

a a secure job

b opportunities to travel

c special training

8 Wouldn't you like to do something more **difficult in an interesting or enjoyable way** than working in a café?

a badly paid

b stressful

c challenging

9 The problem with my boss is he has no **ability to say what he wants to clearly**.

a communication skills

b qualifications

c responsibility

10 Your job sounds **as if it makes you worry a lot**.

a stressful

b secure

c well-paid

## 8 Choose the best alternatives.

- 1 Keira wants the promotion, but she doesn't really want the **responsibility / communication skills**.
- 2 You're very **well-paid / good with numbers**. Have you ever thought about becoming an accountant?
- 3 I'd like to become a fashion designer, but it's very **creative / competitive**.
- 4 Paul runs his business well because he's **well-organised / secure**.
- 5 Do you need **special training / responsibility** to become an English teacher?
- 6 My job's difficult at times, but it's also interesting and **badly paid / well-paid**.
- 7 I used to be a manager, but I didn't like working **long hours / responsibility**.
- 8 He didn't get the job interview because he didn't have the right **responsibility / qualifications**.

## Language focus 2

### Future clauses with *if, when, unless, etc.*

#### 9 Match a question from A with an answer from B. Then complete the answers with the correct form of a verb from the box.

finish    be    start    get    send    receive

##### A

- a What time do you think you'll be home?
- b Can you phone your sister tonight?
- c When can I expect to get the results?
- d Have you finished that report I asked you to write?
- e Is Paulo coming to the party?
- f What are you going to do after you finish university?

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##### B

- 1 He'll try to come if he \_\_\_\_\_ free.
- 2 Not yet. I can't do it until Lucia \_\_\_\_\_ me the statistics I need.
- 3 OK, I'll call her as soon as I \_\_\_\_\_ home.
- 4 I'll be on the six o'clock train unless the meeting \_\_\_\_\_ late.
- 5 I'm not sure yet, but I'd like to travel a bit before I \_\_\_\_\_ work.
- 6 I don't know exactly – we'll post them to you when we \_\_\_\_\_ them.

#### 10 Complete the sentences, using the words in bold.

- 1 You'll be in Madrid again. Phone me then.  
**when**  
Phone me \_\_\_\_\_ when you're in Madrid again.
- 2 It's going to get dark soon. Let's stop now.  
**before**  
Let's stop \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 You probably won't get the job. The only way you will is if you can offer something extra.  
**unless**  
You won't \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 That film will come out soon. I'd like to see it then.  
**as soon as**  
I'd like \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The taxi'll come in a few minutes. I'll wait with you.  
**until**  
I'll wait \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 You could take the 9 a.m. flight. Then you'll be here by lunchtime.  
**if**  
You'll \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Come out of the station. You'll see the bus stop on your right.  
**when**  
You'll \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 I'll get home later. The first thing I want to do is go to bed.  
**as soon as**  
I want \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 You may want to go somewhere else. If not, I'll book a table at the Wharf Bistro.  
**unless**  
I'll \_\_\_\_\_



## Listen and read

### Unusual lifestyles

11a 5.2 Four people are talking about their lifestyles. Listen and read the texts. What are their jobs?

1 Gemma is a/an \_\_\_\_\_

2 Raoul is a/an \_\_\_\_\_

3 Frank is a/an \_\_\_\_\_

4 Megan a/an \_\_\_\_\_



#### Gemma

'I absolutely love music and listen to it all the time, even when I go jogging. Of course I have to look after my voice. I do exercises for three hours every day and I take lots of vitamin C. If I get a sore throat, I go straight to bed

and rest. I usually try to get at least eight hours sleep a night anyway. ... As for my job – you really can't be shy in this kind of work, and you have to be very patient because sometimes we practise for hours before we get it right. When we're on tour, we work for several weeks with no breaks and you can get really tired. For relaxation, whenever I get a holiday, I go straight to a sunny beach, but the thing I enjoy the most is the great feeling you get from a live audience.'

#### Raoul

'Well, my work's really quite stressful. Most people think you spend your day chopping vegetables and stirring soup, but it's not that simple. You have to be really careful with the food and keep everything very clean. The big problem is my boss – he shouts at me all the time – even, for example, if I forget to wash up one plate. I just can't do anything right sometimes.'

Actually, I'm hoping to find a new job soon because I don't get much time off. I'd like to have more weekends free, to see friends and to spend more time with my two little boys. You know it's strange spending all day with food – when I go home I just want to eat a sandwich or a bag of chips and I'm terribly critical when I eat in a restaurant.'



#### Frank

'Well, I first got interested because I loved doing them so much myself – I used to do at least one every day. I suppose I've got the right kind of mind really – I enjoy playing around with puzzles, especially word puzzles. So I sent a couple in

to a local newspaper and was really surprised when they asked me for more. I suppose it is a strange way to spend your day – surrounded by dictionaries and books, but it's great that I can organise my own time, so I try to finish by two and then I can take my dog for a walk. It's very satisfying though – I love the feeling after I've thought of the final clue, and it all fits together. It's also really nice when people write to me and thank me. Funny really, because I'm just doing what I like.'

#### Megan

People sometimes ask me if I forget which country I'm in or what time of day it is, but I guess I've got used to it. Last week I was in London and tomorrow I'm going to Hong Kong.

I'm based in Bahrain, and I have a small apartment there, although I sometimes don't spend more than seven or eight days a month there. The thing I like most about my job is the contact with the people from different cultures. The idea that it's a glamorous job is a bit of a cliché – you spend a lot of your time handing out food and drinks and clearing up people's rubbish. I certainly don't feel very glamorous at two in the morning! Actually, there are a lot of things that we're trained to do that people don't realise – like fight fires, deliver babies, survive in the desert or ocean.



b Listen and read the texts again. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Gemma has to keep fit.  T
- 2 The most tiring part of Gemma's job is when she's on tour.
- 3 Gemma hates performing live.
- 4 Raoul's boss is quite easy going.
- 5 Raoul works a lot at weekends.
- 6 Raoul doesn't spend much time cooking at home.
- 7 Frank started writing crossword puzzles for a newspaper.
- 8 Frank uses a lot of reference material for his job.
- 9 Frank has to work long hours.
- 10 Megan spends more time in Bahrain than overseas.
- 11 Megan thinks her job is glamorous.
- 12 Megan's training was quite varied.

## Writing

### A letter of reference

**12a** When Louisa Barry applied for a job through *Horizons Unlimited*, she asked two people to write her a letter of reference. Look at the two letters, A and B. Which is:

- 1 an employment reference? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 a character reference? \_\_\_\_\_

**A**

20 April 2011

To whom it may concern,

I confirm that Louisa Barry has been <sup>1</sup> employed as a personal assistant with this organisation for the last three years, and is <sup>2</sup> \$35,000 per annum. The job of personal assistant carries the following <sup>3</sup> responsibilities: dealing with all correspondence and telephone calls, organising meetings, conferences and business trips, preparing presentations and reports. Louisa has excellent computer <sup>4</sup> skills and a very good telephone manner. Her knowledge of French was a real <sup>5</sup> asset when dealing with our Paris office. She is also extremely reliable and hard working. I would certainly re-employ Louisa as I consider her to have been a valuable member of the company, who consistently <sup>6</sup> achieved good results.

Yours faithfully,

Jason Holmes

Jason Holmes

**B**

15 April 2011

To whom it may concern,

I <sup>1</sup> have known Louisa Barry for six years. We first met when she attended a Spanish course that I was teaching, and she has <sup>2</sup> become a family friend.

<sup>3</sup> Louisa is a student of Spanish, Louisa excelled: she took every opportunity to practise in the classroom, and learnt quickly from her mistakes. She has an extensive Spanish vocabulary, and her pronunciation is very good. As a friend of the family, Louisa has always been kind and thoughtful: she has helped me patiently with computer problems on <sup>4</sup> occasions, and has offered to look after my three children when their nanny was not available. If you require any <sup>5</sup> information, please do not <sup>6</sup> hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

M. Cortes

b Complete the letters with the words in the box.

..... employed    achieved    As    asset    confirm  
..... further    hesitate    numerous    paid  
..... responsibilities    since    skills

c Write a character reference for someone you know.

## Language live

### Making a formal telephone call

**13a** You are phoning Mrs Leeson, at Henderson Insurance. Complete the conversation.

A: Good afternoon, Henderson Insurance, Pam speaking. How can I help?

B: Good afternoon, I'd like <sup>1</sup> to speak to Mrs Leeson, please.

A: Just a moment, I'll put you through.

C: Hello, Mrs Leeson's office, Sandy <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

B: Hello, <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs Leeson, please?

C: I'll just see if she's <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Can I ask who's <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

B: Jo Spinelli.

C: One moment, please. Hello, I'm afraid she's not in the office at the moment.

B: OK. Could you ask her <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

C: Certainly. Could I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

B: Yes, it's 4442 123 451.

C: Right, I'll get her to call you back as soon as she comes in.

B: <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

C: Goodbye.

b 5.3 Listen and check.

# 06 TRUE STORIES

## Language focus 1 Past perfect

### 1 Complete the sentences with the Past perfect form of the verbs in the box.

finish do forget have leave make meet sell  
travel won

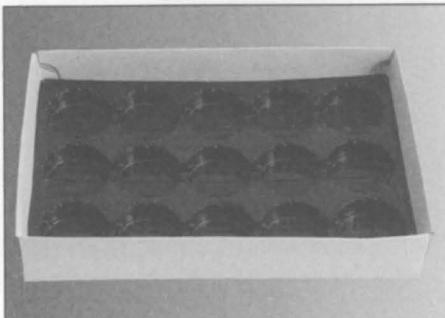
- 1 He asked why I hadn't finished the reports.
- 2 There was no coffee because Mark \_\_\_\_\_ to buy any.
- 3 Glenn knew he \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of mistakes in his English exam.
- 4 I phoned about the car for sale but the owner \_\_\_\_\_ already \_\_\_\_\_ it.
- 5 The children were very hungry because they \_\_\_\_\_ any breakfast.
- 6 I was certain I \_\_\_\_\_ the keys on my desk, but they weren't there.
- 7 Diana was sure she \_\_\_\_\_ Tony before.
- 8 The children \_\_\_\_\_ by plane before so they were very excited.
- 9 Mrs Dunn was angry because most of the students \_\_\_\_\_ their homework.
- 10 United's manager resigned because the team \_\_\_\_\_ any matches that season.

### 2 Tick the correct ending.

- 1 Greg felt terrified because ...  
 a he's never flown before.       b he'd never flown before. ✓
- 2 How's Susan?  
 a I haven't seen her for ages.       b I hadn't seen her for ages.
- 3 The group Just Girls are breaking up and ...  
 a they've only been together for three months.  
 b they'd only been together for three months.
- 4 We were all very tired because ...  
 a we've just travelled back from Florida.  
 b we'd just travelled back from Florida.
- 5 I love eating here. It's the best restaurant ...  
 a I've ever been to.       b I'd ever been to.
- 6 The whole country was in shock because ...  
 a the President has died.       b the President had died.
- 7 It was the first time Juventus ...  
 a have lost a match.       b had lost a match.
- 8 What's the matter?  
 a You've been depressed all week.  
 b You'd been depressed all week.

### 3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets. (In each sentence, one verb should be in the Past perfect and the others in the Past simple.)

- 1 As soon as the film started (start) Beth realised she 'd seen (see) it before.
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) surprised to find that Mr Cole \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the day before.
- 3 Helen \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) much better after she \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a good sleep.
- 4 The rain \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) by the time we \_\_\_\_\_ (get) to the beach.
- 5 After Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ (know) Alan for a few weeks he \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) her out to dinner.
- 6 When Julia \_\_\_\_\_ (married) Scott she \_\_\_\_\_ (not realise) he \_\_\_\_\_ (be married) before.
- 7 Geoff \_\_\_\_\_ (not see) his parents for 15 years so he \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) rather nervous at the airport.
- 8 The jazz singer \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) an old blues song that I \_\_\_\_\_ (never hear) before.
- 9 When I \_\_\_\_\_ (write) the letter I \_\_\_\_\_ (post) it straightaway.
- 10 Melissa \_\_\_\_\_ (be) angry because her brother \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) all the chocolates.



## Pronunciation

### Past perfect and Past simple in connected speech

#### 4a 6.1 Listen and tick the sentences you hear.

- 1 A: She remembered to call her mum.  
B: She'd remembered to call her mum. ✓
- 2 A: I found the one I was looking for.  
B: I'd found the one I was looking for.
- 3 A: I heard you were in town.  
B: I'd heard you were in town.
- 4 A: John left the book in the car.  
B: John had left the book in the car.
- 5 A: We thought about staying at home.  
B: We'd thought about staying at home.
- 6 A: I booked the table for six o'clock.  
B: I'd booked the table for six o'clock.
- 7 A: He emailed me last week.  
B: He'd emailed me last week.
- 8 A: We met in a restaurant.  
B: We'd met in a restaurant.

#### b Listen again and practise saying the sentences.



## Language focus 2

### Reported speech

#### 5a Read the website extract. Then complete the gaps in Stacy's speech.

Stacy, a single woman from London, first met Sam on the internet. Here is some of the information he wrote about himself on the website. Unfortunately, 'Sam Boyd' didn't exist. He was a criminal who already had three 'wives' in different parts of the world. Later Stacy sold her story to a magazine.

# WEB-DATER

BASIC INFO	
Name	Sam Boyd
Location	I live in Los Angeles.
Occupation	I'm an actor.
Do you have a girlfriend?	
I'm not seeing anyone at the moment.	
Previous relationships	
Nothing serious. I've never been married.	
In 2004 I was engaged to a girl from Florida but we broke up.	
Next visit	
I'll be in the UK on business next March.	

He told me <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ his name

<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Sam Boyd, but I found out later that his real name is Michael Rackham. He said he <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Los Angeles and that he <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ an actor but actually he had never had a job or a permanent address. The worst thing was that he said he <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ anyone and that he <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ married, but the police records showed that he already has three 'wives'; one in Texas, one in Turkey and one in Austria. And as for the woman in Florida he said that he <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ engaged to, we found out later that he was talking about his sister who lives there! He told me he <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in the UK on business in March. He'll get an unwelcome surprise then. The police will be waiting for him!

#### b 6.2 Listen and check.

- 6** Complete sentences 1–10 with a reported form of the statements below.

Fifty-six people have been killed in a train crash.

I practised eight hours every day.

The world is flat.

I'm working with some great people.

I've just got married.

Stephen's doing very well at maths.

You can be anything you want to be!

I'm sure I heard somebody in the garden, Inspector.

People in Brazil use the internet more than anyone.

It'll rain overnight.

1 When I interviewed Mrs Taylor she said that she was sure she'd heard somebody in the garden.

2 On the weather forecast last night they said

3 Stephen's teacher told us

4 When I was young my father told me

5 They said on the news this morning that

6 600 years ago, people thought that

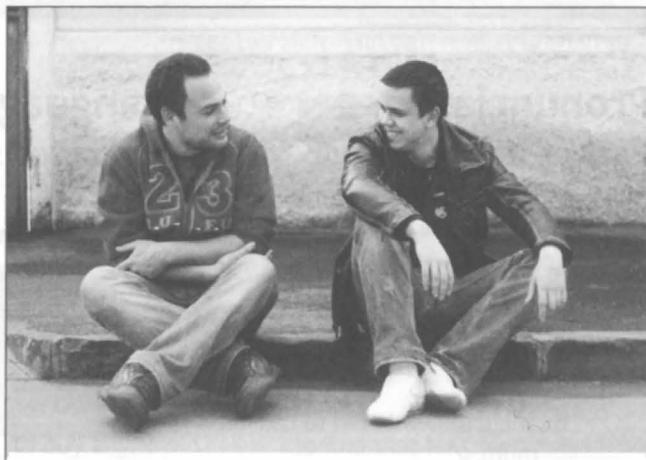
7 I've just been reading an article in *Computer Monthly* which said that

8 My ex-boyfriend sent me a letter saying that

9 Wayne Rider, the new tennis star, said that when he was young

10 In her email about her new job, Nicky told me that

- 7a** Put the words in the correct order to make reported questions.



Alessandro has just arrived in London. He wants to improve his English and yesterday he had an interview at a language school. He's telling his friend about the questions he was asked.

1 asked / what / She / my / me / was / name

She asked me what my name was.

2 job / my / wanted / She / was / what / know / to

3 I / She / me / in / had / asked / London / when / arrived

4 lived / wanted / in / She / if / to / I / Rome / know

5 in / was / I / asked / London / She / where / me / living

6 'd / long / I / been / me / She / English / learning / how / asked

7 I / to / wanted / liked / She / if / know / England

8 to / if / She / me / London / 'd / been / before / asked / I

- b** Write the interviewer's original questions.

1 What's your name?

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

5 \_\_\_\_\_

6 \_\_\_\_\_

7 \_\_\_\_\_

8 \_\_\_\_\_

**8a** Report the questions that Clare was asked.

Clare has just arrived at San Francisco airport where her friend Josh is meeting her. Clare took a long time to go through immigration.

1 Where are you from?

He asked me where I was from.

2 Are you here on holiday?

.....

3 Are you travelling alone?

.....

4 Did you pack your suitcases yourself?

.....

5 Have you been to the USA before?

.....

6 How long will you be in the country?

.....

7 Do you know anyone in San Francisco?

.....

8 Where are you going to stay?

.....

9 How much money do you have with you?

.....

**b** 6.3 Listen to the questions and report them.

You hear:

You say:

Where  
are you from?

He asked  
me where I was from.

## Vocabulary

### say and tell

**9a** Find and correct the five mistakes in the sentences below.

*say*

1 Sorry, what did you **tell**?

2 The press report said the president had been in an accident.

3 Matthew hasn't told his boss that he's leaving yet.

4 Pat's father said her she should be more polite.

5 Danny told he was going to the USA.

6 Tell to your brother that you're sorry.

7 Mr Stuart said a lot about the new plans.

8 Could you say me your name again, please?

**b** Choose the correct words, then complete the sentences with the words in the box.

joke about difference goodbye no off  
sorry thank you the truth what

1 Bob **said / told** me a good joke about an Englishman, an Irishman and a Scotsman.

2 Her teacher **said / told** Tanya ..... for being late.

3 If a woman asks you 'Do I look fat in this?' never **say / tell** her .....!

4 Jo left the party without **saying / telling** ......

5 Look I've **said / told** ...... Can't we just forget about it?

6 Anna's writing a note to her grandparents to **say / tell** ..... for her birthday present.

7 Could you **say / tell** me ..... your relationship with the president?

8 I asked her if she would go out with me but she **said / told** ......

9 Can you **say / tell** me the ..... between the Canadian and American accent?

10 The girl at the helpdesk was great. I explained the problem and she **said / told** me ..... to do.

## Listen and read

### The world's funniest jokes

10 6.4 The University of Hertfordshire conducted research to find the funniest jokes in the world. 350,000 people visited a special site to submit jokes and to vote for their favourite. Here are some of the results of the year-long experiment. Listen and read jokes 1–5 and match them with pictures A–E.



#### 1 The top joke in the UK

A woman gets on a bus with her baby. The bus driver says, 'That's the ugliest baby I've ever seen!' The woman is furious. She says to a man sitting next to her, 'The driver was extremely rude to me.' The man says, 'Go and speak to him. Go ahead, I'll hold your monkey for you.'

#### 2 The top joke in Northern Ireland

A doctor says to his patient, 'I have bad news and worse news.' 'Oh dear, what's the bad news?' asks the patient. The doctor replies, 'You only have 24 hours to live.' 'That's terrible,' says the patient. 'How can the news possibly be worse?' The doctor replies, 'I've been trying to contact you since yesterday.'

#### 3 The top joke in Canada

When the space organisation NASA first started sending up astronauts, they discovered ballpoint pens would not work in zero gravity. To solve the problem, NASA scientists spent ten years and \$12 billion to develop a pen that would write in zero gravity, upside down, under water, on all types of surface, and at temperatures ranging from below freezing to 300°C. The Russians used a pencil.

#### 4 The top joke in Germany

A general noticed one of his soldiers behaving strangely. The soldier used to pick up every piece of paper that he saw, look at it and say, 'That's not it.' This went on for some time until the general arranged for a psychologist to see the man. The psychologist decided that the man was crazy and wrote a letter to say he should leave the army. The soldier picked it up, smiled and said, 'That's it!'

#### 5 The top joke in the world

Two New Jersey hunters are out in the woods when one of them falls down. He doesn't seem to be breathing and he looks very white. The other man takes out his phone and calls the emergency services. 'My friend is dead! What can I do?' The operator says, 'Calm down. I can help. First go and make sure he is dead.' There is a silence, then a shot is heard. Back on the phone, the man says, 'OK, what next?'

## Vocabulary

### Adverbs for telling stories

- 11** Complete the sentences from an email about moving to Russia with the adverbs in the box.

immediately	eventually
fortunately	gradually
obviously	suddenly
surprisingly	unfortunately

As soon as I got to St Petersburg, I <sup>1</sup>immediately fell in the love with the city.  
I had some problems getting around at first, but <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the people are very kind and helped me when I got lost on the Metro.  
I've started Russian lessons and my speaking is <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ improving. The weather's been brilliant.  
<sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_, there had been no snow until November this year (usually it starts in October).  
Last Tuesday it <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ started snowing in the middle of the afternoon at work and it hasn't stopped since then. My apartment is small but clean and not too expensive. <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ it's a long way from the office and I missed the last Metro home last night.  
I was waiting for a taxi when a man came up to me and started talking to me very loudly. He seemed very strange and <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. I felt quite frightened.  
A young man came and helped me. He waited with me until <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ a taxi arrived.

## Writing

### Checking for mistakes

- 12** Here is a Japanese legend written by a student. The teacher has marked the mistakes using the code in the story. Look at the code and correct the mistakes below.

^ for a missing word  
sp for spelling  
wo for word order  
vf for verb form  
ww for a wrong word

### The crane

<sup>1</sup> Once there was <sup>a</sup> poor hunter who lived in Japan. One day he was hunting and <sup>2</sup> he find a crane caught in a tree. He felt sorry for the crane and he freed it. <sup>3</sup> Than he went home and forgot about it.  
<sup>4</sup> A few days later, a lovely woman came to the hunter's house. They felt in love <sup>5</sup> and they got married. His wife new was kind and beautiful but he didn't have <sup>6</sup> enough money for two people. She saw his problems and offered to weave some <sup>7</sup> fabric so that he could sell it – but she said him that he must never watch her. <sup>8</sup> She stayed in the weaving hut during three days. At last she came out with a <sup>9</sup> beuatiful fabric called Tsuru-no-senba-ori (thousand feathers of a crane). The <sup>10</sup> hunter sold the fabric for a lot gold. The hunter spent all the gold and he <sup>11</sup> asked her several times to make fabric more. The hunter became richer <sup>12</sup> and richer but his wife gradually became thiner and thiner.  
<sup>13</sup> Eventually, she said that she can not work because she was too tired. <sup>14</sup> But her husband was greedy and asked her to weave the fabric once longer. <sup>15</sup> Three days passed, then four, then five, but she not did come out of the hut. <sup>16</sup> In the end, on the sixth morning, hunter was so worried that he finally looked <sup>17</sup> through the window of the hut. To his surprising, it was not a woman but a <sup>18</sup> crane that was weaving. Finally, his wife came out with the fabric in arms. <sup>19</sup> She said, 'You have seen my true appearance, so I not can stay with <sup>20</sup> you any longer.' Then she changed into a crane and fly away.

A  
vf  
ww  
ww  
wo  
sp  
ww  
sp  
wo  
sp (x2)  
vf  
ww  
wo  
wo  
wo  
wo  
wo  
vf



# 07 MUST-SEE!

## Vocabulary

## Entertainment and television

### 1 Complete the definitions with the words in the box.



advert	soap opera	cookery programme
documentary	phone-in	weather forecast
travel news	sitcom	talent show
murder mystery	game show	reality show

- 1 A short video used to tell people about a product or a service. advert
  - 2 Part of a programme which gives you information on whether it will rain, be sunny, etc. tomorrow. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 A show which keeps you guessing about what happened until the last scene. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4 A programme which contains factual information about something. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5 Part of a programme which gives you up-to-date information on the traffic conditions. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 6 A show where people compete for prizes. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 7 A show where people compete by singing, dancing, etc. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 8 A programme where members of the public can give opinions or ask for advice. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 9 A programme about ordinary people in unusual or challenging situations. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 10 A series of amusing stories about the same set of characters. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 11 A continuing story about the daily lives of a group of characters. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 12 A programme where you can learn new recipes. \_\_\_\_\_

## Language focus 1

## -ing / -ed adjectives

**2a** Complete the letters to a TV magazine with the adjectives in the box.

A

Well done Channel 10 for the brilliant series City Mysteries. The acting was amazing and the stories didn't try too hard - genuinely interesting without trying to be too <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. I was so <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ when it finished. Are there plans for a new series?

B

I'm rather <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ about ABC's policy on not showing violence before 9 p.m. I watched *The Precinct* at 8:30 p.m. last Thursday and was <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at the amount of violence shown. I must say I'm quite <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ with ABC for making my 10-year-old daughter sit through this.

C

I was really<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ when I saw that Celebrity Spot was back on SBS. I always look forward to the programme because it has such<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ guests. However, last Friday's show was very<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ — the interviewer asked such stupid questions and hardly gave Rihanna a chance to speak!

**b** 7.1 Listen and check.

**3** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjectives in the box.

amazing / amazed      annoying / annoyed  
inspiring / inspired      shocking / shocked  
frustrating / frustrated      irritating / irritated  
confusing / confused      embarrassing / embarrassed

- 1 I was amazed by the amount of progress Maria has made with her English since the last time I saw her.
- 2 It was so                 . Kim's brother came up to talk to me at the party and I didn't recognise him!
- 3 Elena got very                  with Geri for being late for another meeting.
- 4 Whenever I see a great work of art, I feel truly                  to create something myself.
- 5 I wish you'd stop asking me silly questions, it's so                 !
- 6 I'm no good at algebra. I just find all those formulas so                 .
- 7 I was truly                  when Oscar made that comment. How could he be so insensitive?
- 8 I've had a very                  shopping trip: I couldn't find anything I liked.

## Language focus 2

### The passive

**4** Complete the news stories with the correct form of *be* or *have*.

- 1 A house in Brazil which is made of plastic bottles has won a prize.
- 2 Pizza-scented bathroom products        been created by an Italian cosmetics manufacturer.
- 3 Stars of the extreme sport 'free running' will        shown on TV jumping between buildings and across rooftops.
- 4 A dog        been offered a gold credit card with a \$10,000 limit.
- 5 A mother and daughter, who hadn't seen each other for 17 years, met when they        put in the same prison cell in Brazil.
- 6 A Mexican man who        shot in the back and neck says his dog did it.
- 7 French bus drivers, who        banned from wearing sunglasses in summer, are going on strike.
- 8 An eight-foot-long lizard who has a nerve disorder        being treated with acupuncture.
- 9 Five tourists were rescued by helicopter after they        been chased round a field by a bull.
- 10 A man's neighbours say they        being kept awake at night by his dog snoring.

**5** Look at the sentences and write questions using the passive form.

- 1 George was taken to hospital because he had a heart attack. (ask why)  
Why was George taken to hospital?
- 2 The car was stolen between 10 p.m. and midnight. (ask when)
- 3 Tickets for the concert are sold at all large music stores. (ask where)
- 4 The new hospital will be built next to the old one. (ask where)
- 5 The article was written by Urma Mackintyre. (ask who by)
- 6 The open air concert has been cancelled. (ask why)
- 7 Portuguese is spoken in Portugal and Brazil. (ask where)
- 8 Napoleon was known as Boney. (ask what)
- 9 The film was directed by Zeffirelli. (ask who by)
- 10 Forty people have been injured. (ask how many)

**6** Complete the sentences with the passive form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 In the UK, psychology is taught (teach) in universities but not usually in schools.
- 2 The body of a young man        (find) in the river yesterday.
- 3 Thirty-five cars        (steal) from the city centre since January.
- 4 Where        the next Olympics        (hold)?
- 5 Knives        (not sell) to children under the age of 16.
- 6        the bridge        (build) a long time ago?
- 7 I'm sorry, but dinner        (not include) in the price of an overnight stay.
- 8        the vegetables        (freeze) immediately after you pick them?

- 7** Read texts A–C and complete the gaps with the best form (active or passive) of the verbs in the boxes above each text.

A

cost wear make export



'... and this is the last stage of the production process. As you know, Swift trainers are very expensive, and the reason they <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ so much is that they <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of the highest quality leather. We <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ over 10 million trainers to countries all round the world and our shoes <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ by all types of people, from top athletes to children at school.'

B

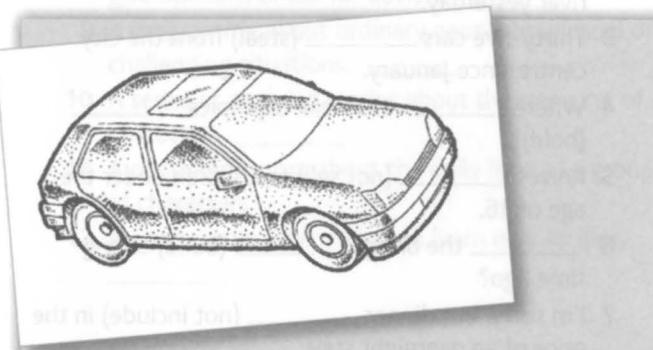
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'... and that <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a track from the latest album by Didi Brown. The songs on the album <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ by Didi herself when she <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Ireland last year. The album is available on download from next week and half the money from the sales <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to the 'Children In Need' fund.'

C

come open check redesign



'This is the new Primera Consul, sir. As you can see, it <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. The seats are more comfortable and there's a sunroof which <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ when you press this button. This model also <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ with all the latest safety features, which <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ very carefully by our technicians before they leave the factory.'

## Vocabulary

### Extreme adjectives

- 8a** Complete the conversations with extreme adjectives.

- 1** A: I bet Tessa was happy about her exam results.  
B: Oh yes, she was absolutely delighted.
- 2** A: I'm not going in – the water's \_\_\_\_\_!  
B: Oh come on, it's not that cold.
- 3** A: You're not frightened of spiders, are you?  
B: Oh yes I am – absolutely \_\_\_\_\_, in fact.
- 4** A: Have you seen the \_\_\_\_\_ outfit that Roberta's wearing?  
B: Oh yes, she does look a bit silly, doesn't she?
- 5** A: I thought there were some really \_\_\_\_\_ moments in that film.  
B: Did you? I didn't think it was that funny.
- 6** A: And now to the sad news about Ernie Hope.  
B: Yes, his death will be a \_\_\_\_\_ loss for the entertainment industry.
- 7** A: I was \_\_\_\_\_ when Will told me about his divorce.  
B: I know, it was a surprise, wasn't it?
- 8** A: You look hot – do you want a cold drink?  
B: Yes, please, it's absolutely \_\_\_\_\_ outside.

- b** 7.2 Listen and check.

## Pronunciation

### Word stress

- 9a** Look at the pairs of words below. Do they have the same (S) or different (D) stress patterns?

- 1 terrified, excellent  
2 astonished, awful  
3 boiling, furious  
4 exhausted, delighted  
5 excellent, hilarious  
6 awful, freezing  
7 hilarious, ridiculous  
8 terrible, furious

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- b** 7.3 Listen and check. Practise saying the adjectives with the correct stress patterns.

## Vocabulary

### Entertainment and television

**10a** Complete quotes 1–13 with the words in the box.  
You may need to use some of the words more than once.

a film	a classical concert
a TV drama	a comedy show
a ballet	an opera
a pop video	a play
a musical	a rock concert

**1** ‘The **camera work** was very different. You could see everything from unusual angles.’

a film

**2** ‘The **jokes** were really funny. I laughed so hard I thought I was going to cry.’

**3** ‘The **orchestra** will be performing Pachelbel’s Canon in D major.’

**4** ‘That was the worst performance of Don Giovanni I’ve ever seen. The **singing** was truly awful.’

**5** ‘The **scenery** was so badly made that parts of it fell onto the stage while the actors were performing!’

**6** ‘Although many of the **cast** are unknown, you’ll soon start to love them after only a few episodes’

**7** ‘Did you see Tiny G.’s new song on The Chart Show yesterday? I know you don’t like his music, but the **special effects** are amazing.’

**8** ‘Channel 9’s new series ‘Sorted’ is terrible. The **plot** could have been written by a five-year old.’

**9** ‘Watching the ‘making of’ documentary, you could see that the actors are as funny off **the set** as they are **on it**.’

**10** ‘Although the **acting** was terrible, the songs were catchy and the performers looked glamorous.’

**11** ‘If you go to see Swan Lake, be prepared to see some truly fantastic **dancing**.’

**12** ‘The **costumes** in the new production of ‘Ghost’ at the Royal Theatre are designed by Marc Lombard.’

**13** ‘I don’t really like their songs in general, but the way the band shouted the **lyrics** made you pay attention!’

**b** Replace the words in bold below with a word in bold from exercise 10a.

1 The **clothes** were very realistic and had amazing detail. costumes

2 I couldn’t hear the **words** in the song as she doesn’t sing very clearly.  

3 I don’t like films with a complicated **story**.

4 The play has a talented **group of actors**.

5 We won a competition to visit the **place where the TV show is filmed**.  

6 What did you think of the **unusual images and sounds** in the film?  

7 I thought the **painted background** in the play was very realistic.  

8 Lucia plays violin with an amateur **group of classical musicians** at the weekend.

## Listen and read

### Customer reviews

#### 11a 7.4 Listen and read customer reviews 1–3.

Which is a review of:

- 1 a film? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 a book? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 a CD? \_\_\_\_\_

1

#### Reviewer: Greg from London

More of the King's top tunes and a follow-up to last year's smash hit album *Elvis Number Ones*, released at a time when the King's popularity is at an all time high. Two tracks stand out from the norm: a curious remix of *Rubberneckin'*, and an unreleased version of *I'm a Routabout*. Both songs are enjoyable to listen to, but not strong enough to be hits.

The rest of the album sounds like many an Elvis compilation of the last two and a half decades, with plenty of old classics and fans' favourites. Some of the highlights which non-fans as well as fans may enjoy are: *Loving You*, *I Need Your Love Tonight*, *Bossa Nova Baby* (potential remix material here?), *Always On My Mind* and *Moody Blue*. *Moody Blue* is a very good song, although recorded at a time when Elvis was not in great health. I believe this could have been a big smash hit for Elvis if it had come along in 1970–73 when he may have had more energy to put into the song, rather than 1976–77.

If you don't already have a lot of the songs on this CD then this is for you, especially as the technical sound quality of the songs will be better than on previous releases.



2

#### Reviewer: Frankie from Wales

This movie is far too short when you compare it to its predecessors, but in its 109 minutes you get more action than the first two movies combined, and you also get a great story.

The effects are second to none, which you expect with a Terminator movie and the pace starts at a blinding speed and never slows. There are some great moments of continuity from the first two movies and one or two cameos and returns of past characters. The movie is also not afraid to have its funny moments, such as Arnie walking into a nightclub naked on ladies' night in search of clothing. The scene also gives some light relief from the movie's otherwise somewhat negative feel as humanity rolls closer to impending disaster.

While I may sound a little unpopular, I rate this instalment higher than its predecessors: the director does a better job than Cameron could ever hope to do. This is a fantastic chase movie, even more so than T2 ever was, and with T4 already written, I am eager to see what will happen next in the saga.

And no, I didn't miss Linda Hamilton as much as I thought I would: this movie has proved that it can do just as well, if not better without her presence.



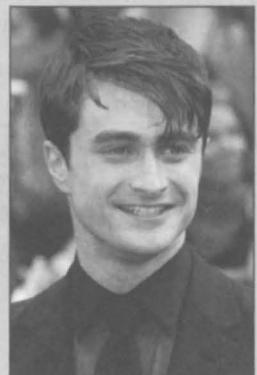
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#### Reviewer: Jed Barker from the USA

Until this summer, I have been guilty of writing off the Harry Potter books as 'mere children's books'. But after finally taking the time to read them, I realised what I have been missing all this time. Sure, they are kid-friendly, but they are witty, clever and can be enjoyed by even a college student like myself. And I am very pleased to say that they get better and better with each instalment.

*Order of the Phoenix* takes a distinctly dark tone that was hinted at in *Goblet of Fire*. Harry is not a young kid any more, and yes, he is angry a lot, but with everything that he has had to deal with, he has every right to be. There is, of course, Voldemort on the loose and the Ministry of Magic trying to cover it up (a source of political satire in this novel). There is also a much-hyped 'death of a central character'. I won't reveal who the unfortunate person is, but I was quite upset when Rowling killed him/her off. That is yet another testament to her genius, the fact that she makes you care so much about her characters.

I thoroughly enjoyed this book. Anyone with a sense of fun and imagination should. It may not be a literary masterpiece, but it doesn't need to be. It's just fun. And yes, it's long, but it moves so fast that you can hardly believe that there are nearly 800 pages!



- b Listen and read again. Are these statements true (T) or false (F)?

The reviewer of the Elvis Presley CD thinks that:

- 1 Presley's music is very popular at the moment.
- 2 *Bossa Nova Baby* has been remixed.
- 3 *Moody Blue* was a smash hit.

The reviewer of *Terminator 3* thinks that:

- 4 it has more action than the previous two movies, although it is shorter.
- 5 the funny scene in the nightclub was a good idea.
- 6 Linda Hamilton should have been in the movie.

The reviewer of the Harry Potter book:

- 7 used to think that Harry Potter books were only for children.
- 8 doesn't understand why Harry Potter is angry a lot.
- 9 admires Rowling's ability to create sympathetic characters.
- 10 thinks that the book is too long.

## Language live

### Making a social arrangement

- 12a Choose the correct answers to complete the conversations.

- 1 A: *I'm phoning to ask / I'll phone to ask* if you'd like to come over for dinner.  
B: That sounds great. What time shall I come?
- 2 A: I've got two tickets for *Rejection* at the cinema on Saturday. *Would you like to come? / Do you like to come?*  
B: *I sorry / I'm sorry*, I can't. It's my sister's birthday.
- 3 A: Great, can you give me a ring *when you get there? / when you'll get there?*  
B: OK, will do.
- 4 A: Are you free later? Do you want to go for some food?  
B: Yeah, *I'd love to! / I'd love!*
- 5 A: *What about meet / What about meeting* at Phil's flat first?  
B: OK, *I'll see you there. / I'm seeing you there.*
- 6 A: *Are you free / Do you free* this evening?  
B: No, sorry ... *I'm having / I'll have* dinner with Cheryl.

- b 7.5 Listen and check.

## Writing

### Email invitations

- 13a Read emails A–F and match the three invitations with their replies.

- 1 an invitation to a meeting \_\_\_\_; reply \_\_\_\_
- 2 a wedding invitation \_\_\_\_; reply \_\_\_\_
- 3 an invitation to stay for the weekend \_\_\_\_; reply \_\_\_\_

A We're having a few people to stay for the weekend from 17–19 August and I was wondering if you'd like to come. We're hoping it'll be nice enough to have picnics, go swimming, etc. Let me know as soon as you can, hope you're well, regards

B That's great news. Of course I'd love to come to the wedding. You'll have to send me the wedding list. Or I should just buy you a surprise present?!

C Hello there. I hope you're not too busy. Could you possibly come to a meeting tomorrow at 10:30, to discuss the new book? I'm sorry it's such short notice.

D Thanks very much for the invitation. I'm afraid I've arranged to go to my parents' wedding anniversary party that weekend, so I won't be able to come. What a shame – some other time, perhaps?

E Yes, I think I can make it. I'll have to leave before 12:00 though, because I've got to be on the other side of town for lunch. I hope that's all right and look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

F I know it's a strange time to be sending email, but I can't sleep! Jon and I have decided to get married and I wanted you to be the first person I invited to the wedding. It's going to be in Dublin on Saturday September 9th. I'll send you a proper invitation in the post – but I do hope you can come. If you're still awake, please reply!

- b Look at the emails again and underline useful phrases for inviting, and for accepting or refusing an invitation.
- c Write an invitation and show it to your teacher.

# 08 SOCIAL LIFE

## Language focus 1

### Polite requests

- 1 In conversations 1–7, is B saying 'yes, it's OK,' or 'no, it's not OK' to A's request? Choose the best answer, Yes or No.



- 1 A: Can I pay by visa?  
B: I'm afraid we only accept cash.  
**Yes / No**
- 2 A: Is it OK if I bring Susanna to the party?  
B: Sure, no problem. It'll be nice to see her.  
**Yes / No**
- 3 A: Do you mind if I phone you back later?  
B: I'll be out until three. Try after that.  
**Yes / No**
- 4 A: Could you possibly have a look at my computer?  
B: Of course.  
**Yes / No**
- 5 A: I'm going to be late home. Would you mind feeding the cat for me?  
B: Of course not.  
**Yes / No**
- 6 A: Do you mind waiting for a few minutes? The doctor's busy at the moment.  
B: Sorry, but I have to catch a train.  
**Yes / No**
- 7 A: Do you think you could come back later?  
B: Certainly.  
**Yes / No**

- 2 Put the words in the correct order to make polite requests.

- 1 me / you / Can / a / lend / pencil ?  
Can you lend me a pencil?
- 2 here / I / mind / if / you / sit / Do ?  
Do you mind if I sit here?
- 3 speak / please / more / you / Could / slowly ?  
Could you speak more slowly, please?
- 4 bag / minute / you / after / mind / a / Would / for / looking / my ?  
Would you mind looking for my bag after a minute?
- 5 possibly / \$20 / borrow / I / Could ?  
Could I possibly borrow \$20?
- 6 mind / your / down / turning / Would / you / music ?  
Would you mind turning down the music, your?

- 3a Find and correct the mistakes in the polite requests.

- 1 A: Is it all right if I close the window?  
B: Yes, go ahead.
- 2 A: Would you helping me with my suitcase?  
B: I'm sorry but I've got a bad back.
- 3 A: Could I pass the salt, please?  
B: Yes, here you are.
- 4 A: Would you to bring us the bill, please?  
B: Certainly, sir.
- 5 A: Do you mind I go now?  
B: No, that's fine. I think we've finished.
- 6 A: Do you mind getting me some milk?  
B: Of course not. How much do you need?
- 7 A: Could I possible have a look at your newspaper?  
B: Of course.
- 8 A: Would you mind to answer my phone while I'm out?  
B: I'm afraid I can't. I'm just going to a meeting.

- b 8.1 Listen and check. Then listen and repeat the conversations, using polite intonation.

- 4 Look at situations 1–9 and complete each question to make it polite.

1 You want to pay by credit card.

Can I pay by credit card?

2 You want to borrow your friend's camera.

Do you think \_\_\_\_\_

3 You didn't hear what your classmate said. You want her to say it again.

Could \_\_\_\_\_

4 You've written a letter in English. You want your teacher to check it.

Would you mind \_\_\_\_\_

5 You can't hear what your flatmate is saying because of the radio. You want him to turn it down.

Would \_\_\_\_\_

6 You need ten euros. You want your colleague to lend it to you.

Do you think \_\_\_\_\_

7 You haven't finished your essay. You want to give it to your teacher a day late.

Do you mind if \_\_\_\_\_

8 You need to use your colleague's computer.

Could I possibly \_\_\_\_\_

9 Your friend asks you to go to the cinema with her. You can't tell her until tomorrow.

Is it OK \_\_\_\_\_

## Pronunciation

### Polite intonation in requests

- 5a 8.2 Listen to the requests below. You will hear them twice. Which one sounds more polite, A or B?

1 Do you mind if I sit here? A

2 Can we have the bill, please?

3 Could you open the window, please?

4 Is it all right to turn on the radio?

5 Excuse me, can you pass me my coat, please?

6 Would you mind lending me €5 until tomorrow?

- b Listen to the polite requests again. Practise saying each one using polite intonation.

## Language focus 2

### *will* and *shall* for instant responses

- 6a Write full answers using *I'll* or *Shall I...* for offering. Add any necessary extra words.

1 A: I forgot to tell Jack about the meeting.

B: I / phone / him / you?

Shall I phone him for you?

2 A: I'm really thirsty.

B: I / get / you / drink.

3 A: Hello, IT Support? My printer isn't working.

B: OK / I / come over / have / look.

4 A: I think I'm going to miss my train.

B: Don't worry / I / take you / station

5 A: This CD is great!

B: I / lend / it / you / you want.

6 A: That old lady's having trouble with her bags.

B: I / go over / help?

7 A: Can you give me some information about holidays in Greece?

B: Certainly. I / get you / brochure.

8 A: Sandra loves these sandals.

B: I / buy / a pair / her birthday?



- b 8.3 Listen and check. Then listen and repeat the offers.

- 7 Choose a sentence from each box, to make conversations for A and B, in situations 1–7.

A

The black ones look really nice, Madam. Are they comfortable?  
There's a problem with the time of my flight, I'm afraid.  
Is there anything good on TV tonight?  
Hi! Nice to see you. Come in and have a coffee.  
Are you ready to order?  
Has Mrs Williams in the Accounts Department returned from lunch yet?  
I've got a problem with my shower. It isn't working.

B

OK, but I've got a meeting later so I'll need to leave by 11.  
Yes, I'll have the fish.  
OK, shall I see if I can change it for you?  
Yes, very – I'll take them.  
I don't know – shall I have a look in the newspaper?  
Yes, she has. Shall I put you through?  
I'll send someone up straightaway. Which room is it?

1 In a shoe shop

A: The black ones look really nice, Madam.  
Are they comfortable?

B: \_\_\_\_\_

2 In a hotel

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_

3 In a travel agent's

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_

4 Visiting a friend's house

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_

5 In a restaurant

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_

6 Phoning someone's office

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_

7 At home in the evening, relaxing

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_



8 Complete the conversations with the correct form of *will* or *going to* and verbs in the box.

go go see buy spend do visit  
give walk throw

1 A: It's Paul's birthday today.

B: Is it? I will go and get him a card.

2 A: Do you want to take a taxi home?

B: No, I think I walk. It's not far.

3 A: Would you like to go out for a meal tonight?

B: Thanks, but I can't. Sue and I spend the evening with my parents.

4 A: I've just seen Mark go into the café next door.

B: Really? I haven't seen him for ages. I walk in and say hello.

5 A: What are you doing this weekend?

B: I visit my brother and his girlfriend. They're having a barbecue.

6 A: What are you doing this weekend?

B: I'm not sure. Maybe I see a film.

7 A: We don't have any more bread.

B: OK, I buy some when I go to the shop.

8 A: Are you running every day?

B: Yes, I run a marathon next month.

9 A: That old pullover looks terrible. It's so old.

B: Yes, you're right. I throw it away.

10 A: I've got an old bike I don't use any more. Do you want it?

B: OK. I pay you £100 for it.

## Vocabulary

### Social behaviour

- 9** Complete the sentences with the correct form of a word/phrase from box A and a word/phrase from box B.

**A**

kiss      hug      go out      shake      take      refuse  
share      insist      invite      pick

**B**

on both cheeks      up      bill      party      home  
hands      drive      date      pay      each other



- 1 In my country, when two women meet they usually kiss each other on both cheeks.
- 2 The show starts at seven so I'll take you up at six.
- 3 The food took an hour to arrive, and tasted awful, so we refused to pay the bill.
- 4 Have you heard? Apparently Owen and Liz shook hands on a date last night!
- 5 Ali and Sophie were so excited when they heard the news that they shouted and cried with happiness.
- 6 Jamie was so nice when we went out. He even invited me to the party at the end of the evening.
- 7 Has Jenny invited you to her party on Saturday? We could go together.
- 8 Do people usually shake arms when they do business in your country?
- 9 I said I'd get the bus, but he insisted on taking me to the party.
- 10 Is it common for men and women to shake the bill when they go out for dinner in your country?

- 10** Correct the wrong word in each sentence.

other

- 1 As soon as they met again they hugged each <sup>other</sup> ^another.
- 2 The company representative offered on paying for lunch.
- 3 No, we're just friends, we didn't go out in a date or anything like that.
- 4 You live near me so I'll take you up on the way, if you want.
- 5 I'm afraid I'll have to invite your kind invitation. I'll be holiday.
- 6 Little Johnny! Come and shake grandma on both cheeks!
- 7 It's not safe for you to walk round here at night. Don't worry, I'll pick you home.
- 8 Ronnie's so mean. He never even offers to paying when we go out.
- 9 Did you hear about that footballer who refused to shake arms before the game?
- 10 You don't have to pay just because you're a man. Let's shake the bill.



## Listen and read

### Culture clash

11a 8.4 Listen and read the article. Put the items a–h in the order you hear them.

- a dress
- b time-keeping
- c translation problems
- d getting to know people personally
- e advertising and marketing a product
- f calling people by their first names
- g business entertaining
- h giving gifts

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# Culture Clash

In Africa, a famous food company tried to sell its baby food by advertising it with the picture of a baby on the label. They did not know that this particular country used labels only to show a picture of the food inside! When Pepsico used the slogan 'Come Alive With Pepsi' in Taiwan, they had no idea that it would be translated into Chinese as 'Pepsi brings your ancestors back from the dead'.

Misunderstandings such as these about language or about culture are sometimes comical but can also cause genuine hurt or anger. Business styles and customs vary widely in different countries and what is normal in one culture can be completely unacceptable in another. How well is your company prepared? Try this short test. Look at the following situations. What mistakes have been made?

- 1 You are in Paris on business. In a meeting it is very hot and you suggest to everyone that they take off their ties and roll up their sleeves.
- 2 A Japanese businessman asks, 'When do you want the report?' 'Yesterday!' answers the American businesswoman.
- 3 In an Arabic country, a group from a British company are invited to a

dinner party. They all bring gifts and during the evening they continue to talk about their work.

- 4 A sales manager in Hong Kong is angry because his workers are always 15 minutes late for work. He makes a new rule that they all must come on time.
- 5 A Spanish secretary receives an urgent request to email a report to the New York office before 2 / 3. She sends it on 1st March.
- 6 You are having a meal with Chinese colleagues in Nanjing. After the meal you use the hot towel to wipe your hands and your face.

How did you do? Did you spot the 'cultural clashes'? Well, in the first situation, French businessmen rarely take off their ties even if the weather is very hot. The idea of the American 'casual Friday' where the boss is called by his or her first name and people can wear jeans and trainers is a complete mystery to many other nationalities. In Germany for example, colleagues often call each other by their titles and surnames, (e.g. Herr, Doktor) in the workplace.

For many Western countries, 'time is money' and good business equals fast business. However, in some cultures people consider that building good

relationships with business partners is more important. They think in months and years and not days and hours and find Western executives impatient.

Socialising in different countries can be tricky. In Arabic countries, for example, people do not discuss business over meals. Giving gifts is another potential problem: in the UK most people take presents to a dinner party, but in many countries this is not polite because it suggests that you think the host is poor.

The Hong Kong story is true. The workers started coming on time but they also stopped exactly on time instead of working into the night as they used to do and left a great deal of work unfinished.

The Spanish secretary was a month late. She didn't realise that in America the month is written before the day, whereas in Europe the day comes first.

Finally, in the Chinese restaurant it is bad manners to wipe your face with a towel. Chinese people use it only for their hands.

So how did you do? Are you culturally aware or do you need a course in cross-cultural relationships? Whatever you do, remember that your way is not the only way and it is important to respect other people's customs.

b Listen and read again. Are the statements below true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 A famous company wanted to make food from babies.
- 2 Cultural misunderstandings can often be funny.
- 3 French businessmen usually dress formally.
- 4 People usually call their boss by their first name in Germany.
- 5 In many Western countries, people don't like to waste time.
- 6 In Arab countries, there are special restaurants for discussing business plans.
- 7 In the UK, people bring presents to a party if the host is poor.
- 8 The Hong Kong workers did more work when they came in late.
- 9 In the USA, February 3rd can be written 2/3.
- 10 In Chinese restaurants, different towels are used to wipe your hands and your face.

**F**

13a Correct the mistakes in each sentence.

to

- 1 Men tend ^shake hands when they meet and women tend to hug each other.
- 2 It's consider rude to show the bottom of your feet.
- 3 It's unacceptable to touch someone's head.
- 4 It's perfect normal to wear jeans in an office.
- 5 It's good manner to hold the door open for someone.
- 6 It's important saying sorry if you are in someone's way.
- 7 On the hole, it's OK to blow your nose in public.
- 8 On the whole, it's acceptable to men and women to share the bill when they go out.
- 9 Is bad manners to laugh without covering your mouth.
- 10 It's usually to take a present when you go to someone's house for dinner.

## Vocabulary

### Talking about norms and customs

12 Use the prompts to make sentences about the advice in the article in exercise 11.

- 1 French businessmen / tend / keep their ties on.

French businessmen tend to keep their ties on.

- 2 In China / considered rude / use a hot towel to wipe your face.

- 3 Germans / not tend / call colleagues by their first names.

- 4 In Japan / good manners / build relationships slowly / doing business.

- 5 In many Arabic countries / unacceptable / talk about business during meals.

- 6 In the UK / important / take a gift to a dinner party.

- 7 In Spain / not usual / write 2nd July as 7/2.

- 8 In the USA / perfectly normal / people / wear casual clothes on Fridays.

b Which sentences are true for your country? Change the ones which aren't to make them true.



# 09 STUFF!

## Listen and read

### eBay

1a 9.1 Listen and read about eBay. Choose the best answers to complete the sentences.

- 1 eBay is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a a shop      b a website      c an office
- 2 The writer \_\_\_\_ things on eBay.  
a bought      b found      c sold
- 3 You can buy and sell \_\_\_\_ things on eBay.  
a lots of different      b unusual      c expensive
- 4 People \_\_\_\_ can use eBay.  
a in Europe      b in the USA      c all over the world

b Listen and read again and answer the questions.

1 You want to sell something on eBay. What three things do you have to do?

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2 You want to buy the following things. Which category would you look in?

- a a ticket for the 2002 World Cup Final
- 

- b a motorcycle
- 

- c an apartment in Chicago
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- d a pretty ornament of a cat
- 

3 How did people find out about the company before 1996?

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4 When did a lot of internet companies have problems?

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5 Has eBay ever had any serious problems?

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6 Who was the first Chief Executive Officer of eBay?

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7 How does eBay make a profit?

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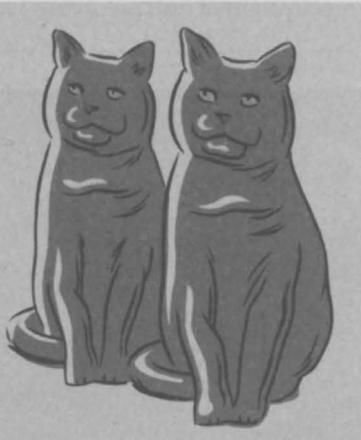
8 Did the writer manage to sell everything?

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Yesterday I cleared up my house and I mean *really* cleared up my house. The room that gave the most results was my husband's 'office'. There I found: one right-footed walking boot, size 10 (he lost the other one somewhere), a garden badminton set, complete with rackets and a net (we decided to get fit last summer and played with it once), a set of Star Wars videos and two small china cats someone gave me last birthday. I collected these and other 'finds', took them downstairs and logged on to [www.eBay.com](http://www.eBay.com): the answer to all our rubbish – or 'one person's junk is another person's treasure.'

What is eBay? The simple answer is that it is the world's most popular auction house. The website says, 'eBay's mission is to provide a global trading platform where practically anyone can trade practically anything,' – yes, even one right-footed boot. People can sell and buy in

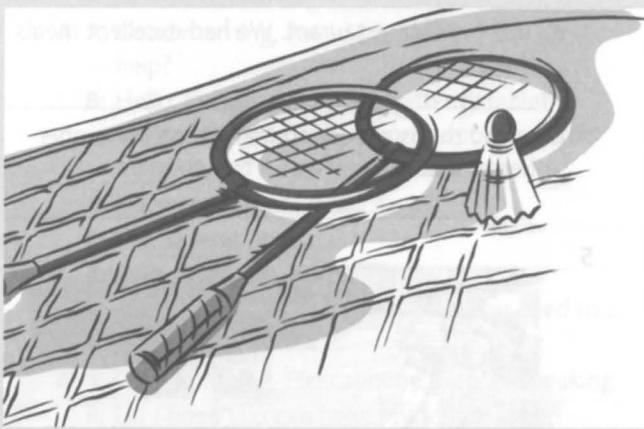


a range of over 300 categories, including cars and other vehicles, movies and DVDs, sporting goods, collectibles, travel, tickets, musical instruments, real estate, clothes and shoes, jewellery – the list goes on and on.

The idea came from Peter Omidyar. Born in Paris, Omidyar, moved to Washington when he was still a child. At High School he became very interested in computer programming and after graduating from Tuft University

# e-Reader

## The online buyer's guide

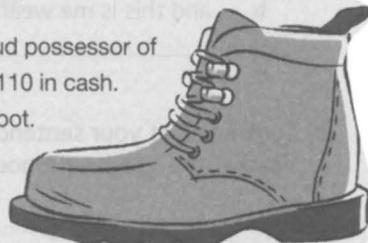


In 1988, he worked for the next few years as a computer engineer. In his free time he started eBay as a kind of hobby, originally offering the service free by word of mouth. By 1996 there was so much traffic on the site that he had to upgrade and he began charging a fee to members. Joined by a friend, Peter Skoll, and in 1998 by his dynamic CEO, Meg Whitman, he has never looked back. Even in the great dot com crashes of the late 1990s eBay went from strength to strength. It is now one of the ten most visited online shopping sites on the internet.

If you think about it, it's a perfect internet idea. It sells connections not goods, putting buyer and seller into contact with each other. All you have to do is take an e-photo, write a description, fill out a sales form and you're in business; the world is your marketplace. Oh, and of course for each item sold, eBay gets a percentage and that is a great deal of money. Everyday there are more than 16 million items listed on eBay and 80 percent of items are sold.

Some of the more bizarre items up for offer have been a piece of French toast, partially eaten by Justin Timberlake, advertising space on a man's head, a pair of used false teeth, and 'Nothing' (the seller said he would give the profits to a local university).

One week later, I am the proud possessor of a clean and tidy home and £110 in cash. Someone even bought the boot.



## Language focus 1

### Defining relative clauses

- 2a Match the sentence beginnings in A with the endings in B. Then complete the gaps with *who*, *which*, *whose* or *where*.

A

- 1 A leisure time activity is something
- 2 A determined person is someone
- 3 The Jim twins were brothers
- 4 An archaeological site is a place
- 5 A brilliant film is one
- 6 A confident person is someone
- 7 Kobe is the town in Japan
- 8 A disappointing book is one

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B

- a \_\_\_\_ people have found important historical buildings or objects.
- b \_\_\_\_ believes in their own ability to do something.
- c which you enjoy doing in your free time.
- d \_\_\_\_ karaoke probably started.
- e \_\_\_\_ knows what they want and works hard to get it.
- f \_\_\_\_ we expect to be better than it is.
- g \_\_\_\_ lives were remarkably similar.
- h \_\_\_\_ people think is very good.

b 9.2 Listen and check.

- 3 Read the conversation about holiday plans. Look at the relative pronouns in bold and bracket the ones which can be omitted.

A: We're thinking of going to Spain this year. You went there last year, didn't you?

B: Yes, that's right. Actually I've got some photos (*which*) I can show you of where we went. It was Mohacar on the south coast. A friend **whose** daughter went there last year recommended it.

A: Oh, someone **who** I work with has been to Mohacar. It's a very quiet area, isn't it?

B: Yes, the thing **that** I liked most about it was the relaxing atmosphere. It's a place **where** you can forget all your problems.

A: How do you get there?

B: Well you can fly to Almeria, but that's quite expensive, or you can take any flight **which** goes to Malagar and drive east along the coast. I know several people **who** have done that. Anyway, do you want to see the photos?

- 4a** Look at the photos from Les's holiday last year. Les is talking about the photos. Join his sentences, using a relative pronoun.

1



- a This is the apartment. We rented it ...  
This is the apartment which/that we rented  
b ... and these are the people. They were staying in the apartment next door.  
and these are the people who were staying in the apartment next door.

2



- a This is the sea. We had breakfast there every morning ...  
b ... and this is the beach. It was right in front of our apartment.

3



- a This is a beach café. It stayed open till three in the morning ...  
b ... and this is the man. He owned it.

4



- a This is a fish restaurant. We had excellent meals there ...

- b ... and this is a local woman. I can't remember her name.

5



- a This is one day. We went on a boat trip ...

- b ... and these are the men. We borrowed their boat.

6



- a This is a market. It was open every Wednesday ...

- b ... and this is me wearing a hat. I bought it there.

- b Look again at your sentences in exercise 4a and bracket the relative pronoun if it can be omitted.

## Vocabulary

### How gadgets work

- 5a** Complete the conversations with the correct form of the words/phrases in the box.

crashed	scroll down	hold down	switch off
break down	recharge	restart	
touch (the) icon		reinstall (the) software	
unplug	(not) work	press	

A A: Good morning, Patricia speaking. How can I help?  
 B: Hello. I've got a problem with my tablet computer. I was working on a document this morning and it <sup>1</sup>crashed three times.  
 A: Have you tried <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ it?  
 B: Yes, several times.  
 A: OK, well I think the best thing to do is  
<sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_. First, you need to ...

B A: Good morning, Meccaphone, George speaking.  
 B: Hi! I hope you can help. My touch-screen phone's gone dead.  
 A: How long have you had it?  
 B: A week.  
 A: You probably need to <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the battery.  
 B: And another thing ... I can't access the apps I've downloaded.  
 A: You need to access the downloads folder. Open 'settings' and <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the menu with your finger until you come to 'downloads'. Then <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ and they should be there.  
 B: OK, thanks!

C A: Good morning, Print Logistics. How can I help you?  
 B: Morning. Our photocopier <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. Every time we try to copy something, it <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ and stops working.  
 A: OK, <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_ at the wall, then <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ it.  
 B: Hang on ... oh, right, I've done that.  
 A: <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the 'print' button while you switch it back on. Can you see a menu?  
 B: Yes, I see it.  
 A: In the menu, <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ 'restart'. That should solve the problem.

- b** 9.3 Listen and check.

## Pronunciation

### Stress patterns in compound nouns

- 6a** Complete the table with the compound nouns in the box.

digital camera	laptop
internet addict	dishwasher
bodyguard	personal trainer
electric cooker	recycling bin
energy drink	personal computer
instruction manual	washing machine
mobile phone	games console

Stress on the first part	Stress on both parts
• laptop	• digital camera

- b** 9.4 Listen and check.

## Language focus 2

### Quantifiers

- 7a** Are the words in the box countable or uncountable? If they are countable, are they singular or plural? Write them in the table.

banana	chair	children	fruit	
information	jewellery	milk	money	news
people	person	petrol	pollution	
potatoes	price	rice	ring	storm
sugar	traffic	vegetable	weather	

countable singular	banana
countable plural	
uncountable	

- b** Choose the correct answers.

- 1 The children **is / are** upstairs.
- 2 The fruit **isn't / aren't** ready to eat yet.
- 3 The weather **was / were** very bad.
- 4 Who **is / are** the people behind you in the photo?
- 5 Petrol **is / are** getting more and more expensive.
- 6 How much money **is / are** there in my account?
- 7 **Is / Are** the jewellery real?
- 8 The traffic **was / were** terrible.
- 9 I'm afraid there **is / are** no news yet.
- 10 The information **was / were** wrong.

- 8a** Sandra is trying to persuade Aileen to go to a party but Aileen doesn't want to go. Match Aileen's comments 1–7 with a response from Sandra a–g. Then complete the sentences with the words in the box.



anything some enough few got have  
lots of many much no isn't of  
plenty couple

**Aileen:**

- 1 I haven't got anything to wear.
- 2 I've got              friends.
- 3 I haven't              much money.
- 4 There'll be too              people.
- 5 I never              anything to say.
- 6 I've got too              homework to do.
- 7 There              enough time to get ready.

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**Sandra:**

- a You've got a              of hours tomorrow when you could finish it.
- b There's              time – we don't need to be there until nine!
- c Don't be silly. You've got              you could talk about.
- d Come on ... you've got loads              friends.
- e But you've got some really nice clothes.
- f You only need              for a taxi.
- g Oh, but only a              people are coming.

- b** 9.5 Listen and check.

**9** Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

of

- 1 Now my father is retired he's got plenty ^ time for his hobby: surfing the internet.
- 2 I think the soup needs a few salt. It doesn't have much taste.
- 3 There were too many people and too many noise, so Jan couldn't see or hear the prime minister.
- 4 I don't think there's enough of food for 100 people.
- 5 Lisbon has got loads of good shops but there's not much of parking space in the city centre.
- 6 There are plenty of tickets left for the afternoon performance, but no many for the evening.
- 7 I want to thank everyone who has given me a lot support.
- 8 There are plenty things to eat, so please help yourself.
- 9 We've got lot of friends who live nearby.
- 10 We haven't got some milk in the fridge.
- 11 There were loads things to do before the party started; fortunately David helped.
- 12 Sorry, but I can't go on holiday with you. I've got none money.

## Vocabulary

### Describing everyday objects

- 10** Use *they're both*, *they're both made of*, *they've both got* or *they're both used for* and a word in the box to write a description for each pair 1–8.

leather batteries rectangular round metal  
glass sticking wool

- 1 shoes and handbags

*They're both made of leather.*

- 2 a window and a wine bottle

- 3 a knife and scissors

- 4 a towel and a book

- 5 sellotape and glue

- 6 an alarm clock and portable speakers

- 7 a ring and a plate

- 8 a jumper and a scarf

## Language live

### Buying things

**11a** Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

1 help / I / Can / all / at ?

Can I help at all?

2 to / How / pay / like / would / you ?

3 if / I / Can / right / isn't / back / it / bring / it ?

4 those / get / How / with / on / you / did ?

5 for / to / delivery / I / Do / pay / have ?

6 product / Have / code / a / got / you ?

7 this / have / 16 / Do / size / a / you / in ?

8 including / that / VAT / Is ?

**b** Match the questions 1–8 with the responses a–h.

a No, you don't. Orders over £50 are delivered free.

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b Yes, they were OK.

c No, thanks. I'm just looking

d Yes, that's fine. Just keep your receipt.

e No, it's not.

f I'll have a look for you.

g By credit card, please.

h Yes, it's XU319.

**c** 9.6 Listen and check.

## Writing

### Formal and informal styles

**12a** Look at the two letters about things which have been lost. A is informal and B is more formal. Complete the letters with the phrases in the box.

Just writing to say

I don't suppose you've found it

I do hope it has been found

could you post it

I would be grateful if you could send it

let me know how much the postage is

I will of course pay for postage

I am writing to enquire whether

## A

46 Broom Way  
23rd February

Dear Andy,

<sup>1</sup> Just writing to say thanks again for having us last weekend. We both had a really good time.

The only thing is, I've lost one of my earrings: I know I was wearing it on Sunday and when we got home, I couldn't find it. Perhaps it fell off while I was playing with the children in the garden.

2 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

I don't know if you remember it. It's quite big, made of silver, with a blue stone set in it. The earrings are quite special to me because they were a birthday present from Peter.

If you do happen to find it, <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to me? Obviously, <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Anyway, I'll keep my fingers crossed!

Lots of love,

Ingrid

## B

22 Prince Avenue,  
Horbury  
The Manager,  
Sherbon Hotel,  
Vermont

27th March

Dear Sir / Madam,

<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you have found a camera which I left in my hotel room last weekend. I was staying in room 201 from 21st–23rd. I am almost certain that I left the camera in the bedside cabinet.

<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ since it is a very expensive model. It is a Nikon compact, in a black leather case with a red and black strap.

<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ by registered post to the above address. <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Yours faithfully,  
Ian Crompton

**b** Imagine that you have just finished a language course in the UK, and you realise that you have left something in a classroom. Write to the school to ask about it. The address is: Success Language School, Dewbury Road, Brighton.

# 10 SOCIETY AND CHANGE

## Vocabulary

### Numbers and statistics

- 1 a 10.1 Listen and choose the number you hear. Then listen again and repeat the numbers.

1 16%	60%
2 15,025	50,025
3 1.5 million	1.5 billion
4 13°C	30 C
5 1,045 km <sup>2</sup>	1,450 km <sup>2</sup>
6 a profit of 20%	a profit of 21%

- b Write the numbers in full.

- 1 47% forty-seven percent  
2 \$12,265 twelve thousand two hundred and sixty-five dollars  
3 15 m<sup>2</sup> fifteen square metres  
4 €305,000 three hundred and five thousand euros  
5 30°C thirty degrees Celsius  
6 70 kph seventy kilometres per hour  
7 10,000,000 ten million  
8 4.3 four point three

## Language focus 1

### Making predictions

- 2 Put *will* ('ll) or *won't* in the best place in the sentences.

won't

- 1 Don't worry. I <sup>n</sup>forget!
- 2 Why don't you buy Meg this bag? She <sup>n</sup>love it!
- 3 I know I win but I buy a lottery ticket every week.
- 4 Let me make a photocopy. It <sup>n</sup>take long.
- 5 There <sup>n</sup>be lots of food at the party.
- 6 The flight takes two hours, so you arrive at 10 o'clock.
- 7 Don't panic. The coach <sup>n</sup>go without you!
- 8 I'm going to the conference in Lisbon. You <sup>w</sup>be there?
- 9 It <sup>w</sup>definitely rain this afternoon. You can leave your umbrella at home.
- 10 You probably have to wait a long time, so take a book <sup>w</sup>you.

- 3 Complete the sentences with *is/are/isn't/aren't likely to* and the verb in brackets.

- 1 You <sup>'re likely to find</sup> (find) the food strange at first.
- 2 We <sup>aren't likely to eat</sup> (not eat) until late, so have something now if you're hungry.
- 3 Rooney <sup>isn't likely to play</sup> (not play) on Saturday.
- 4 The news <sup>isn't likely to be</sup> (be) bad. They think a lot of people were hurt.
- 5 You <sup>aren't likely to improve</sup> (not improve) if you don't practise.
- 6 We <sup>aren't likely to sleep</sup> (sleep) much tonight. They're having a party next door.
- 7 Passengers <sup>aren't likely to experience</sup> (experience) long delays at the airport.
- 8 Graeme and Shirley <sup>aren't likely to arrive</sup> (not arrive) here soon, what with all this traffic.
- 9 Jo <sup>is likely to have</sup> (have) a great time on holiday. She certainly deserves a rest.
- 10 The weather <sup>isn't likely to get</sup> (get) worse, so bring an umbrella.



**4a** Complete the answers with *may well* and a verb in the box.

find cancel fail get married leave snow

- 1 A: I've never done any salsa dancing before.  
B: In that case, you may well find it best to take some lessons.
- 2 A: Melanie seems unhappy in her job.  
B: Yes. She                    the company soon.
- 3 A: How long have Jon and Sylvie been going out with each other?  
B: Almost a year now and they                    next year.
- 4 A: I am phoning to check my flight. It's BA 2517.  
B: Conditions are very poor at the moment and they                    the flight.
- 5 A: When is your driving test?  
B: In two days' time. I feel OK about the practical but I                    the written exam.
- 6 A: It's very cold, isn't it? Have you seen the weather forecast today?  
B: Yes. It                    later.

**b** ① 10.2 Listen and check.

**5** Put the words in the correct order. The first word is underlined.

1 tonight / see / I'll / definitely / Ray

I'll definitely see Ray tonight.

2 probably / pass / Carlos / his / exam / won't

3 stay / New York / decide / in / Teresa / may / to / well

4 get / isn't / to / Sandy / job / likely / the

5 next / almost / I'll / computing / year / do / certainly / a / course

6 so / could / us / late / don't / We / for / wait / be

7 weekend / away / probably / We / this / go / won't

8 loads / are / on / There / the / likely / beach / be / to / people / of

9 won't / Jamie / test / his / certainly / pass / almost

10 more / humans / are / Robots / than / intelligent / unlikely / become / to

**6a** Rewrite these sentences so that they mean the same, using the words in brackets.

- 1 Brazil are likely to win the World Cup.  
Brazil       may well win the World Cup. (*may well*)
- 2 I'm sure we won't have time to do any sightseeing.  
We                    (*definitely*)
- 3 It'll probably rain before the end of the day.  
It                    (*likely*)
- 4 Perhaps my friend Mari will be a famous actress one day.  
My friend Mari                    (*could*)
- 5 My boss is very unlikely to agree to the pay rise.  
My boss                    (*almost certainly*)
- 6 I think you'll recognise my sister when you see her.  
You                    (*probably*)
- 7 We probably won't get back from the theatre before midnight.  
We                    (*likely*)
- 8 I'm sure that our teacher will give us a lot of homework for the weekend.  
Our teacher                    (*almost certainly*)

**b** ① 10.3 Listen to the sentences and change them, using the prompts given.

You hear:

Brazil  
are likely to win the  
World Cup. (*may well*)

You say:

Brazil       may well win the  
World Cup.

## Vocabulary

### Society and change

#### 7a Write ↑ or ↓.

- |                                   |                     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 become more (+ adjective) _____ | 7 increase _____    |
| 2 decrease _____                  | 8 deteriorate _____ |
| 3 go up _____                     | 9 get worse _____   |
| 4 get better _____                | 10 go down _____    |
| 5 fall _____                      | 11 improve _____    |
| 6 become less (+ adjective) _____ | 12 rise _____       |

- b Complete the newspaper articles with the phrases from exercise 7a.  
(More than one phrase is possible in each case.)

## UK divorce rate improves

The number of people who get divorced has <sup>1</sup> decreased / fallen / gone down to a ten-year low according to the Office for National Statistics. There were 144,600 divorces last year compared with 158,000 ten years ago. It is the third year that the number of divorces has <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Unfortunately, however, getting divorced is becoming a habit. The number of people divorcing for the second or third time has <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ sharply. It is now almost double the number of ten years ago.

### Equality at work?

The number of working women has <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ dramatically in the last 50 years. In 1960 one in four married women went out to work. Today, nearly three out of four do so.

However, most employees in the lowest-paid professions are women. Their conditions of work have not <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ much, and it is normal to work long hours for minimum pay. In some cases, in fact, the conditions have <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ since the 1960s, with employers demanding longer hours at difficult times. To balance this, it has <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ easier for women to climb to the top of their profession and the number of female managers, directors, top lawyers and doctors is significantly greater.

### Geniuses should not get married

Geniuses should not get married, according to Dr Satoshi Kanazawa of New Zealand. Male scientists tend to have their biggest successes before their mid-30s and after that their ability to invent or discover something important rapidly <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Just like male birds and animals, young men are competitive and want to attract females; their creativity <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ during their 20s and 30s, but as soon as they get married and have families, it begins to disappear.



## Language focus 2

### Hypothetical possibilities with if

- 8a Complete the questions about imaginary situations with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 If you won (win) a lot of money, what would you do (do) with it?
- 2 What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (do) if someone \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to rob you in the street?
- 3 If you \_\_\_\_\_ (break down) on the motorway, \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (get out) of the car?
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (know) what to do if someone \_\_\_\_\_ (cut) their arm badly?
- 5 If you \_\_\_\_\_ (know) a friend of yours was stealing money from his company, \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) anyone?
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) safe walking home alone at night in your town?
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ (move) to another country if you \_\_\_\_\_ (have) the chance?
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) raw meat?
- 9 What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (do) if you \_\_\_\_\_ (find) out you were going to have a baby?
- 10 If someone \_\_\_\_\_ (offer) you a free bungee jump, what \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (do)?



**b** Match answers a–j with the questions in exercise 8a.

- a If I was hungry enough, yes, I would.
- b I think I'd probably tie something round it.
- c Oh yes, I'd love to have the opportunity to experience another culture.
- d No, I wouldn't. I'd lock the doors and stay inside.
- e I might do it for the experience if I was feeling brave!
- f I'd cry with happiness and tell all my family!
- g I might tell another friend so we could decide what to do.
- h I'd probably just give him all my money and run.
- i No, I definitely wouldn't. It's too dangerous after dark here.
- j I'd travel round the world.  1

**c** What would you do in the situations in exercise 8a. Write your answers using *I'd*, *I wouldn't*, *I might*, *I could*.

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
 6 \_\_\_\_\_  
 7 \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 \_\_\_\_\_  
 9 \_\_\_\_\_  
 10 \_\_\_\_\_

**9a** Complete the conversations with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- A A: I can't decide whether to have the baby in hospital or not.  
 B: Well, I <sup>1</sup>'d go (go) into hospital, especially as it's your first baby.  
 A: Yes, you're probably right.  
 B: Have you decided on a name yet?  
 A: Yes – if it <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a boy, we <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (call) him Tom, and if it <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a girl, Sara.

**B** A: Why aren't you going to your classes?

- B: Because they're so boring: I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) if they <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) more interesting. And I always get bad marks.  
 A: Well, that's not surprising: if you <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) less time playing computer games and <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) harder, you <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) so many problems.

**b** 10.4 Listen and check.**10** Use the correct form of the word/phrases in the box to complete the sentences below.

retire early take the day off work  
 trust your more live  
 take revenge not be cheap  
 be taller start a business  
 be on fire worry less about my health

- 1 If I were rich, I'd retire early.
- 2 If Rodrigo lost his job, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 James could go on that ride \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 She would tell you her secret \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 If someone did something really bad to you, \_\_\_\_\_?
- 6 If I were ill, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 I might throw water over my bed \_\_\_\_\_!
- 8 If you could live in another country, where \_\_\_\_\_?
- 9 We wouldn't go to this restaurant \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 If I could live forever, \_\_\_\_\_.

## Pronunciation

### 'll or 'd in connected speech

**11a** 10.5 Listen and write the six sentences you hear.

- 1 I'd move to Antarctica if
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_

**b** Finish the sentences so they are true for you.

## Listen and read

### Stuck on a desert island?

12a 10.6 Listen and read the website discussion and answer the questions.

1 Who would be lonely?  
\_\_\_\_\_

2 Who would not enjoy the silence?  
\_\_\_\_\_

3 Who would miss food or drink?  
\_\_\_\_\_

4 Who would hate being on a desert island?  
\_\_\_\_\_



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## Stuck on a desert island?

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POST 1

STEVE, USA

Hi everyone,  
What would you miss most and least if you were stuck on a desert island? For me it would be the changing seasons, especially the fall in New England. Sure, it would be fantastic to have non-stop sun, but I'd miss the colours of the seasons. I guess this will sound stupid but I'd probably miss the rain too! I wouldn't miss getting up at six every day to go to work, though! What about you?

POST 2

TOMAS, GERMANY

Good question, Steve. I think I'd miss the pastries and different types of bread, and shopping at the local markets, and sausages, although I suppose I could try and make my own. So, yeah, the food. I'd miss the food most. What would I miss least? My mobile – I'd like to be completely uncontactable – at least for a little while.

POST 3

PAOLA, ITALY

I would miss the company of people because I know I'd like to have someone to share experiences with. For instance, if there was a fantastic sunrise I'd want someone to be there to enjoy it with me. I'm a sociable sort of person and I'd go mad on my own. And I definitely wouldn't miss junk mail – I hate coming home every evening and finding a pile of junk mail in my post box.

POST 4

MIKO, JAPAN

Hi,  
I would miss Manga cartoons, the internet and Japanese food, like nori, sushi and Japanese beef. I'd also miss TV shows and shopping for clothes ... and my two dogs. In fact, I'd miss everything.

POST 5

ROGER, UK

I would miss my daily newspaper and listening to the news on the TV and radio. I'd feel very cut off if I didn't know what was happening in the world. If you gave me a radio, then I'd be perfectly happy to live on a desert island for the rest of my life. What I'd miss least would be traffic jams in the city, particularly my journey to work.

POST 6

JAYNE, CANADA

Why hasn't anyone mentioned their family? I'd be lost without my husband and two kids. They're the most important things for me. Maybe coffee, too. I can't get started in the morning without a cup of black coffee. I wouldn't miss doing the housework. Just think, no more cleaning or washing-up! And it'd be good to be able to relax as much as I wanted.

POST 7

JAIME, MEXICO

It would have to be music. I couldn't live without my music!

I wouldn't miss going to school at all or doing homework!

- b Are these statements true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Steve would be bored by too much sunny weather.
- 2 Tomas would probably hate being alone.
- 3 Nobody would miss living in a city.
- 4 Paola hates getting letters.
- 5 Three people would miss technology.
- 6 Jaime enjoys school.

## Vocabulary

### Society

- 13 Complete the definitions with words in the box.

pollution	homelessness
corruption	unemployment
wealthy	tax-payers
racism	healthcare
poor	education

- 1 pollution : dirty air, water, etc.
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ : very rich
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ : teaching and learning in school or university
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ : being without a place to live
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ : service provided by doctors, hospitals, etc.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ : being without a job
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_ : people who work and pay money to the government
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ : dishonest behaviour
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ : believing that other groups of people are different and not as good as your own
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ : having little money

- 14 Choose the correct answers to complete the sentences.

- 1 **Homelessness / Pollution** has increased as more people are living on the street.
- 2 It's difficult to vote nowadays as **ordinary people / the opposition parties** are so similar to the government.
- 3 Since the start of the war more money has been spent on **tax-payers / defence**.
- 4 The government shouldn't **waste money on / reduce spending on** improving parks when we have more serious problems.
- 5 Hospitals have improved a lot since the government made **education / healthcare** a priority.
- 6 The scandal involving the minister was just another example of the **pollution / corruption** common in politics.
- 7 I think the government should **reduce taxes for / waste money on** people in key jobs: teachers, doctors, etc.
- 8 People were angry when they discovered the president had used **tax payers' / the opposition parties'** money to pay for his holiday.
- 9 **Crime / Unemployment** has reached 30 percent, which means that 3 out of 10 people don't have a job.
- 10 I hate **racism / corruption**. How can you judge someone by the colour of their skin?
- 11 I think **the wealthy / the poor** should pay more tax, as they have more money.
- 12 The government's new 'clean-air' law aims to reduce **pollution / unemployment** in big cities.



# 11 RULES

## Language focus 1

### Obligation and permission in the present

- 1a Rewrite the sentences, replacing the words in bold with the correct form of **is/are allowed to**.

1 You **can't** eat in here.

You aren't allowed to eat in here.

2 You **can** walk on the grass.

3 Is it **OK** for us to use a calculator?

4 Visitors **must not** touch the exhibits.

5 On Saturdays, we **can** stay up until ten o'clock.

6 Children under five **cannot** use the swimming pool without an adult.

7 Can I hang pictures on the walls?

8 It's **OK** for you to wear casual clothes.

9 You **mustn't** use your mobile phone in here.

10 Can we take photos in here?



- b Choose the correct alternative in each sentence.

- 1 You **should** / **are allowed to** get more exercise.  
You're not very healthy.
- 2 You **can** / **mustn't** register online or by phone, it's up to you.
- 3 Our teacher's very strict. We **aren't allowed to** / **can** speak unless we raise our hand first.
- 4 Candidates **must** / **are allowed to** present photo ID at the start of the exam.
- 5 You **don't have to** / **shouldn't** talk to her like that, it's rude.
- 6 You **don't have to** / **mustn't** make notes, but you can if you want to.
- 7 Passengers **ought to** / **mustn't** distract the driver when the bus is moving.
- 8 You **ought to** / **are allowed to** let him know if you're going to be late.
- 9 People in my country **are allowed to** / **can't** get married until they are 18.
- 10 Residents **shouldn't** / **are allowed to** keep pets, but only a cat or dog.

- 2a Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

have	should	mustn't	can
can't	must	ought	don't have
are allowed	aren't allowed		

- 1 You have to leave your keys at reception when you go out of the hotel.
- 2 I think people spend more time with their families and less time at work.
- 3 Passengers walk around the plane when it is taking off.
- 4 Candidates take a dictionary into the exam, but they can't take in a grammar book.
- 5 You drive a car unless you're over 17.
- 6 You look really tired. I think you take a day off.
- 7 Monday's a holiday so we go to school until Tuesday.
- 8 You ride a bicycle on the motorway – it's very dangerous.
- 9 Guests have breakfast any time between 7 and 9 a.m.
- 10 You sign your name in this book when you enter or leave the building.

- b 11.1 Listen and check. Then practise saying the sentences, paying attention to the weak forms.

**3** Here are the answers to some questions about rules. First decide if they are about a language class (LC), a library (LIB) or a sports club (SC). Then use the prompts to make complete questions.

- 1 You can borrow four books at a time. LIB  
How many books / allowed / borrow / at a time?  
How many books am I allowed to borrow at a time?
- 2 Yes, you can book two days in advance. \_\_\_\_  
Can / book / aerobics classes in advance?  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- 3 You're allowed to keep them for a week. \_\_\_\_  
How long / allowed / keep books?  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- 4 Yes, first you take a short written test, then there's an interview with a teacher. \_\_\_\_  
Have to / take a test?  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- 5 Yes, bring a passport-sized photo for your membership card. \_\_\_\_  
Should / bring a photo?  
\_\_\_\_\_?
- 6 Well, if you miss too many, you won't get a certificate at the end of the course. \_\_\_\_  
How many classes / allowed / miss?  
\_\_\_\_\_?

## Pronunciation

### Modal verbs in connected speech

#### 4a 11.2 Modal verbs in connected speech.

- 1 You can't park there.
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_

b Listen again. Practise saying the sentences.

## Vocabulary

### Linking words

**5** Read the text and choose the correct linking words.



Nowadays, science has made it possible for a couple who can't have children to pay a woman to have their baby for them. These 'surrogate' mothers sign a contract promising to give the baby to the couple as soon as it is born, in return for a large sum of money. <sup>1</sup>**However** / **Also**, this business arrangement does not always work well in practice and, <sup>2</sup>**despite this / as a result**, there have been a number of 'horror stories' in the newspapers recently.

People have strong feelings on both sides. Some say that it is every woman's right to have a child. <sup>3</sup>**Although / What is more**, a surrogate mother can often save an unhappy marriage and make some money for herself. <sup>4</sup>**Therefore / Despite this**, many people are against this practice. They say that <sup>5</sup>**although / besides** they understand the heartache of a childless woman, having a baby is not an automatic right. They feel the whole thing is completely unnatural and <sup>6</sup>**for this reason / also** should not be allowed. <sup>7</sup>**Besides / However**, they ask what will happen to the child when he or she is old enough to know the truth. This could have a terrible effect on their mental and emotional development. I feel that this last point is particularly important and, <sup>8</sup>**therefore / what is more**, I tend to agree that surrogacy is wrong, or at least that there should be stricter rules about it.

# Vocabulary

## Crime and punishment

### 6 Choose the correct answers.

- 1 The murderer was sentenced to life imprisonment.  
a murder    b murderer    c murdered
- 2 When they received the phone call, they knew their daughter had been \_\_\_\_\_.  
a kidnapping    b kidnapper    c kidnapped
- 3 The \_\_\_\_\_ took place at 3:15 p.m. in the Arnos Road branch of the bank.  
a robbery    b robber    c robbed
- 4 When the staff found the stolen camera in his bag, Dave was arrested for \_\_\_\_\_.  
a shoplifting    b shoplifter    c shoplifted
- 5 The old lady was \_\_\_\_\_ as she walked home on her own.  
a mugging    b mugger    c mugged
- 6 As they sorted through the mess, Judy realised the \_\_\_\_\_ had taken her favourite necklace.  
a burglary    b burglars    c burgled
- 7 When the police discovered his alibi was false, he was \_\_\_\_\_ for murder.  
a arrest    b arrested    c catch

## Language focus 2

### Obligation and permission in the past

### 7 Paolo has just finished his military service abroad and is talking about the rules and regulations in the army. Put the sentences into the past.

- 1 I have to get up at 5:30 a.m.  
I had to get up at 5:30 a.m.
- 2 I must clean my boots everyday.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 I'm not allowed to have long hair.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 I can't email home.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 We can watch a movie every Saturday evening.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 We are allowed go into town once a month.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 I don't have to pay for my meals.  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 8 Put the words in the correct order to make conversations. The first word is underlined.

A A: exam / to / calculator / Were / a / allowed / the / take / into / you ?

1 Were you allowed to take a calculator into the exam?

B: weren't / No / we

2 \_\_\_\_\_  
A: did / answer / many / have / How / questions / to / you ?

3 \_\_\_\_\_  
B: three / We / do / in / had / hours / twenty / to  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

B A: up / allowed / you / late / to / Were / stay ?

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
B: campfire / we / by / midnight / Yeah / until / sit / the / could

2 \_\_\_\_\_  
A: get / early / you / up / Did / to / have ?

3 \_\_\_\_\_  
B: to / nine / we / No / up / didn't / until / get / have  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

C A: Australia / a / Did / have / Francoise / time / in / good ?

1 \_\_\_\_\_  
B: six / week / to / she / work / No / a / days / had  
2 \_\_\_\_\_

B: terrible / That's !

3 \_\_\_\_\_  
A: allowed / us / to / wasn't / she / phone / And  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

### 9 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

must                mustn't (x2)                have to  
don't have to (x2)                had to                didn't have to

1 You mustn't use your mobile phone in the library.

2 It's free to get in: you \_\_\_\_\_ pay.

3 I missed my train and I \_\_\_\_\_ wait half an hour for the next one.

4 It's not a direct flight to New Zealand: you \_\_\_\_\_ change planes at Bangkok.

5 There were only two people in front of me in the queue so I \_\_\_\_\_ wait long.

6 Don't cry, Jessica – you \_\_\_\_\_ play with Jon if you don't want to.

7 You \_\_\_\_\_ walk on the railway line.

8 I \_\_\_\_\_ remember to post this letter.

## Listen and read

### Children sue parents

**10a** 11.3 Listen to and read the four newspaper stories and answer the questions.

1 Who wanted separation from their parents?

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2 Who did not like the way their child looked?

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3 Who liked the way their child looked?

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4 Who had an accident?

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5 Who was afraid of one of their parents?

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6 Who was not in control of their own money?

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7 Who had a famous son or daughter?

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8 Who was successful in suing their parents?

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b Match the numbers with the things they refer to.

1 5

2 1,000

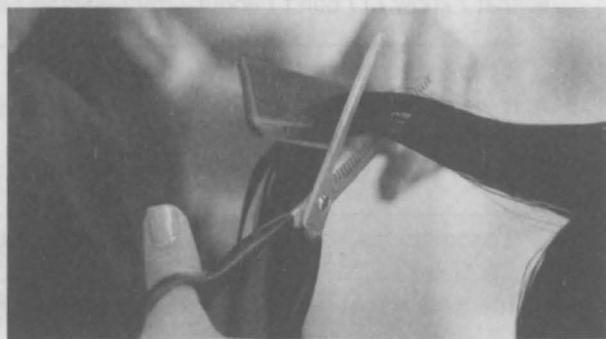
3 2

4 15

5 1996

- a the number of years the father had been telling the child to do something
- b the age the child was when he sued
- c the number of jars of cookies
- d the year the child left home
- e the amount paid for damages

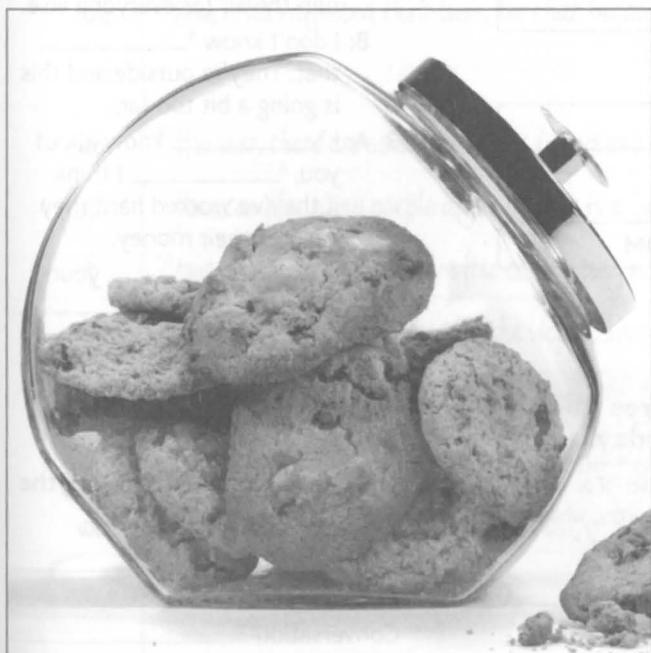
1 When 15-year-old Mario Silva refused to cut his hair because he wanted to look like his favourite film star, his father pulled out a gun and threatened to shoot him. 'My husband had been telling Mario to get his hair cut for the last two years and they had an argument,' said his wife. Fernando Silva was arrested and will appear in court next week. Meanwhile Mario has decided to sue him and to ask to be formally separated from his parents. 'I don't feel safe in the house anymore,' he told our reporter.



2 A Jamaican woman sued her parents after falling down the stairs of their home during a visit. Beatrice, who was in her early 20s, said that her parents had been negligent because they 'failed to look after the carpet on the stairs.' As a result of the fall, she suffered serious and permanent injuries when she tripped over the carpet in August 2002. She was awarded \$1,000 in damages at a court in Kingston.

3 In 1996, 17-year-old Olympic gold medallist Dominique Moceneau left home and asked to become a legal adult and to be in control of her own money. She said that her father, Dumitru Moceneau, had taken all her winnings and left her with no money and that her parents had robbed her of her childhood by pushing her so hard to become a gymnast. After hearing her complaints, a Texan court granted her independence from her parents.

4 A Canadian actress is suing her parents for making her fat. Tina Stowe, a well-known TV star in Canada, says that her mother, Lisa, kept five jars of cookies in the house in places where a child could easily find them and used to make the situation worse by telling her she was prettier than the other girls in her school. Stowe has said that her mother should have married a more suitable partner, preferably someone of a slimmer build. Stowe will appear in court next month.



## Language live

### Expressing and responding to opinions

#### 11a Put the words in the correct order to complete the conversations.

1 A: Children have an easy life these days.

B: say / that / do / why / you ?

Why do you say that?

2 A: People who get caught shoplifting should be sent to prison.

B: that / know / I / don't / about / my / opinion / In

it depends on what they steal.

3 A: It seems to me that people who come from broken families usually become criminals.

B: Well, / your / take / I / point

It's sometimes true, but / honest / be / really / to / agree / I / don't

There are lots of examples where the opposite is true.

4 A: I think he's innocent.

B: mean / do / What / you ?

He was caught on camera!

5 A: In my opinion, prison never works as a punishment.

B: It never works?

remember / to / You / have / that

in some cases it's the only option to protect the public.

6 A: What do you think about this new law on immigration?

B: you / I / know / about / don't / I / but / think

it's a bit harsh.

#### b 11.4 Listen and check. Practise saying the phrases.

#### 12a Match the newspaper headlines 1–3 with extracts A–C.

1

SMOKING TO BE BANNED IN PUBLIC PARKS

2

TAX INCREASES FOR THE WEALTHY

3

CELEBRITY SAYS PRESS HAS TOO MUCH FREEDOM

A

The government is to announce a range of measures to increase tax rates for the wealthiest 20 percent today.

Speaking at a press conference, new Minister of Finance Jerry Holdwell said, "For too long the wealthiest 20 percent have avoided paying more tax in this country, while the poorest members of society find it difficult to meet their everyday living costs."

B

#### UPDATE

Daffyd Evans, the Welsh singer, is the latest celebrity to speak out over the tabloid press, following the recent privacy scandals involving several UK newspapers. Speaking in an interview for a music programme, he said, "Although I agree with freedom of the press, when 'journalists' sit in a car outside my house watching me, and I have to keep my curtains closed, I think freedom has gone too far."

C

#### NEWS

Life is about to get even more difficult for smokers in New York, after Ed O'Brien, current mayor of New York, has announced a new municipal law to ban smoking in public parks. Anti-smoking campaigners have welcomed the law, saying it will allow families to enjoy nature in a clean, smoke-free environment.

#### b Use the words in the box to complete the conversations.

to don't honest In but  
about take mean

1 A: You have <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to remember that it's a journalist's job to uncover people's secrets.

B: What do you <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_? Surely their stories should be in the public interest?

2 A: <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ my opinion this is an excellent idea. They just ruin the air for everyone else.

B: I don't know <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that. They're outside and this is going a bit too far.

3 A: I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ know about you, <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ I think if they've worked hard they deserve their money.

B: Well, I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ your point but to be <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ I don't really agree. These people are just born into money.

#### c Match each conversation with the news stories in exercise 12a.

- Conversation 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Conversation 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Conversation 3: \_\_\_\_\_

## Writing

### Checking for mistakes

**13** Here is an opinion essay on restorative justice. The teacher has marked the mistakes using the following code. Look at the code and correct the mistakes.

^ for a missing word  
 sp for spelling  
 wo for word order  
 vf for verb form  
 ww for wrong word

### Restorative justice should be used more often as a form of punishment. Discuss.

sp <sup>violent</sup> <sup>1</sup> Restorative justice is a form of punishment for certain crimes (usually violent crimes or theft),  
 vf <sup>2</sup> where the victim has the opportunity met the criminal who committed the crime, and explain the effect  
 wo <sup>3</sup> that it had on them. It is many used in exchange for shorter prison sentences,  
 ^ <sup>4</sup> and some people argue that should be used more often as it forces the criminals to face up to the effects  
 vf <sup>5</sup> of what they doing. In my opinion, it is an effective punishment which should be used more often.

sp <sup>6</sup> Firstly, in the few cases where it has been used so far, it has a proven success rate.  
 ^ <sup>7</sup> Most criminals have taken part in the process do not return to crime when they are released from  
 wo <sup>8</sup> prison. More is what, it gives the victims a chance to explain how they felt when the crime happened and  
 wo <sup>9</sup> how it has affected their lives. For that because, the victim can actually see justice being done.

wo <sup>10</sup> However, there are some arguments important against more common use of restorative justice.  
 sp <sup>11</sup> For example, many poeple argue that it is a 'soft' option, and that criminals only have to have one or  
 vf <sup>12</sup> two meetings then they are free committing more crimes. They also argue that it creates  
 sp <sup>13</sup> unneccesary further stress for the victim, since they have to face up to the person who caused them pain.

^ <sup>14</sup> Despite this, I strongly believe that in most cases, restorative justice a highly effective punishment in  
 wo <sup>15</sup> preventing criminals for repeating their crimes. I am therefore convinced that it should be used more often.

# 12

## YOUR CHOICE

### Language focus 1

#### *could have, should have, would have*

- 1 Look at pictures A–F and match them with captions 1–6 below.

- 1 'Oh well, they wouldn't have had room for my luggage, anyway.'
- 2 'What do you mean, you gave him your sweets? I'd have hit him.'
- 3 'Darling, you could have hurt yourself.'
- 4 'Oh well, it's not too bad – we could have lost everything.'
- 5 'I knew I shouldn't have gone to that hairdresser.'
- 6 'You should have told me your boss was a vegetarian.'



- 2 Rewrite the sentences so that they have the same meaning, using *could have*.

1 Perhaps Kate's forgotten that we invited her.

Kate could have forgotten that we invited her.

2 It's possible that Elena ate your sandwich.

Elena \_\_\_\_\_

3 Maybe you left your wallet in the bank.

You \_\_\_\_\_

4 Jason may have caught an earlier train.

Jason \_\_\_\_\_

5 Maybe they went to the wrong place to meet us.

They \_\_\_\_\_

6 It's possible that I was out when you called.

I \_\_\_\_\_

7 Dave might have got stuck in traffic.

Dave \_\_\_\_\_

8 Perhaps you left the caps lock key on.

You \_\_\_\_\_

- 3 What would you say in these situations? Complete the sentences with *should(n't) have*, and the verbs in brackets.

1 You left your car in a car park without buying a ticket. You have to pay a €50 fine.

I \_\_\_\_\_ should have bought a ticket \_\_\_\_\_ (buy)

2 You told your best friend Anna a secret. She told your boyfriend Tom.

You \_\_\_\_\_ (tell)

3 You've been waiting one hour for a bus because you thought a taxi was too expensive.

We \_\_\_\_\_ (take)

4 Your colleague has made a decision without discussing something with you first.

You \_\_\_\_\_ (discuss)

5 Your friend's laptop was stolen from his car.

He \_\_\_\_\_ (leave)

6 You cooked steak for a dinner party, but nobody told you that Gerard was a vegetarian.

Someone \_\_\_\_\_ (tell)

7 You stayed out really late last night, and now you're late for work.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (stay)

8 Your friend didn't study for an exam, and he failed.

He \_\_\_\_\_

4 Complete the sentences about your life.

- 4 Imagine you are alive 100 years ago. Make sentences about your life, using *would(n't) have*.

- 1 I wouldn't have had a computer.  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
5 \_\_\_\_\_  
6 \_\_\_\_\_  
7 \_\_\_\_\_  
8 \_\_\_\_\_

5 Correct the mistake in each sentence below.

- 1 Why didn't you tell me about her problem?  
*have said*  
I wouldn't ^say what I did.
- 2 You shouldn't taken her book without asking first.
- 3 They still haven't confirmed delivery. We could have sent it to the wrong address?
- 4 Rio really shouldn't have gived up football. He was so talented.
- 5 I wouldn't have stop to break up the fight like Mike did. It was too dangerous.
- 6 Fatih and Vera could have known about the party, or they would have come.
- 7 I know I should have to call you sooner, but I've been so busy.
- 8 Thanks for all your help, I could have done it without you.
- 9 In your position, I would backed up my files first.
- 10 The doctor should have tell you sooner.

6 Complete the sentences with a phrase from the box and the correct form of the verb in brackets.

could have (x2)    couldn't have    should have (x2)    shouldn't have  
would have (x2)    wouldn't have

- 1 Oh no, I've forgotten Marcel's address. I knew I should have written (write) it down.
- 2 Why didn't you buy them that picture? I'm sure they \_\_\_\_\_ (like) it.
- 3 We did our best to catch the train: we \_\_\_\_\_ (run) any faster.
- 4 You \_\_\_\_\_ (listen) to Paul. You know he has some stupid ideas.
- 5 The room was a terrible mess when the men had finished painting it. I \_\_\_\_\_ (do) it myself.
- 6 Look where you're going – we were really close to that car. We \_\_\_\_\_ (have) an accident.
- 7 You were right not to tell her the truth about Brian: she \_\_\_\_\_ (believe) you, anyway.
- 8 Rupert \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a great pianist, but he didn't practise enough.
- 9 I like Kristin's new motorbike, but I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a bigger one.



## Pronunciation

### Past modal forms in connected speech

7a 12.1 Listen to these sentences and choose the phrase you hear.

- 1 You **should read / should have read** the instructions first.
- 2 We **could walk / could have walked** to the party.
- 3 The hotel doesn't look very nice in the photos. I **wouldn't stay / wouldn't have stayed** there.
- 4 You **could invite / could have invited** Sarah to your party.
- 5 I think we're lost. We **shouldn't turn / shouldn't have turned** left at the traffic lights.
- 6 That computer was so cheap. Why didn't you buy it? **I'd buy / I would have bought** two!

b Listen again. Practise saying the sentences.

## Language focus 2

### Imaginary situations in the past with if

8 Match the sentence beginnings in A with the endings in B.

A

- 1 If I hadn't forgotten my passport
- 2 If Sara and I had stayed longer in Paris
- 3 If we'd booked our theatre tickets in advance
- 4 If Greta hadn't bought a new coat
- 5 If Malcolm had studied more
- 6 If my uncle lived near the airport
- 7 If it hadn't rained
- 8 If you hadn't taken so long to get ready

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B

- a she'd have enough money to pay her rent.
- b I'd have stayed at his house on my way to Germany.
- c I'd be on the plane to Tunisia.
- d we wouldn't have had to queue outside.
- e we could have taken the children to the zoo.
- f we wouldn't have missed our bus.
- g he wouldn't have failed his exam.
- h we'd have gone up the Eiffel Tower.

9 Circle the correct option in each sentence.

- 1 If Marcelo **hadn't worked / didn't work** so hard when he was younger, he wouldn't be so successful now.
- 2 Jitesh and Maria **wouldn't have been / wouldn't be** getting divorced now if they'd tried a bit harder in the past.
- 3 If you'd left a bit earlier, you would **arrive / have arrived** on time.
- 4 We could **pick you up / have picked you up** on the way here if we'd known you were coming.
- 5 What would you be doing now if you **hadn't / didn't** become a teacher?
- 6 If we **hadn't missed / didn't miss** the plane we would be lying on the beach right now!
- 7 If the referee hadn't disallowed that goal, **we would have won / would win** the game last night.
- 8 The film would have been more successful if they **had cast / cast** more famous actors.
- 9 If you **didn't walk / hadn't walked** into the café at that moment, we would never have met.
- 10 Where would you **be / have been** now if you hadn't moved here?



**10a** Read the following newspaper article and answer the questions.

1 Why did Prasad run away from home?

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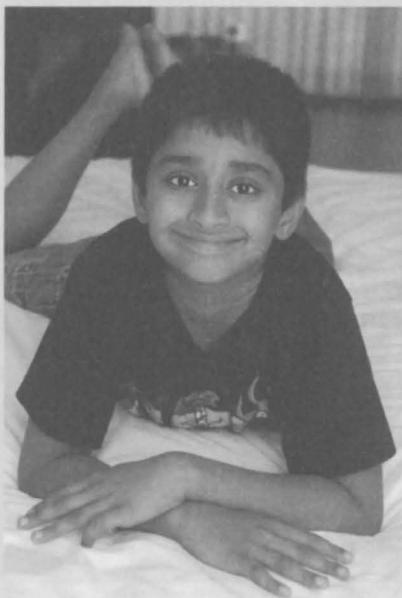
2 What did his family think had happened to him?

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## A BRIGHT SPARK



The family of an Indian boy who disappeared from home two years ago were amazed to see him on TV receiving a national award.

Prasad Akkonan's relatives had started to think the boy must be dead when they saw him winning the award for being top scorer in his exam.

Prasad ran away from home 'to become something in life' after his family forced him to enrol in an electrician's course against his wishes.

He went to Bombay and then to Nangpur where he worked as a waiter at a tea stall during the day, and studied at night. His family had no idea what had happened to him until they saw him receiving his award for scoring 86.5 percent, the highest amongst millions of students in his Higher Secondary Exam.

**b** Use the prompts to make sentences about the story.

1 If / he / not / decide / 'become something in life' / he / not / run away.

If he hadn't decided to 'become something in life', he wouldn't have run away.

2 If / he / not / run away / he / do / an electrician's course.

3 If / he / stay / at home / he / be / an electrician now.

4 He / not / have / enough money to study / if / he / not / work / as a waiter.

5 If / he / write / to his parents / they / not / think / he was dead.

6 If / they / not / see / the programme / they / still / think / he was dead.

7 He / not / have / score / 86.5 percent / if / he / not / work hard.

8 If / he / not / be / very clever / he / not / won / the award.

## Vocabulary

### Problems and solutions

**11** Match sentences 1–8 with the endings a–h.

1 When he started getting headaches after reading,

c

2 We need to make a decision.

3 I wish I had someone sympathetic

4 You can try and ignore the problem all you want,

5 Abi decided to trust her intuition and

6 Tom is the calmest person I know.

7 Astrid was losing sleep over her problem,

8 I'm sick of this. We need to work together and

a but it won't go away by itself.

b so she decided to talk it over with her mother.

c Marco realised he had a problem with his eyes.

d sort it out once and for all.

e who understood my concerns.

f Do you want to go out or stay in tonight?

g tell Paul the relationship was over.

h It's almost as if he doesn't have a care in the world.

## Listen and read

### The greatest romantic films of all time

12a 12.2 Listen and read about three films and match each with its title.

1 Doctor Zhivago \_\_\_\_\_

2 Casablanca \_\_\_\_\_

3 Titanic \_\_\_\_\_

b Listen and read again and answer the questions.

1 Where does each film take place?

a \_\_\_\_\_

b \_\_\_\_\_

c \_\_\_\_\_

2 Each film is about three people. Who are they?

a \_\_\_\_\_

b \_\_\_\_\_

c \_\_\_\_\_

3 Is the ending happy or sad or both?

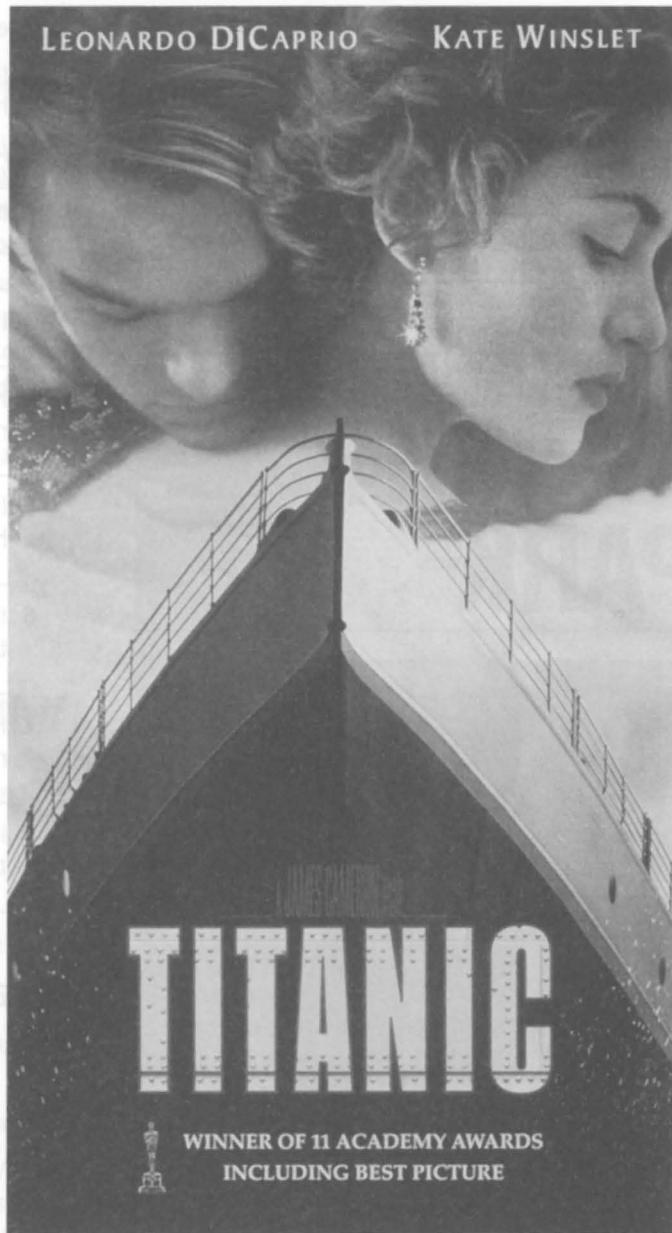
a \_\_\_\_\_

b \_\_\_\_\_

c \_\_\_\_\_

A

One of the most beloved of American films, this is a classic story of a love triangle between two men and one woman. It is the story of Rick Blaine (Humphrey Bogart) who runs a nightclub in a town in Morocco during World War II. Rick's café has become a place where people can get illegal papers to help them to escape from Europe to the USA. One day, to Rick's horror, Ilsa (Ingrid Bergman) walks through the door of his café ('Of all the gin joints in all the towns in all the world, she walks into mine'). Rick and Ilsa were lovers in Paris before the war but he thinks that she left him. Their romantic feelings soon return but Rick and Ilsa must face a painful choice: should Ilsa go to the USA with her husband, Victor (an important war hero who needs her support) or should she stay with Rick, the love of her life? In the end Bogart makes the decision for her and does the hardest thing for any man in love. He lets her go, in one of the most famous goodbye scenes ever recorded on film, as he wipes away her tears and says: 'Here's looking at you kid.'



B

The romance in this film is tragic because it is so intense and lasts for such a short time. And because it is only a small part of a terrible and huge drama. A voyage on a ship going to New York brings together Rose, a high-class 17-year-old girl, and a third-class passenger. Everyone who has seen this movie remembers Kate Winslet and Leonardo Di Caprio together at the bow of the ship, the wind blowing in their hair and their hearts full of hope ('Jack, I'm flying!'). She thinks her biggest problem is to decide whether to marry her rich fiancé or to leave him for her new love. We know that in the next three hours they will both face terrible danger and that he will have to die so that she can live.

C

The music is unforgettable, the photography is extraordinary and the romance is moving. Against the background of the Russian Revolution, this is the story of a doctor who is in love with two women, one of them his wife and the other his lover (Lara). Omar Sharif and Julie Christie play the lovers who are separated and then brought back together again by war and destiny. Everyone suffers in this powerful but tiny human story and also in the bigger story of the events of the Revolution. The film is about the choices people have to make between love and duty to their family and to their country. Eventually, Lara and the doctor decide to part but the ending is not completely sad. Many years later we see that their daughter has survived and the future for her looks more hopeful.

## Writing

### A letter to sort out a problem

- 13a** Lucy is talking to her friend Anya about a problem. Complete her conversation with the words in the box.

booked received booking sent dates  
paid write heard

- A: Hi Lucy, how are things with you?  
 L: Oh, hi Anya, good to see you. To be honest I'm a bit worried at the moment.  
 A: Why's that?  
 L: Well I <sup>1</sup> booked a flight to Mexico City on the internet the other week, it was just the kind of thing I was looking for. I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ by credit card and <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the tickets a few days later.  
 A: So what was the problem?  
 L: When I looked at the tickets, the <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ were wrong! I checked my <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ and the travel agent had made a mistake.  
 A: Oh no! Did you contact them?  
 L: Yes, of course. I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the tickets straight back, but that was nearly two weeks ago and I haven't <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ anything back yet.  
 A: Well I think you should <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to them. They might pay more attention if it's written down.  
 L: OK, thanks Anya. I'll do that then.

- b** Lucy has written a letter to sort out the problem. Read the letter and put the sentences a–h in the correct order.

44 Barn Road  
 Nottingham, NS4  
 29th May  
 The Manager Eurotrips Travel Agents

Dear Sir / Madam,

a A week later, I received my credit card receipt and the ticket, but unfortunately the dates were wrong.

b That was ten days ago, and I've heard nothing from you since.

c You booked me onto a flight costing €975, which I paid for by credit card.

d I look forward to hearing from you.

- c** Write a letter to sort out the problem below. Show your letter to your teacher.

Three weeks ago, you booked a four-week course at the Best Language School, 354 Liffey Road, Dublin DN6. A week ago, you had not received a receipt or confirmation of your place on the course. You phoned the school and left a message on the answering machine, but you have still not heard anything.

Before you write the letter, decide:

- how many hours a day your course is.
- how you paid for the course (credit card / bank transfer).
- the dates of your course.

e As you can imagine, I am very concerned about this because I need to make other arrangements for my trip, which I cannot do until the dates are confirmed.

f Several weeks ago I telephoned your office to book a return flight to Mexico City, leaving on 8th July and returning 27th July.

g I would therefore be grateful if you would look into this matter urgently.

h I immediately returned the ticket by registered post, with a note explaining the problem.

Yours faithfully,  
 L Humphries

# Audio script

## UNIT 1 RECORDING 1

- 1 A: Do you like our new teacher?  
B: Yes, I do.  
2 A: Have you got the time?  
B: No, I haven't.  
3 A: Is it cold outside today?  
B: No, it isn't.  
4 A: Did you have a good holiday?  
B: Yes, I did.  
5 A: Was there a lot of traffic on the roads this morning?  
B: Yes, there was.  
6 A: Are your neighbours nice?  
B: Yes, they are.  
7 A: Were you at the football match on Saturday?  
B: Yes, I was.  
8 A: Has your brother got a girlfriend?  
B: No, he hasn't.  
9 A: Does it take long to do this exercise?  
B: No, it doesn't.  
10 A: Was the film good?  
B: No, it wasn't.

## UNIT 1 RECORDING 2

- 1 Where exactly do you live?  
2 How do you spell your name?  
3 Have you got any brothers and sisters?  
4 No, I haven't.  
5 Which one would you like?  
6 Does your mother speak English?  
7 Yes, actually she does.  
8 How was your weekend?  
9 What's your date of birth?  
10 What time do you usually get up in the morning?

## UNIT 1 RECORDING 3

### Charlotte from Bristol

My 'hero' at the moment is Ricky. We work together. I was thinking of leaving the place where I work because of our horrible new boss. He's always in a bad mood and he never has a good word to say to anyone. He also picks on young female members of staff. There's a girl called Kimberley who's terrified of him. Or at least she was. When Ricky joined us, everything changed.

First he covered for me when I was late back from lunch by telling the boss that I was downstairs in the photocopying room. Then, a couple of days later, the boss was standing at Kimberley's desk, shouting at her, telling her she was lazy and would have to stay late to finish her work ... Anyway, Ricky marched straight up to him and told him he was a pathetic coward for talking to his staff like that. Well, the boss was stunned to silence – he just walked off without saying another word and he's left us alone since then.

### Dan from Newcastle

I'm writing to tell you about my niece, Mary. She's only seven and she's in hospital at the moment. She was in a bad car accident two weeks ago and she broke both her legs. She's had one operation and now she's waiting for another, then she'll have to be in a wheelchair for quite a while. Anyway, I am constantly amazed by this little girl's courage. She never cries when she has an injection, and very rarely complains about the considerable pain that she must be in. When I go in to visit her she always has a smile for me, and last time I went she was comforting another girl who was upset because her parents couldn't come and visit her. I've also noticed that she shares all the chocolates and toys that people have given her with the other children in her ward. I don't know how many adults would be as generous as that!

### Annette from Leeds

I'm hoping that by writing to you, I might be able to get in touch with my 'hero' again. I don't know him – I don't even know his name – but what he did was unbelievably kind and honest. I went shopping at my local supermarket last Friday, and I met an old friend at the checkout desk. We chatted for a while, then I loaded up the car and came home. It was only then that I realised I'd lost my purse: I thought maybe I'd dropped it in the car park. I started to panic when I also remembered that I had quite a lot of money in it. Then someone knocked at the door and it was a complete stranger, holding out my purse! He said he was in the queue behind me at the supermarket checkout and that's where he found my purse. He got my address from my driving licence. I was so grateful, but I didn't know what to say. Anyway, he just walked off, and I haven't been able to thank him properly.

## UNIT 1 RECORDING 4

- 1 A: I'm working in advertising at the moment.  
B: Are you? That sounds interesting.  
2 A: I don't get on very well with my brother.  
B: Don't you? Why's that then?  
3 A: I've never seen the sea.  
B: Haven't you? That's amazing!  
4 A: We once shared a flat together.  
B: Did you? When was that?  
5 A: I'm thinking of going to Spain this year.  
B: Are you? Where exactly?  
6 A: Our class was really interesting today.  
B: Was it? What did you do?  
7 A: Annika went skiing last month.  
B: Did she? That sounds fun!  
8 A: Dave and I both have the same surname.  
B: Do you? What a coincidence!

## UNIT 2 RECORDING 1

- 1 It happened a long time ago.  
2 We stopped for lunch.  
3 He travelled a long way.  
4 It looked strange.  
5 She reminded me to lock the car.  
6 We visited some old friends.  
7 I phoned you this morning.  
8 He changed his name.  
9 We practised our song.  
10 They opened their presents.  
11 The weather improved and we went out.  
12 We received a lot of emails.  
13 They repeated the news at ten o'clock.  
14 I answered all the questions.

## UNIT 2 RECORDING 2

- 1 I used to believe that countries really had their names written across them and that when you reached a border there would be red dotted lines on the ground.  
2 I used to think that the trails that aeroplanes leave across the sky are created by the pilots leaning out of the windows holding a piece of chalk, so they know where they've been. That's what I was told, anyway.  
3 I used to have problems when I was trying to learn how to read a real clock. My theory was that if an hour is longer than a minute, then the long hand was the hour and the short hand was for minutes. I was always late coming home ... or really early.  
4 I remember I used to be very scared of swallowing seeds when I was small. Once when I swallowed a lemon pip, I refused to open my mouth in the morning because I thought that the branches of the lemon tree that had grown in the night would come out.  
5 When I was about six or seven years old, I used to believe that a little penguin lived in my refrigerator and his job was to turn the interior light on and off. I used to sit and open the fridge repeatedly, trying to catch him doing it.  
6 For some reason, I used to think that there was a big red button in the middle of the president's desk, and if he pressed it the whole world would explode. I also thought that it wasn't very well guarded, and I always worried that he would accidentally lean on it.  
7 One time when I was about to pour a drink from a bottle of diet coke, my sister said 'You know, diet coke turns you into a skeleton if you're not fat.' I was terrified. Unfortunately for me, her lie worked and I didn't drink any diet drinks until I was in my teens.  
8 When I was a child, I couldn't understand how a radio made in Japan could play songs in Spanish and English. If they are made in Japan, they should just be able to play Japanese songs.  
9 During my first few years at school, I kept hearing that 'teachers have eyes in the back of their heads' so I thought that when someone became a teacher, they had to have an operation to get an extra set of eyes! I also wondered why a lot of lady teachers had long hair. What's the point of having eyes in the back of your head if you keep covering them up?

- 10 I used to believe (and still do actually!) that animals could watch TV and understand what they were seeing. I had a rabbit that just sat near the screen, staring at it while the show was on, but would look away or do something else when the ads came on. Now my two dogs act in the same way – they sit with me and watch TV, but then start to yawn and stretch during the ads – except dog food commercials, of course!

## UNIT 2 RECORDING 3

- 1 When you argue with a friend, do you forget about it quickly and stay friends?
- 2 Do you find it easy to remember people's names?
- 3 When did you last forget someone's birthday?
- 4 Is it easy to recognise your handwriting?
- 5 Do you remind people of anyone in your family?
- 6 How often do you forget your keys?
- 7 Can you remember your first day at school?
- 8 Do you usually recognise famous people when you see them on TV?
- 9 Do you remember meeting your best friend for the first time?
- 10 What sort of things do people have to remind you to do?

## UNIT 2 RECORDING 4

I was getting dressed when Guy phoned and said he was ill, so I decided to go by train. Unfortunately, while I was talking to Guy on the phone, the cat walked over my shirt so I had to iron another one. When I was walking to the station, it started snowing and I got cold. The train was delayed because it started snowing and when it finally arrived, I was frozen. I fell asleep while I was sitting on the train and missed my station. I got off at the next station and decided to walk to Kyra's house. When I reached the end of the road I realised I was lost. I didn't have my mobile so I looked for a phone box to call a taxi. When I arrived at Kyra's house, it was nearly midnight and people were going home!

## UNIT 3 RECORDING 1

### Unusual holidays

#### The Legendary Ghan Opal Safari

This is an extraordinary five-day journey from Adelaide on the south coast to Alice Springs, with an overnight tour to Coober Pedy, where 70 percent of the world's opals are mined. The Ghan is one of Australia's most luxurious trains: you will be travelling across a hostile landscape of desert, salt lakes, mountains and hot springs, but in true comfort whether you travel first class or not. At Coober Pedy, the temperatures are so extreme (up to 50°C during the day and 0°C at night) that all the houses are built underground as well as the mines. You stay at the Desert Cave Hotel, where the rooms have been cut out of the rock.

Tours are throughout the year and cost \$952.

#### The Final Frontier: 3,400 kph

Journey to the edge of space in a Russian Foxbat jetfighter. Arrive in Moscow and spend a day training and preparing for the flight. Then travel at more than twice the speed of sound, to over 24,000 metres above the Earth. Join those few free spirits that have already experienced this journey to the edge of space. At about 32 kilometres above the ground, the curvature of the earth comes dramatically into view. In the cockpit of a Russian MiG-25 military fighter plane, you're aboard the fastest combat aircraft in the world.

Limited dates. Contact us direct for details and cost.

#### Wilderness Husky Adventure

Head up to Lapland and experience the thrill of a husky sledging expedition. Drive your own team of huskies and stay overnight in a traditional wooden lodge, where you can relax and enjoy a traditional sauna. Drive a snowmobile, and with luck see the famous northern lights (aurora borealis), a wonderful natural display of green, red and purple lights in the sky.

Finish your trip by staying in the Icehotel – a hotel made completely of ice! This is a really unforgettable and unique short break.

December to April. Three nights for \$2,300.

### Storm Chasing

Witness spectacular explosive thunderstorms, lightning and tornadoes. Come with us as we follow the storm and get as close as we can, to give you the most exciting experience. Our vans are equipped with the latest storm-chasing technology, like our Weather Radar System, In-Motion Satellite Tracking System, and Lightning Display System that shows storms and lightning up to 500 kilometres away. We travel as far as necessary to see the tornadoes: the chase could take you anywhere in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas or Eastern Colorado.

May and June only.

Six days for \$2,400.

### Luxury Under Water

Jules' Undersea Lodge in Key Largo, Florida was originally built as La Chalupa mobile undersea laboratory, the largest and most technically advanced in the world. The Lodge has been completely remodelled to provide guests with luxury living space for up to six people. The interior has two living chambers, with bedrooms and dining and entertainment facilities.

Earn an Aquanaut certificate while enjoying unlimited diving for certified divers, a gourmet dinner prepared by a 'mer-chef', and a gourmet breakfast. If desired, guests may spend several days underwater without surfacing. You can even have your underwater wedding here.

All year round. From \$325 per night.

### White Shark Heaven, Mexico

The world's ultimate shark dive and fishing adventure is closer than you think. For divers, non-divers and tuna fishermen, discover Isla Guadalupe, one of the world's most exciting new Great White dive sites. Your cage dive and world-class tuna-fishing expedition takes you on a five-day live-aboard adventure to the newly discovered and beautiful Isla Guadalupe site off the coast of Mexico. You will have the opportunity to dive by day with Great White Sharks and fish for huge tuna in the hunting grounds of Great Whites and Mako sharks.

Seven-Day Live-Aboard Expeditions: October to November from \$2,380.

## UNIT 3 RECORDING 2

- 1 My city is a lot bigger than it was 20 years ago.
- 2 Peru is the third largest country in South America.
- 3 Australian English is similar to British English.
- 4 The shops here are not as good as in my country.
- 5 There were fewer cars here in the past.
- 6 My language is very different from English.

## UNIT 3 RECORDING 3

- 1 Do you know when the next bus goes to Central Park?
- 2 Could you tell me what time the train arrives?
- 3 Do you know how much it will cost?
- 4 Do you know where I have to change?
- 5 Could you tell me which platform the train to Paris goes from?
- 6 Do you know which bus this is?
- 7 Do you know when the next one is?
- 8 Could you tell me how I get to the airport?

## UNIT 4 RECORDING 1

It was my birthday yesterday: I'm 14 years old. Some people say I'm lucky but I don't think so. Imagine, in my life I've been to eight different schools and I've never stayed anywhere long enough to make a best friend. We've lived in so many different houses that I can't remember some of them. In fact, last year we moved house three times. It's true, there are some good things. I've met some really famous people and we've had some great holidays – I've been to Disneyland at least four times, but never with mum and dad. When I was young, I always had a nanny, and she took me on holiday. I'm staying with my aunt and uncle at the moment because my dad's making a film in France and my mum's gone to Los Angeles.

# Audio script

## UNIT 4 RECORDING 2

- 1 The film started ten minutes ago.
- 2 Did Stefano come to class yesterday?
- 3 I've done all the exercises in this unit so far.
- 4 She's only seen her brother twice in the last ten years.
- 5 I started learning English in 2010.
- 6 He's lived here since 2005.
- 7 What was your favourite game when you were young?

## UNIT 4 RECORDING 3

- 1 I've been looking for a flat for about a month.
- 2 They've played ten games since August.
- 3 She's only been here for a couple of minutes.
- 4 I've been writing this report since 11 o'clock.
- 5 I've been living in Canada since I was eight.
- 6 He went to Brazil a couple of months ago.

## UNIT 4 RECORDING 4

Johnny Depp      Born: June 9, 1963

Where: Owensboro, Kentucky

Rare among American actors, Depp has made a name for himself, effortlessly switching between mainstream Hollywood movies and more 'out of the ordinary' projects. Talking about his choice of roles, he once said: 'With any part you play, there is a certain amount of yourself in it. There has to be, otherwise it's not acting. It's lying.' Highlights of a richly diverse career include *Edward Scissorhands*, *Sleepy Hollow* and *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

Depp dropped out of school at 16 to concentrate on a career in music, playing the guitar (he played with more than 20 bands). However, his musical career failed to take off, and he found himself selling pens over the phone to pay the bills. His lucky break came when make-up artist Lori Allison, to whom he was briefly married, introduced him to Nicolas Cage. Although at first they did not like each other, they later became good friends and Cage persuaded him to try acting. Depp signed on with Cage's agent, and made his feature film debut in Wes Craven's horror film *Nightmare on Elm Street*, in which the character he played was eaten by his bed. After that, he had his first screen leading role in *Private Resort*.

Depp went on to achieve teen idol status in the TV series *21 Jump Street*, but after four seasons, he wanted out, with the hope of making the transition to the big screen. He starred in *Cry-Baby*, followed by Tim Burton's *Edward Scissorhands*, after which he went on to win considerable critical acclaim in *Ed Wood*, a reunion with Burton. Depp made his feature directorial debut with *The Brave* in 1997, a film he also co-wrote and starred in. Premiering at the Cannes Film Festival, the film also featured Marlon Brando, but earned mostly negative reviews, with most critics blaming its weak script. *Sleepy Hollow* teamed him with director Burton yet again, before he starred in Ted Demme's *Blow*, and appeared in the thriller *From Hell*, about Jack the Ripper.

Off screen, his good looks and 'bad boy' image (he was once arrested for attacking intrusive paparazzi with a wooden plank) have earned him a lot of media attention. He was voted one of the 50 most beautiful people in the world by *People* magazine in 1996. He has also had his fair share of celebrity romances. When his engagement to *Edward Scissorhands* co-star Winona Ryder ended, he had a tattoo (one of about 13), which said 'Winona Forever', altered by laser to get rid of the last two letters of her name. His relationship with model Kate Moss also ended abruptly in 1998, when he started dating French singer-actress Vanessa Paradis. They now have two children, Lily-Rose Melody and Jack.

More recent work has included *Pirates of the Caribbean* with Geoffrey Rush, *Once Upon A Time In Mexico*, *Alice in Wonderland* and *Dark Shadows*.

## UNIT 5 RECORDING 1

- |               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| 1 succeed     | 7 failure        |
| 2 experience  | 8 imagine        |
| 3 productive  | 9 experienced    |
| 4 profitable  | 10 improvement   |
| 5 distraction | 11 knowledgeable |
| 6 imagination | 12 know          |

## UNIT 5 RECORDING 2

### Gemma

I absolutely love music and listen to it all the time, even when I go jogging. Of course I have to look after my voice. I do exercises for three hours every day and I take lots of vitamin C. If I get a sore throat, I go straight to bed and rest. I usually try to get at least eight hours sleep a night anyway... As for my job – you really can't be shy in this kind of work, and you have to be very patient because sometimes we practise for hours before we get it right. When we're on tour, we work for several weeks with no breaks and you can get really tired. For relaxation, whenever I get a holiday, I go straight to a sunny beach, but the thing I enjoy the most is the great feeling you get from a live audience.

### Raoul

Well, my work's really quite stressful. Most people think you spend your day chopping vegetables and stirring soup, but it's not that simple. You have to be really careful with the food and keep everything very clean. The big problem is my boss – he shouts at me all the time – even, for example, if I forget to wash up one plate – I just can't do anything right sometimes. Actually, I'm hoping to find a new job soon because I don't get much time off. I'd like to have more weekends free, to see friends and to spend more time with my two little boys. You know, it's strange spending all day with food – when I go home I just want to eat a sandwich or a bag of chips and I'm terribly critical when I eat in a restaurant.

### Frank

Well, I first got interested because I loved doing them so much myself – I used to do at least one every day. I suppose I've got the right kind of mind really – I enjoy playing around with puzzles, especially word puzzles. So I sent a couple in to a local newspaper and was really surprised when they asked me for more. I suppose it is a strange way to spend your day – surrounded by dictionaries and books, but it's great that I can organise my own time, so I try to finish by two and then I can take my dog for a walk. It's very satisfying though – I love the feeling after I've thought of the final clue, and it all fits together. It's also really nice when people write to me and thank me.

Funny really, because I'm just doing what I like.

### Megan

People sometimes ask me if I forget which country I'm in or what time of day it is, but I guess I've got used to it. Last week I was in London and tomorrow I'm going to Hong Kong. I'm based in Bahrain, and I have a small apartment there, although I sometimes don't spend more than seven or eight days a month there. The thing I like most about my job is the contact with the people from different cultures. The idea that it's a glamorous job is a bit of a cliché – you spend a lot of your time handing out food and drinks and clearing up people's rubbish. I certainly don't feel very glamorous at two in the morning! Actually, there are a lot of things that we're trained to do that people don't realise – like fight fires, deliver babies, survive in the desert or ocean.

## UNIT 5 RECORDING 3

- A: Good afternoon, Henderson Insurance, Pam speaking. How can I help?  
B: Good afternoon, I'd like to speak to Mrs Leeson, please.  
A: Just a moment, I'll put you through.  
C: Hello, Mrs Leeson's office, Sandy speaking.  
B: Hello, could I speak to Mrs Leeson, please?  
C: I'll just see if she's available. Can I ask who's calling?  
B: Jo Spinelli.  
C: One moment, please. Hello, I'm afraid she's not in the office at the moment.  
B: OK, could you ask her to call me back?  
C: Certainly. Could I take your number?  
B: Yes, it's 4442 123 451.  
C: Right, I'll get her to call you back as soon as she comes in.  
B: Thank you. Goodbye.  
C: Goodbye.

## UNIT 6 RECORDING 1

- 1 She'd remembered to call her mum.
- 2 I found the one I was looking for.
- 3 I'd heard you were in town.
- 4 John had left the book in the car.
- 5 We thought about staying at home.
- 6 I'd booked the table for six o'clock.
- 7 He emailed me last week.
- 8 We'd met in a restaurant.

## UNIT 6 RECORDING 2

He told me his name was Sam Boyd, but I found out later that his real name is Michael Rackham.

He said he lived in Los Angeles and that he was an actor but actually he had never had a job or a permanent address. The worst thing was that he said he wasn't seeing anyone and that he had never been married, but the police records showed that he already has three 'wives'; one in Texas, one in Turkey and one in Austria. And as for the woman in Florida, he said that he had been engaged to; we found out later that he was talking about his sister who lives there! He told me he would be in the UK on business in March. He'll get an unwelcome surprise then. The police will be waiting for him!

## UNIT 6 RECORDING 3

- 1 Where are you from?
- 2 Are you here on holiday?
- 3 Are you travelling alone?
- 4 Did you pack your suitcases yourself?
- 5 Have you been to the USA before?
- 6 How long will you be in the country?
- 7 Do you know anyone in San Francisco?
- 8 Where are you going to stay?
- 9 How much money do you have with you?

## UNIT 6 RECORDING 4

### The top joke in the UK

A woman gets on a bus with her baby. The bus driver says, 'That's the ugliest baby I've ever seen!' The woman is furious. She says to a man sitting next to her, 'The driver was extremely rude to me.' The man says, 'Go and speak to him. Go ahead, I'll hold your monkey for you.'

### The top joke in Northern Ireland

A doctor says to his patient, 'I have bad news and worse news.' 'Oh dear, what's the bad news?' asks the patient. The doctor replies, 'You only have 24 hours to live.' 'That's terrible,' says the patient. 'How can the news possibly be worse?' The doctor replies, 'I've been trying to contact you since yesterday.'

### The top joke in Canada

When the space organisation NASA first started sending up astronauts they discovered ballpoint pens would not work in zero gravity. To solve the problem, NASA scientists spent ten years and \$12 billion to develop a pen that would write in zero gravity, upside down, under water, on all types of surface, and at temperatures ranging from below freezing to 300°C. The Russians used a pencil.

### The top joke in Germany

A general noticed one of his soldiers behaving strangely. The soldier used to pick up every piece of paper that he saw, look at it, and say, 'That's not it.' This went on for some time until the general arranged for a psychologist to see the man. The psychologist decided that the man was crazy and wrote a letter to say he should leave the army. The soldier picked it up, smiled and said, 'That's it!'

### The top joke in the world

Two New Jersey hunters are out in the woods when one of them falls down. He doesn't seem to be breathing and he looks very white. The other man takes out his phone and calls the emergency services. 'My friend is dead! What can I do?' The operator says, 'Calm down. I can help. First go and make sure he is dead.' There is a silence, then a shot is heard. Back on the phone, the man says, 'OK, what next?'

## UNIT 7 RECORDING 1

- A Well done Channel 10 for the brilliant series *City Mysteries*. The acting was amazing and the stories didn't try too hard – genuinely interesting without trying to be too shocking. I was so disappointed when it finished. Are there plans for a new series?
- B I'm rather confused about ABC's policy on not showing violence before 9 pm. I watched *The Precinct* at 8.30 p.m. last Thursday and was shocked at the amount of violence shown. I must say I'm quite annoyed with ABC for making my ten-year-old daughter sit through this.
- C I was really pleased when I saw that *Celebrity Spot* was back on SBS. I always look forward to the programme because it has such inspiring guests. However, last Friday's show was very disappointing – the interviewer asked such stupid questions and hardly gave Rihanna a chance to speak!

## UNIT 7 RECORDING 2

- 1 A: I bet Tessa was happy about her exam results.  
B: Oh yes, she was absolutely delighted.
- 2 A: I'm not going in – the water's freezing!  
B: Oh come on, it's not that cold.
- 3 A: You're not frightened of spiders, are you?  
B: Oh yes I am – absolutely terrified, in fact.
- 4 A: Have you seen the ridiculous outfit that Roberta's wearing?  
B: Oh yes, she does look a bit silly, doesn't she?
- 5 A: I thought there were some really hilarious moments in that film.  
B: Did you? I didn't think it was that funny.
- 6 A: And now to the sad news about Ernie Hope.  
B: Yes, his death will be a tragic loss for the entertainment industry.
- 7 A: I was astonished when Will told me about his divorce.  
B: I know, it was a surprise, wasn't it?
- 8 A: You look hot – do you want a cold drink?  
B: Yes, please, it's absolutely boiling outside.

## UNIT 7 RECORDING 3

1 terrified	excellent
2 astonished	awful
3 boiling	furious
4 exhausted	delighted
5 excellent	hilarious
6 awful	freezing
7 hilarious	ridiculous
8 terrible	furious

## UNIT 7 RECORDING 4

1

More of the King's top tunes and a follow up to last year's smash hit album *Elvis Number Ones*, released at a time when the King's popularity is at an all time high. Two tracks stand out from the norm: a curious remix of *Rubberneckin'*, and an unreleased version of *I'm a Routabout*. Both songs are enjoyable to listen to, but not strong enough to be hits.

The rest of the album sounds like many an Elvis compilation of the last two and a half decades, with plenty of old classics and fans' favourites. Some of the highlights which non-fans as well as fans may enjoy are: *Loving You*, *I Need Your Love Tonight*, *Bossa Nova Baby* (potential remix material here?), *Always On My Mind* and *Moody Blue*. *Moody Blue* is a very good song, although recorded at a time when Elvis was not in great health. I believe this could have been a big smash hit for Elvis if it had come along in 1970–73 when he may have had more energy to put into the song, rather than 1976–77.

If you don't already have a lot of the songs on this CD then this is for you, especially as the technical sound quality of the songs will be better than on previous releases.

# Audio script

2

This movie is far too short when you compare it to its predecessors, but in its 109 minutes you get more action than the first two movies combined, and you also get a great story.

The effects are second to none, which you expect with a Terminator movie and the pace starts at a blinding speed and never slows. There are some great moments of continuity from the first two movies and one or two cameos and returns of past characters. The movie is also not afraid to have its funny moments, such as Arnie walking into a nightclub naked on ladies' night in search of clothing. The scene also gives some light relief from the movie's otherwise somewhat negative feel as humanity rolls closer to impending disaster.

While I may sound a little unpopular, I rate this instalment higher than its predecessors: the director does a better job than Cameron could ever hope to do. This is a fantastic chase movie, even more so than T2 ever was, and with T4 already written, I am eager to see what will happen next in the saga. And no, I didn't miss Linda Hamilton as much as I thought I would: this movie has proved that it can do just as well, if not better, without her presence.

3

Until this summer, I have been guilty of writing off the Harry Potter books as 'mere children's books'. But after finally taking the time to read them, I realised what I have been missing all this time. Sure, they are kid-friendly, but they are witty, clever and can be enjoyed by even a college student like myself. And I am very pleased to say that they get better and better with each installment. *Order of the Phoenix* takes a distinctly dark tone that was hinted at in *Goblet of Fire*. Harry is not a young kid any more, and yes, he is angry a lot, but with everything that he has had to deal with, he has every right to be. There is, of course, Voldemort on the loose and the Ministry of Magic trying to cover it up (a source of political satire in this novel). There is also a much-hyped 'death of a central character'. I won't reveal who the unfortunate person is, but I was quite upset when Rowling killed him / her off. That is yet another testament to her genius, the fact that she makes you care so much about her characters.

I thoroughly enjoyed this book. Anyone with a sense of fun and imagination should. It may not be a literary masterpiece, but it doesn't need to be. It's just fun. And yes, it's long, but it moves so fast that you can hardly believe that there are nearly 800 pages!

## UNIT 7 RECORDING 5

- 1 A: I'm phoning to ask if you'd like to come over for dinner.  
B: That sounds great. What time shall I come?
- 2 A: I've got two tickets for *Rejection* at the cinema on Saturday. Would you like to come?  
B: I'm sorry I can't. It's my sister's birthday.
- 3 A: Great. Can you give me a ring when you get there?  
B: OK, will do.
- 4 A: Are you free later? Do you want to go for some food?  
B: Yeah, I'd love to!
- 5 A: What about meeting at Phil's flat first?  
B: OK, I'll see you there.
- 6 A: Are you free this evening?  
B: No, sorry ... I'm having dinner with Cheryl.

## UNIT 8 RECORDING 1

- 1 A: Is it all right if I close the window?  
B: Yes, go ahead.
- 2 A: Would you mind helping me with my suitcase?  
B: I'm sorry but I've got a bad back.
- 3 A: Could you pass the salt, please?  
B: Yes, here you are.
- 4 A: Would you bring us the bill, please?  
B: Certainly, sir.
- 5 A: Do you mind if I go now?  
B: No, that's fine. I think we've finished.
- 6 A: Would you mind getting me some milk?  
B: Of course not. How much do you need?
- 7 A: Could I possibly have a look at your newspaper?  
B: Of course.

- 8 A: Would you mind answering my phone while I'm out?  
B: I'm afraid I can't. I'm just going to a meeting.

## UNIT 8 RECORDING 2

- 1 Do you mind if I sit here?
- 2 Can we have the bill, please?
- 3 Could you open the window, please?
- 4 Is it all right to turn on the radio?
- 5 Excuse me, can you pass me my coat, please?
- 6 Would you mind lending me €5 until tomorrow?

## UNIT 8 RECORDING 3

- 1 A: I forgot to tell Jack about the meeting.  
B: Shall I phone him for you?
- 2 A: I'm really thirsty.  
B: I'll get you a drink.
- 3 A: Hello, IT Support? My printer isn't working.  
B: OK. I'll come over and have a look.
- 4 A: I think I'm going to miss my train.  
B: Don't worry, I'll take you to the station
- 5 A: This CD is great!  
B: I'll lend it to you if you want.
- 6 A: That old lady's having trouble with her bags.  
B: Shall I go over and help?
- 7 A: Can you give me some information about holidays in Greece?  
B: Certainly. I'll get you a brochure.
- 8 A: Sandra loves these sandals.  
B: Shall I buy her a pair for her birthday?

## UNIT 8 RECORDING 4

### Culture clash

In Africa, a famous food company tried to sell its baby food by advertising it with the picture of a baby on the label. They did not know that this particular country used labels only to show a picture of the food inside! When Pepsico used the slogan 'Come Alive With Pepsi' in Taiwan, they had no idea that it would be translated into Chinese as 'Pepsi brings your ancestors back from the dead.'

Misunderstandings such as these about language or about culture are sometimes comical but can also cause genuine hurt or anger. Business styles and customs vary widely in different countries and what is normal in one culture can be completely unacceptable in another. How well is your company prepared? Try this short test. Look at the following situations. What mistakes have been made?

- 1 You are in Paris on business. In a meeting it is very hot and you suggest to everyone that they take off their ties and roll up their sleeves.
- 2 A Japanese businessman asks, 'When do you want the report?' 'Yesterday!' answers the American businesswoman.
- 3 In an Arabic country, a group from a British company are invited to a dinner party. They all bring gifts and during the evening they continue to talk about their work.
- 4 A sales manager in Hong Kong is angry because his workers are always fifteen minutes late for work. He makes a new rule that they all must come on time.
- 5 A Spanish secretary receives an urgent request to email a report to the New York office before 2/3. She sends it on 1st March.
- 6 You are having a meal with Chinese colleagues in Nanjing. After the meal you use the hot towel to wipe your hands and your face.

How did you do? Did you spot the 'cultural clashes'? Well, in the first situation, French businessmen rarely take off their ties even if the weather is very hot. The idea of the American 'casual Friday' where the boss is called by his or her first name and people can wear jeans and trainers is a complete mystery to many other nationalities. In Germany, for example, colleagues call each other by their titles and surnames, (e.g. Herr, Doktor) in the workplace.

For many western countries, 'time is money' and good business equals fast business. However, in some cultures people consider that building good relationships with business partners is more important. They think in months and years and not days and hours and they find western executives impatient.

Socialising in different countries can be tricky. In Arabic countries, for example, people do not discuss business over meals. Giving gifts is another potential problem: in the UK most people take presents to a dinner party, but in many countries this is not polite because it suggests that you think the host is poor.

The Hong Kong story is true. The workers started coming on time but they also stopped exactly on time instead of working into the night as they used to do and left a great deal of work unfinished.

The Spanish secretary was a month late. She didn't realise that in America the month is written before the day, whereas in Europe the day comes first. Finally, in the Chinese restaurant it is bad manners to wipe your face with a towel. Chinese people use it only for their hands.

So how did you do? Are you culturally aware or do you need a course in cross-cultural relationships? Whatever you do, remember that your way is not the only way and it is important to respect other people's customs.

## UNIT 9 RECORDING 1

Yesterday I cleared up my house and I mean *really* cleared up my house. The room that gave the most results was my husband's 'office'. There I found: one right-footed walking boot, size 10 (he lost the other one somewhere); a garden badminton set, complete with rackets and a net (we decided to get fit last summer and played with it once); a set of *Star Wars* videos; and two small china cats someone gave me last birthday. I collected these and other 'finds', took them downstairs and logged on to [www.eBay.com](http://www.eBay.com): the answer to all our rubbish – or 'one person's junk is another person's treasure.'

What is eBay? The simple answer is that it is the world's most popular auction house. The website says, 'eBay's mission is to provide a global trading platform where practically anyone can trade practically anything' – yes, even one right-footed boot. People can sell and buy in a range of over 300 categories, including cars and other vehicles, movies and DVDs, sporting goods, collectibles, travel, tickets, musical instruments, real estate, clothes and shoes, jewellery – the list goes on and on.

The idea came from Peter Omidyar. Born in Paris, Omidyar, moved to Washington when he was still a child. At High School he became very interested in computer programming and after graduating from Tuft University in 1988, he worked for the next few years as a computer engineer. In his free time he started eBay as a kind of hobby, originally offering the service free by word of mouth. By 1996 there was so much traffic on the site that he had to upgrade and he began charging a fee to members. Joined by a friend, Peter Skoll, and in 1988 by his dynamic CEO, Meg Whitman, he has never looked back. Even in the great dot com crashes of the late 1990s, eBay went from strength to strength. It is now one of the ten most visited online shopping sites on the internet.

If you think about it, it's a perfect internet idea. It sells connections not goods, putting buyer and seller into contact with each other. All you have to do is take an e-photo, write a description, fill out a sales form and you're in business; the world is your marketplace. Oh, and of course for each item sold, eBay gets a percentage and that is a great deal of money. Everyday there are more than 16 million items listed on eBay and 80 percent of items are sold.

Some of the more bizarre items up for offer have been a piece of French toast, partially eaten by Justin Timberlake, advertising space on a man's head, a pair of used false teeth, and 'Nothing' (the seller said he would give the profits to a local university).

One week later, I am the proud possessor of a clean and tidy home and €110 in cash. Someone even bought the boot.

## UNIT 9 RECORDING 2

- 1 A leisure time activity is something which you enjoy doing in your free time.
- 2 A determined person is someone who knows what they want and works hard to get it.
- 3 The Jim twins were brothers whose lives were remarkably similar.
- 4 An archaeological site is a place where people have found important historical buildings or objects.
- 5 A brilliant film is one which people think is very good.
- 6 A confident person is someone who believes in their own ability to do something.

- 7 Kobe is the town in Japan where karaoke probably started.
- 8 A disappointing book is one which we expect to be better than it is.

## UNIT 9 RECORDING 3

- 1 A: Good morning, Patricia speaking. How can I help?  
B: Hello. I've got a problem with my tablet computer. I was working on a document this morning and it crashed three times.  
A: Have you tried restarting it?  
B: Yes, several times.  
A: OK, well I think the best thing to do is reinstall the software. First, you need to ...  
2 A: Good morning, Meccaphone, George speaking.  
B: Hi! I hope you can help. My touch-screen phone's gone dead.  
A: How long have you had it?  
B: A week.  
A: You probably need to recharge the battery.  
B: And another thing ... I can't access the apps I've downloaded.  
A: You need to access the downloads folder. Open 'settings' and scroll down the menu with your finger until you come to 'downloads'. Then touch the icon and they should be there.  
B: OK, thanks!
- 3 A: Good morning, Print Logistics. How can I help you?  
B: Morning. Our photocopier doesn't work. Every time we try to copy something, it breaks down and stops working.  
A: OK, switch it off at the wall, then unplug it.  
B: Hang on ... oh, right, I've done that.  
A: Hold down the 'print' button while you switch it back on. Can you see a menu?  
B: Yes, I see it.  
A: In the menu, press 'restart'. That should solve the problem.

## UNIT 9 RECORDING 4

Stress on the first part	Stress on both parts
laptop	digital camera
internet addict	personal trainer
dishwasher	electric cooker
bodyguard	personal computer
recycling bin	mobile phone
energy drink	
instruction manual	
washing machine	
games console	

## UNIT 9 RECORDING 5

- 1 A: I haven't got anything to wear.  
S: But you've got some really nice clothes.
- 2 A: I've got no friends.  
S: Come on ... you've got loads of friends.
- 3 A: I haven't got much money.  
S: You only need enough for a taxi.
- 4 A: There'll be too many people.  
S: Oh, but only a few people are coming.
- 5 A: I never have anything to say.  
S: Don't be silly. You've got plenty you could talk about.
- 6 A: I've got too much homework to do.  
S: You've got a couple of hours tomorrow when you could finish it.
- 7 A: There isn't enough time to get ready.  
S: There's lots of time – we don't need to be there until nine!

## UNIT 9 RECORDING 6

- 1 A: Can I help at all?  
B: No, thanks. I'm just looking.
- 2 A: How would you like to pay?  
B: By credit card, please.

# Audio script

- 3 A: Can I bring it back if it isn't right?  
B: Yes, that's fine. Just keep your receipt.
- 4 A: How did you get on with those?  
B: Yes, they were OK.
- 5 A: Do I have to pay for delivery?  
B: No, you don't. Orders over £50 are delivered free.
- 6 A: Have you got a product code?  
B: Yes, it's XU319.
- 7 A: Do you have this in a size 16?  
B: I'll have a look for you.
- 8 A: Is that including VAT?  
B: No, it's not.

## UNIT 10 RECORDING 1

- 1 sixteen percent
- 2 fifty thousand and twenty-five
- 3 one point five million
- 4 thirty degrees Celsius
- 5 one thousand four hundred and fifty square kilometres
- 6 a profit of twenty-one percent

## UNIT 10 RECORDING 2

- 1 A: I've never done any salsa dancing before.  
B: In that case, you may well find it best to take some lessons.
- 2 A: Melanie seems unhappy in her job.  
B: Yes. She may well leave the company soon.
- 3 A: How long have Jon and Sylvie been going out with each other?  
B: Almost a year now and they may well get married next year.
- 4 A: I am phoning to check my flight. It's BA 2517.  
B: Conditions are very poor at the moment and they may well cancel the flight.
- 5 A: When is your driving test?  
B: In two days' time. I feel OK about the practical but I may well fail the written exam.
- 6 A: It's very cold, isn't it? Have you seen the weather forecast today?  
B: Yes. It may well snow later.

## UNIT 10 RECORDING 3

- 1 A: Brazil are likely to win the World Cup. (may well)  
B: Brazil may well win the World Cup.
- 2 A: I'm sure we won't have time to do any sightseeing. (definitely)  
B: We definitely won't have time to do any sightseeing.
- 3 A: It'll probably rain before the end of the day. (likely)  
B: It's likely to rain before the end of the day.
- 4 A: Perhaps my friend Mari will be a famous actress one day. (could)  
B: My friend Mari could be a famous actress one day.
- 5 A: My boss is very unlikely to agree to the pay rise. (almost certainly)  
B: My boss almost certainly won't agree to the pay rise.
- 6 A: I think you'll recognise my sister when you see her. (probably)  
B: You'll probably recognise my sister when you see her.
- 7 A: We probably won't get back from the theatre before midnight. (likely)  
B: We aren't likely to get back from the theatre before midnight.
- 8 A: I'm sure that our teacher will give us a lot of homework for the weekend. (almost certainly)  
B: Our teacher will almost certainly give us a lot of homework for the weekend.

## UNIT 10 RECORDING 4

- A A: I can't decide whether to have the baby in hospital or not.  
B: Well, I'd go into hospital, especially as it's your first baby.  
A: Yes, you're probably right.  
B: Have you decided on a name yet?  
A: Yes – if it's a boy, we'll call him Tom, and if it's a girl, Sara.
- B A: Why aren't you going to your classes?  
B: Because they're so boring: I'd go if they were more interesting. And I always get bad marks.  
A: Well, that's not surprising: if you spent less time playing computer games and worked harder, you wouldn't have so many problems.

## UNIT 10 RECORDING 5

- 1 I'd move to Antarctica if ...
- 2 I'll go on holiday next summer if ...
- 3 I'll speak to my mother next week if ...
- 4 If I won the lottery, I'd ...
- 5 I'll go to bed early tonight if ...
- 6 I'd stop studying English if ...

## UNIT 10 RECORDING 6

Stuck on a desert island?

Post 1 Steve, USA

Hi everyone,

What would you miss most and least if you were stuck on a desert island? For me it would be the changing seasons, especially the fall in New England. Sure, it would be fantastic to have non-stop sun, but I'd miss the colours of the seasons. I guess this will sound stupid but I'd probably miss the rain too! I wouldn't miss getting up at six every day to go to work, though!

What about you?

Post 2 Tomas, Germany

Good question, Steve. I think I'd miss the pastries and different types of bread, and shopping at the local markets, and sausages, although I suppose I could try and make my own. So, yeah, the food. I'd miss the food most. What would I miss least? My mobile – I'd like to be completely uncontactable – at least for a little while.

Post 3 Paola, Italy

I would miss the company of people because I know I'd like to have someone to share experiences with. For instance, if there was a fantastic sunrise, I'd want someone to be there to enjoy it with me. I'm a sociable sort of person and I'd go mad on my own. And I definitely wouldn't miss junk mail – I hate coming home every evening and finding a pile of junk mail in my post box.

Post 4 Miko, Japan

Hi,

I would miss Manga cartoons, the internet and Japanese food, like nori, sushi and Japanese beef. I'd also miss TV shows and shopping for clothes ... and my two dogs. In fact, I'd miss everything.

Post 5 Roger, UK

I would miss my daily newspaper and listening to the news on the TV and radio. I'd feel very cut off if I didn't know what was happening in the world. If you gave me a radio, then I'd be perfectly happy to live on a desert island for the rest of my life. What I'd miss least would be traffic jams in the city, particularly my journey to work.

Post 6 Jayne, Canada

Why hasn't anyone mentioned their family? I'd be lost without my husband and two kids. They're the most important things for me. Maybe coffee, too. I can't get started in the morning without a cup of black coffee. I wouldn't miss doing the housework. Just think, no more cleaning or washing-up! And it'd be good to be able to relax as much as I wanted.

Post 7 Jaime, Mexico

It would have to be music. I couldn't live without my music! I wouldn't miss going to school at all or doing homework!

## UNIT 11 RECORDING 1

- 1 You have to leave your keys at reception when you go out of the hotel.
- 2 I think people should spend more time with their families and less time at work.
- 3 Passengers aren't allowed to walk around the plane when it is taking off.
- 4 Candidates are allowed to take a dictionary into the exam, but they can't take in a grammar book.
- 5 You can't drive a car unless you're over 17.
- 6 You look really tired. I think you ought to take a day off.
- 7 Monday's a holiday so we don't have to go to school until Tuesday.
- 8 You mustn't ride a bicycle on the motorway – it's very dangerous.
- 9 Guests can have breakfast any time between 7:00 and 9:00 a.m.

- 10 You must sign your name in this book when you enter or leave the building.

## UNIT 11 RECORDING 2

- 1 You can't park there.
- 2 Students mustn't arrive late.
- 3 You ought to talk to her about it.
- 4 We have to be there 30 minutes before it starts.
- 5 I'm not allowed to copy this text.
- 6 You shouldn't say things like that.
- 7 You don't have to wear jeans, but you can if you want to.
- 8 You can't use your phone in here.

## UNIT 11 RECORDING 3

- 1 When 15-year-old Mario Silva refused to cut his hair because he wanted to look like his favourite film star, his father pulled out a gun and threatened to shoot him. 'My husband had been telling Mario to get his hair cut for the last two years and they had an argument,' said his wife. Fernando Silva was arrested and will appear in court next week. Meanwhile, Mario has decided to sue him and to ask to be formally separated from his parents. 'I don't feel safe in the house anymore,' he told our reporter.
- 2 A Jamaican woman sued her parents after falling down the stairs of their home during a visit. Beatrice, who was in her early 20s, said that her parents had been negligent because they 'failed to look after the carpet on the stairs.' As a result of the fall, she suffered serious and permanent injuries when she tripped over the carpet in August 2002. She was awarded \$1,000 in damages at a court in Kingston.
- 3 In 1996, 17-year-old Olympic gold medallist Dominique Moceanu left home and asked to become a legal adult and to be in control of her own money. She said that her father, Dumitru Moceanu, had taken all her winnings and left her with no money and that her parents had robbed her of her childhood by pushing her so hard to become a gymnast. After hearing her complaints, a Texan court granted her independence from her parents.
- 4 A Canadian actress is suing her parents for making her fat. Tina Stowe, a well-known TV star in Canada, says that her mother, Lisa, kept five jars of cookies in the house in places where a child could easily find them and used to make the situation worse by telling her she was prettier than the other girls in her school. Stowe has said that her mother should have married a more suitable partner, preferably someone of a slimmer build. Stowe will appear in court next month.

## UNIT 11 RECORDING 4

- 1 A: Children have an easy life these days.  
B: Why do you say that?
- 2 A: People who get caught shoplifting should be sent to prison.  
B: I don't know about that. In my opinion it depends on what they steal.
- 3 A: It seems to me that people who come from broken families usually become criminals.  
B: Well, I take your point. It's sometimes true, but to be honest I don't really agree.  
There are lots of examples where the opposite is true.
- 4 A: I think he's innocent.  
B: What do you mean? They caught him on camera!
- 5 A: In my opinion, prison never works as a punishment.  
B: It never works? You have to remember that in some cases it's the only option to protect the public.
- 6 A: What do you think about this new law on immigration?  
B: I don't know about you, but I think it's a bit harsh.

## UNIT 12 RECORDING 1

- 1 You should have read the instructions first.
- 2 We could walk to the party.
- 3 The hotel doesn't look very nice in the photos. I wouldn't have stayed there.
- 4 You could have invited Sarah to your party.
- 5 I think we're lost. We shouldn't have turned left at the traffic lights.
- 6 That computer was so cheap. Why didn't you buy it? I would have

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