

## 1 Identity

What makes you you  
The gender gap  
Relationships  
Mistaken identity

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Recognising famous people  
Discussing what gives you your identity  
Discussing an ambiguous situation & photographs  
A telephone conversation  
**Anecdote:** talking about your job, home town or family

Writing about another student in the class

- People describing what gives them their identity
- Extracts from *Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus* by John Gray
- Song: *My Girl* by Madness
- Boyfriend & girlfriend arguing on the telephone
- A case of mistaken identity

- ⑥ Adverbials: types & position  
Phrasal verbs with objects
- ① Vocabulary of personal values  
Word building
- ② Getting angry

## 2 Taste

Food  
Restaurant reviews  
Good taste

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If you were a food ...  
Talking about food associations  
Discussing good taste  
**Game:** expanding sentences  
**Anecdote:** describing your favourite restaurant

Writing a restaurant review

- People talking about the food they associate with certain situations
- People describing food experiences abroad
- Article: a restaurant review
- Friends discussing good taste

- ⑥ Describing nouns  
Order of adjectives  
Test yourself: past tenses  
Fronting
- ① Taste & its collocations
- ② Expressing enthusiasm & reservations  
Expressions for agreeing & disagreeing

## 3 City

Cities of the world  
Danger in the city  
Boredom

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World city quiz  
Talking about towns & cities  
Discussing the dangers of cities  
Talking about boredom  
**Anecdote:** describing a city which made an impression on you

Writing a short newspaper story  
Writing a description of a famous town or city

- A radio show
- Friends discussing a newspaper article
- Extracts from guide books
- Information about Leicester Square
- Friends discussing the dangers of living in the city
- Poem: *Stealing* by Carol Ann Duffy

- ⑥ Hedging  
Negative & limiting adverbials
- ① City collocations  
Informal vocabulary
- ② Adding emphasis: *just, really, actually*

## 4 Talk

Conversations  
Tendencies & habits  
Jokes & funny stories

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Find someone who ...  
Talking about conversations  
Telling jokes & funny stories  
**Anecdote:** talking about a member of your family

- People talking about what makes a good conversation
- Extract from *That's Not What I Meant* by Deborah Tannen
- Eavesdropping on conversations
- Someone talking about family members, their habits & characteristics

- ⑥ Test yourself: *wh-* words  
General tendencies  
Past tendencies
- ① Conversation & its collocations  
Vocabulary of talking & conversations  
Talk & its forms
- ② Telling a funny story

## 5 Luck

The lottery  
Wishes & regrets  
A sci-fi story

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Talking about luck  
**Anecdote:** An event which has influenced your life  
**Game:** wishful thinking

Writing the diary of a survivor of the invasion of the Triffids

- Friends discussing lucky charms
- Article: *Winning The Big One* – a lottery winner's story
- Friends discussing the reading text
- Someone telling the story of a theft
- Extracts from *The Day of the Triffids* by John Wyndham

- ⑥ Unreal conditionals  
Wishes & regrets
- ① Cultural items  
Descriptive verbs  
Wish

## 6 Mind

A medical case  
Senses  
Pet psychology

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Finding out what you know about the brain  
Discussing the five senses  
Discussing pets

- Extract from *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* by Dr Oliver Sacks
- People discussing the senses
- A case of pet psychology
- Song: *I'm Going Slightly Mad* by Queen

- ⑥ Verbs of the senses  
Participle clauses
- ① Verbs about seeing  
Mind & its collocations
- ② Word linking

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8 **Cyberspace**

The future of the world  
Video games  
Using the Internet & e-mail  
Big Brother

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Talking about gadgets  
Making predictions about the future  
Discussing the state of the world at the end of the 21st century  
Giving a presentation  
Talking about e-mail & the Internet

Discussing applications for Big Brother  
  
Writing a magazine article about video games  
Writing a letter from a Big Brother applicant

- Article: a newspaper interview with Stephen Hawking
- Interview with Steven Poole about video games
- People talking about why they use e-mail & the Internet
- Text: information about Big Brother

- G** Will for predictions & assumptions  
Using discourse markers
- L** Prepositional phrases  
Vocabulary of the Internet & e-mail

9 **Law**

Crime & punishment  
Legal cases  
Newspaper reports

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Discussing crimes & appropriate punishments  
Discussing proposals for new laws  
Looking at the differences between tabloids & broadsheets  
  
Writing the end of a tabloid or broadsheet story  
Writing a tabloid article about the reading text

- Extracts from court cases
- People stating what punishments they think are suitable for certain crimes
- Listening to a woman describing a case of stealing
- Text: a legal anecdote
- Tabloid & broadsheet stories
- Song: *Love In The First Degree* by Bananarama

- G** Test yourself: paraphrasing  
Using modals to talk about the past  
Inversion after *neither/nor, so & such*
- L** Vocabulary of the courtroom  
*Law* & its collocations  
Formal vocabulary
- P** Word linking

10 **Firsts**

A new race  
Great achievements  
Coming first / doing something for the first time

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Discussing extreme challenges  
Talking about whether you're an initiator, a follower or a ditherer  
**Anecdote:** talking about a time when you did something for the first time or came first in something

Writing quiz questions

- Text: a new car rally
- Text: a famous mountaineer
- Friends discussing what makes people want to climb mountains
- People talking about times they came first or did something for the first time

- G** Contrast  
Patterns with *get*  
Test yourself: passives
- L** Collocations  
*First* & its collocations  
Vocabulary of physical challenges  
Idioms & phrasal verbs
- P** Word stress

11 **Stories**

Telling stories  
Urban myths & short stories  
A change of plan

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Talking about stories from around the world  
Talking about & telling urban myths  
**Anecdote:** plans that had to be changed

Writing an article for a web site about storytellers  
Writing a short story

- Interview with a professional storyteller
- An urban myth
- Urban myths
- Short story: *Hearts And Hands* by O. Henry
- Text: millennium plans in London
- Radio show: millennium experiences
- People talking about plans that had to be changed

- G** Telling stories  
The future seen from the past
- L** Compound adjectives  
Vocabulary of things going wrong

12 **Words**

New words in English  
The written word  
Word games  
English spelling

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Talking about words  
Talking about writing letters  
Talking about English spelling  
Discussing the future of your mother tongue & global languages  
**Game:** Three different word games

Writing an invitation, a thank you letter or a letter of apology  
Writing a short autobiography extract

- Conversations including new words
- Extracts from *Debrett's New Guide to Etiquette and Modern Manners* about letter writing conventions
- People playing word games
- Extracts from three autobiographies
- Mark Twain's suggestions for improving English spelling

- G** *Whatever, however, wherever* etc  
Patterns with *have*
- L** New words in English  
*Word* & its collocations  
Vocabulary of letter writing
- P** Silent letters

13 **Conscience**

Giving money to charity  
Ethical tourism  
Guilty conscience

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Talking about people asking for money  
Discussing and presenting ideas for raising money  
Talking about ethical tourism  
Discussing what makes you feel guilty

- People talking about who they give money to in the street
- Friends discussing ways of raising money for charity
- Article: ethical tourism

- G** Special uses of the past simple
- L** *Rather*  
Vocabulary of collecting money for charity  
Vocabulary of global situations  
*Conscience* & its collocations
- P** Sentence stress

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