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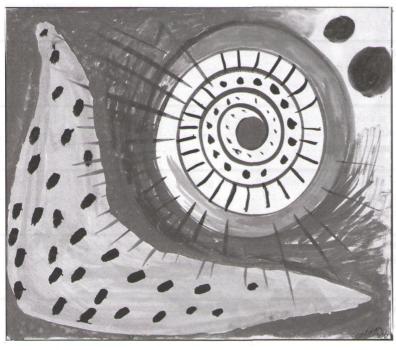
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	Predicting	Taking time to think	Verbs and adjectives with prepositions	Stressed and unstressed prepositions
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	Working out unknown vocabulary	Asking for further information	Words related to money	Intonation in lists
	Identifying speculative language	Using expressions to show interest	Multi-word verbs (1)	Using intonation to show interest
	Listening for specific information	Elaborating	Describing trends	Unstressed object pronouns
	Identifying sequencers	Saying percentages and fractions	Collocations with <i>make</i> and <i>do</i>	Linking
	Summarizing	Giving presentations	Multi-word verbs (2)	Unstressed and contracted auxiliary verbs
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#### Introduction

Welcome to *Open Forum*, a three-level listening and speaking skills series for English language learners who need practice in extended listening and discussion in preparation for academic work, or to attain a personal goal.

The series is structured around high-interest listening texts with an academic focus that engage and motivate learners. Chapters feature academic content areas such as History, Communication, or Psychology. The content areas are revisited as the series progresses, ensuring that learners recycle and extend the ideas and vocabulary of each topic. Focused practice in listening and speaking skills is integrated into each chapter.

Open Forum 1 is for learners at the **high-beginning** to **low-intermediate** level.

#### Features of Open Forum

#### Listening Skills

- Each chapter introduces and practices a specific listening skill (e.g., listening for main ideas, identifying examples, identifying important points).
- Listening selections are adapted from authentic sources. They are carefully chosen to engage learners and teachers and to stimulate discussion.
- A wide variety of texts—including lectures, radio interviews, news reports, and informal conversations—ensures learners practice listening to a range of audio formats.
- Listening comprehension tasks provide opportunities for extensive and intensive listening, which becomes more challenging as learners move through the series.

#### Speaking Skills

- Each chapter introduces and practices one specific speaking skill (e.g., elaborating, asking for clarification, giving opinions).
- Speaking practice sections in each chapter provide opportunities for extended discussion on the chapter theme.
- Abundant opportunities for interaction in pairs, groups, and as a class ensure student participation.

#### Vocabulary

■ Vocabulary sections introduce key lexical items associated with the chapter theme. The sections also highlight word-building, collocations, and multi-word verbs.

#### Pronunciation

■ Pronunciation sections raise learners' awareness of features of natural spoken English, such as stress, rhythm, intonation, and linking.

#### MP3 Component

■ Downloadable audio files (in MP3 format) and worksheets for every chapter are available on the *Open Forum* Web site www.oup.com/elt/openforum. Each downloadable selection complements the topic in the corresponding chapter, and provides learners with opportunities for extended listening practice in the content area. The listening selections can be used independently, or in a language lab setting.

#### Assessment

■ Progress Tests (available in the *Answer Key* and *Test Booklet*) enable teachers to check learners' progress and allow learners to demonstrate mastery of the strategies they have studied.

#### **Unit Format**

#### 1. Introducing the Topic

This section introduces the topic of the chapter, activates learners' background knowledge, and builds interest. Learners complete a quiz, answer discussion questions, look at photographs, or carry out a short survey.

**Teaching Tip:** Use this section to get learners thinking and speaking about the chapter theme. Have them work in pairs or groups to maximize their speaking opportunities.

#### 2. Listening Practice

This is the first of two major listening opportunities in each chapter. Each listening section includes five sub-sections:

#### Preparing to Listen

Here, learners are given specific preparation for the text that they are going to hear. Learners read and discuss information specific to the piece; at this point, new vocabulary may be introduced to facilitate listening.

**Teaching Tip:** Heighten student interest and anticipation by having them predict what speakers will say. Leave some questions unanswered; this will motivate learners to listen more carefully.

#### ■ Listening for Main Ideas

This stage ensures that learners are able to identify the main idea of a text. The listening task encourages learners to listen to the entire recording once through, without stopping, and to pick out the general gist of the text.

Teaching Tip: Read through the directions for the task before learners listen. Check that they understand the vocabulary in the task and know what they have to do. Encourage them to focus only on the listening task as they listen. After they listen, have learners compare their answers, and check as a class.

#### ■ Listening for More Detail

In this section, learners practice listening for specific details. As the series progresses, learners move from reacting with a minimal response (e.g., deciding whether a statement is true or false) to making more extended notes (e.g., filling in a chart). They are also guided to use context to work out unknown vocabulary.

Teaching Tip: Go through the questions before learners listen, and check that they understand what they are being asked. Then play the recording. Learners may already be able to answer some of the questions. Acknowledge this fact, but do not confirm right or wrong answers at this point: encourage learners to listen a second time to check their answers. After they have listened again, ask learners to compare their answers, and check as a class. If learners have difficulty with one or more of the questions, replay the relevant section of the recording as necessary.

#### ■ Thinking and Speaking

At this point, learners are encouraged to respond to the ideas in the text, synthesize what they have heard, and apply it to their own experience. Learners also get an opportunity for speaking practice on the chapter theme.

Teaching Tip: Learners can discuss the questions in pairs, small groups, or as a class. Give them time to think before asking for answers. Encourage them to refer to the listening transcript if appropriate. The tasks are designed to be flexible and can take as little as a few minutes, or as long as 20–30 minutes, depending on class and teacher preference.

#### ■ Focus on the Listening Skill

This section raises learners' awareness of listening skills and strategies, and provides focused training in those skills. The *Listening Skill* boxes introduce three types of listening skills:

- a) pre-listening skills (e.g., activating background knowledge) are introduced before learners listen to the text;
- b) while-listening skills (e.g., identifying main ideas) are introduced and practiced as learners listen;
- c) detailed listening skills (e.g., working out unknown vocabulary) are practiced after learners have grasped the main points.

**Teaching Tip:** Read the information in the Listening Skill box aloud as the learners follow along. Check that they understand. Then have them complete the tasks alone or with a partner. After they listen, have learners compare their answers, and check as a class.

#### 3. Vocabulary

The vocabulary section introduces key items of vocabulary that are useful for the topic, and provides written and oral practice of the items. Where necessary, *FYI* boxes highlight relevant information.

**Teaching Tip**: Read the information in the FYI box, if there is one, aloud as the learners follow along. Check

that learners understand. Then ask learners to complete the tasks alone or with a partner.

#### 4. Listening Practice

This section provides a second listening opportunity. The text in this section is longer than the first text, to give learners practice in extended listening. The text is usually of a different type from the first text (e.g., a lecture vs. a radio interview). The sequence of tasks is the same as in the first listening section, without the specific focus on a listening skill.

Teaching Tip: See previous Listening Practice.

#### 5. Pronunciation

Learners are offered practice in listening for and understanding features of natural spoken English such as stress, linking, weak forms, and verb endings. Learners practice focused listening to identify stress and intonation and to pick out words and complete sentences. As in the *Vocabulary* section, *FYI* boxes provide relevant instruction.

**Teaching Tip**: Read the information in the FYI box, if there is one, aloud as the learners follow along. Check that learners understand. Then ask learners to complete the tasks alone or with a partner.

#### 6. Speaking Skills

This section raises learners' awareness of a specific speaking skill or strategy, such as asking for clarification or taking time to think. These are presented in *Speaking Skill* boxes. Learners listen to a short text that exemplifies the skill or strategy in question.

**Teaching Tip**: Read the information in the Speaking Skill box aloud as the learners follow along. Check that learners understand. Then ask learners to complete the tasks alone or with partner.

#### 7. Speaking Practice

This section provides an extensive, guided speaking activity on the theme of the chapter, and encourages learners to use the skill learned in the previous section. The activity is carefully staged to maximize speaking; for example, learners might first make notes individually, then discuss the topic with a partner, and finally move into group or class discussion.

**Teaching Tip:** Allow plenty of time for this activity. Ask learners to gather and note down their ideas; this will ensure that they have enough to say in the speaking stage. If necessary, remind learners to use the speaking skill from the previous section.

#### 8. Taking Skills Further

The chapter concludes with suggestions to increase learners' awareness of listening and speaking skills, and ideas for listening and speaking practice outside the classroom.

**Teaching Tip:** The task can usually be checked in the next class. Many of the activities can be expanded into a project, if desired.

# CHAPTER 1 Communication

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

**Topics:** Sign language; gestures

**Listening Texts:** Radio report about babies and sign language; lecture about gestures

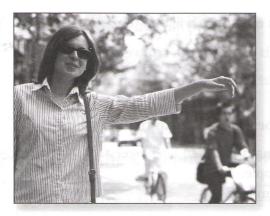
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**Speaking Skill Focus:** Asking for help with vocabulary

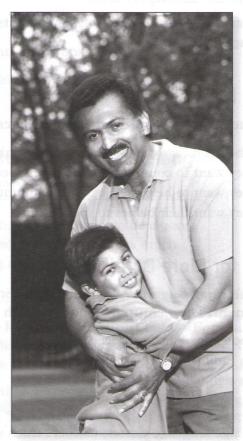
**Vocabulary:** Verbs of communication **Pronunciation:** Contractions with *be* 

#### 1 INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Work in small groups. Look at the pictures. How are the people communicating? What are they communicating in each picture?







2. Work in pairs or small groups. Make a list of other ways that people communicate without using words.

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

You are going to listen to a radio report. Read the description of the report. Then discuss the questions with a partner.

Radio Highlights
WDLG 10:00: Using sign language with babies

This report investigates why parents are teaching their babies to use sign language before they can talk.

- 1. What is the radio report about?
- 2. What are some possible reasons that parents might teach babies to use sign language?

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the radio report. Then choose the correct answer to the question.

What is the main reason that parents are learning to use sign language?

- a. They want to communicate with deaf people.
- b. They want to help their babies to communicate.
- c. They want their babies to speak earlier.

#### **C** Listening for More Detail

- Listen to the report again. As you listen, choose the correct answer to complete each statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
  - 1. The interview is taking place \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. at a radio station
    - b. at a sign language class
    - c. on a street corner
  - 2. In the sign language classes, teachers teach signs to \_\_\_\_
    - a. babies
    - b. parents
    - c. researchers

3. The babies in the sign language class are \_\_\_\_\_.

a. all the same age
b. about two
c. different ages
4. Parents like to use sign language because \_\_\_\_\_.

a. it helps them understand what their children want b. it stops them from screaming at their children c. it stops the children from speaking
5. Researchers noticed that deaf children learn to sign \_\_\_\_\_ are earlier than hearing children learn to speak
b. more quickly than hearing children do
c. later than hearing children do

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

c. both a. and b.

Work in small groups and discuss the questions.

- 1. What are the advantages to teaching sign language to babies?
- 2. What do you think of the idea?

6. Sign language may help childrena. become more intelligentb. learn to speak earlier

#### **E** Focus on the Listening Skill: Reflecting on Listening

#### LISTENING SKILL

It is helpful to think about the skills that are necessary to be a good listener. Thinking about these skills and practicing them as much as possible will improve your listening abilities and make you feel more confident when listening.

- 1. Work with a partner. Look at the listening situations below. For each pair of situations, discuss which type of listening is easier for you. Why is it easier? What kinds of listening situations are most difficult for you?
  - 1. Listening to a recording OR listening to someone face to face
  - 2. Listening in an informal situation (at a meal with friends) OR listening in a formal situation (in a lecture)
  - 3. Listening to a talk on a familiar topic OR listening to a talk on an unfamiliar topic

- 2. Look at these strategies for becoming a better listener. Then look back at sections A through D on pages 2 and 3. Which strategy did you use in each section?
  - 1. Think about what you already know about the topic before you listen.

    Section A
  - 2. Focus on the main ideas, not on the details.
  - 3. Listen for specific information that you want to find out.
  - 4. After you listen, try to summarize what you heard.
- 3. Look at the list of listening skills in the Table of Contents. Which chapters focus on the strategies above?

#### **3 VOCABULARY:** Verbs of Communication



Verbs of communication, like *say* or *tell*, are followed by different sentence structures. The chart below shows how some of these verbs are used in sentences.

	to someone	something to someone	someone something or someone about something
talk speak	Listering	il: Reflecting on	id 2 grunstell erit na
say	warm L. help the r	V	
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tell	down as n	~	~
ask	n - handasi mayadi	tring abilities and mal	shi may sw <b>V</b> en liw side

- 1. Read and listen to the conversation. Which verbs of communication do the speakers use?
  - A: Did you talk to Mike?
  - B: Yes. He explained why he was late for the meeting. He was sick.
  - A: He didn't say anything about a new job?
  - B: No. He told me he had the flu.
  - A: Hmm. That's strange.

2.		hoose the correct answer to complete each statement. Use the chart on age 4 to help you.
	1.	My friend isn't speaking because he's mad.  a. me b. to me
	2.	He tells all his problems.  a. me  b. to me
	3.	You never say  a. me hello  b. hello to me
	4.	Could you please explain again?  a. me the homework  b. the homework to me
	5.	When people are talking, I don't always understand.  a. each other  b. to each other
108	6.	I'm going to ask about the exam.  a. the teacher  b. to the teacher
3.		Fork with a partner. Discuss the following questions. Use some of the afferent communication verbs from the chart in your discussion.
	2.	Who do you talk to most often on the phone? Why? What stories did your parents tell you when you were a child? What would you like someone to explain to you?
	4.	If you met the President of the United States, what would you say?

#### 4 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

- 1. Work with a partner. Describe how to do something, like how to get to your home from where you are now, how to make an unusual drink, or how to operate a motorcycle. As you speak, keep your hands behind your back and do not move your head!
- 2. Work in small groups and discuss the questions.
  - 1. Is it difficult to speak without using hand or head movements?
  - 2. How do a speaker's gestures help people understand him or her?
  - 3. In what situations might you use more gestures than usual?

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas Read the statements. Then listen to the lecture by a university professor. As you listen, write T for true or F for false for each statement. Compare answers with a partner. 1. We learn to use hand movements by watching other people. 2. Gestures usually match what a person is saying. 3. Gestures help people put thoughts and ideas into speech. C Listening for More Detail Listen to the lecture again. Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary. 1. Professor Goldin-Meadow is \_ a. the person giving the lecture b. a researcher on the subject of gestures 2. The lecture is about a. well-known gestures such as the "thumbs up" sign b. hand and eye movements that we use when we talk 3. Blind people make gestures. This shows that \_ a. it's harder for blind people to express themselves b. gestures are not learned from watching other people 4. The example of the "downstairs" gesture is an example of \_ a. a gesture that gives additional information that is not in the words b. a gesture that doesn't match the words 5. Goldin-Meadow studied children in order to see \_\_\_\_ a. how their hand movements are different from adults' b. when their hand movements didn't match their words

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

they often \_\_\_\_.
a. use more gestures

Work with a partner. Choose one of the following points from the lecture. Imagine that your partner did not hear the lecture, and explain the point in your own words, using examples from the lecture.

6. When people are speaking a foreign language or explaining something complicated,

- 1. Gestures are not learned by watching people.
- 2. Gestures usually match what someone is saying.

b. use gestures that don't match their words

3. Gestures help us put thoughts into words.

#### **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Contractions with Be



It can be hard to hear the different forms of the word be (am, is, and are) because they are often contracted. For example, I am is contracted to I'm, and he is is contracted to he's.

1. Read and listen to the sentence. Underline the three places where the verb be is contracted.

When you're listening to people, it's interesting to pay attention to the gestures they're using.

1.	It's	something	that w	e ao	naturally,	and	tnat	we re	_ all	born	with

2.	And when we talk to each other, _	paying	attention to
	gestures as well.		

3. You will automatically under	erstand: "	in her office and her
office is downstairs."		AK A CKILLS EURI

4.	So usually	_ a correspondence, or a match, between th	le
	gestures a person makes and wha	they say in words.	

5.	People use	more	gestures	when	they	have	difficulty	with	language,	for	example,
	whon					1-:	famion 1				

6. It can tell you a lot about	going	on in	their	heads
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#### 6 SPEAKING SKILL: Asking for Help with Vocabulary

#### **SPEAKING SKILL**

When you are speaking, it is sometimes difficult to think of the right word. If you cannot remember a word, try one or more of the strategies below to get help.

- Describe what you mean using a similar word or gesture.
- Use a more general word.
- Use an expression like "What do you call it?"
- · Give part of the word and ask for help.
- 1. Listen to the conversation. What is the woman describing?
- 2. Listen again. Which of the strategies above does the woman use?

#### **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

Work in small groups. Take turns thinking of an item from the categories listed below. Describe the item as clearly as you can. Do not use the name of the item. Instead, use the strategies on page 7 to ask for help. How quickly can your classmates guess the item you are describing?

an animal	a color	a fruit or vegetable
clothing or jewelry	a feeling	a type of music

Example:

A: It's a kind of fruit . . . and it's green on the outside. What do you call it?

B: Do you mean a pear . . . or maybe an apple?

A: No. It's bigger . . . about this big.

C: Oh, a watermelon!

A: Right!

#### **8** TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

In a conversation outside of class, when you cannot think of a word, try using one or more of the strategies for asking for help. Discuss your experiences in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of communication, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

## CHAPTER 2 Literature

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topics: Literacy and reading

Listening Texts: Interview about Artists for Literacy; informal conversation about books

**Listening Skill Focus:** Activating background knowledge (1)

Speaking Skill Focus: Reflecting on speaking

**Vocabulary:** Words related to books **Pronunciation:** Stress on content words

#### 1 INTRODUCING THE TOPIC





- 1. Look at the list of reading materials. Number the materials 1-5 according to how often you read each type (1 = the most often, 5 = the least often).
  - textbooks or academic texts
  - newspapers
  - \_\_\_\_ magazines
  - online material (e-mail, blogs, online magazines)
  - \_\_\_\_ nonacademic books (mystery stories, novels)
- 2. Work in small groups. Compare your answers. What kind of material do you most enjoy reading?
- 3. Write a list of everything that you have read so far today. Include things like road signs and advertisements. Then compare your answers in small groups. How many different things did your group read?

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Focus on the Listening Skill: Activating Background Knowledge (1)

#### LISTENING SKILL

Before you listen to a talk or a program about a topic, think about what you already know about the topic. Even if you do not know much about it, just thinking about it in advance will help you prepare for what you are going to hear.

You are going to hear a radio interview about an organization called Artists for Literacy. Before listening, discuss these questions with a partner.

- 1. Many children do not read well even after graduating from high school. How does the ability to read and write well affect a student's future?
- 2. How can teachers and parents encourage students to read more?
- 3. What do you think the organization Artists for Literacy might do?

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the interview. Then choose the correct answer to the question.

What does the organization Artists for Literacy do?

- a. It raises money for literacy programs.
- b. It provides tutors to help children learn to read.
- c. It provides songs for teachers to use to encourage students to read.

#### C Listening for More Detail

- Listen to the interview again. As you listen, circle the correct word or phrase to complete each statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
  - 1. Statistics show that the top 2 percent of students in the United States read for 20 / 65 minutes a day.
  - 2. It's hard to get children to read because they can't read well / they prefer to watch TV or listen to music.
  - 3. The artists that Gwyneth Dunne mentions have all written novels, stories, or poems / songs inspired by literature.
  - 4. In the classroom, teachers usually have students <u>listen to the songs and then read</u> the book / read the book and then listen to the songs.
  - 5. In a recent project, the students <u>made their own paintings</u> / wrote their own songs about a novel they had read.
  - 6. The project started when the founder of the organization heard a program about a book / performed a song she had written on the radio.

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Discuss these questions in small groups.

- 1. What do you think of using music to get students interested in reading?
- 2. What other ways could teachers use art to inspire children to read books?
- 3. What makes you want to read a book?

#### 3 VOCABULARY: Words Related to Books

1. Read the book descriptions. Pay attention to the words in bold.



#### OUR STAFF RECOMMMENDS.



#### **Wait until Tomorrow**

Carrie Jones's **best-seller** has finally been released in **paperback**. This is a mystery story with an intricate **plot**. You never know what will happen next! A real page-turner. I couldn't put it down.

#### Hannah on the Farm

This classic of children's literature was first **published** in 1912 but the timeless story of the little girl on the farm is just as enjoyable today. This **edition** has beautiful **illustrations** of all the farmyard **characters**. Recommended for ages 5 to 8.

#### **Meditations for Everyday**

A tiny book of poetry and short stories on the eternal **themes** of love, life, and death. Inspirational reading!

#### The Prisoner of Dromore

This is a **sequel** to Finding Dromore, and the final **novel** in the Dromore **series**, The story of life in a small town continues as a generation grows up and looks toward the future.

#### **Headed West**

The true story of how the West was won. Awarded the Newton prize for **nonfiction**.

<u> </u>	best-seller	a. to produce reading material for sale
2. p	paperback	b. a story that is long enough to fill a complete book
3. r	plot	c. a book that is bought by a large number of people
4. p	publish	d. writing that describes real people and events
5. e	edition	e. a book that has a paper cover
6. i	illustrations	f. a book that continues the story of an earlier one
7. 0	character	g." a set of books with the same characters or the same subject
8. t	theme	h. the form or version in which a book is published
9. s	sequel	i. the events that form the story of a book
10. r	novel	j. a person or animal in a book
11. s	series	k. a subject or main idea in a book
12. r	nonfiction	I. drawings or pictures in a book
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2. Try to match each word on the left with a definition on the right. Then

#### 4 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

Work in small groups. Look at the three books and their descriptions. Discuss the questions.



interconnected stories about Chinese American mothers and daughters in San Francisco



a classic novel about an alienated teenager growing up in New York



a timeless adventure story about pirates, buried treasure, and danger

- 1. Have you read any of these books?
- 2. If you have read one or more of the books, what do you remember about them?
- 3. Which one looks most interesting to you? Why?

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Anne, Cora, and Brent are discussing these books. Listen to their conversation and note the main reason why each book is important to the person who describes it.

1.	The Joy Luck Club (Anne)	tions in conjunctions) su	. 39911 73 (273)
	The Catcher in the Rye (Cora)		instress ed
3	Treasure Island (Brent)		

#### C Listening for More Detail

Read the statements. Then listen to the conversation again. Write T for true or F for false for each statement. Compare answers with a partner.

#### Anne

	1.	Before reading <i>The Joy Luck Club</i> , she had Americans.	
-	2.	Her father comes from China.	
	3.	After she read the book, she became more	interested in her own background.
	4.	She didn't see the movie.	

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	5.	She identified with the main character in The Catcher in the Rye.
	6.	She thought the main character was dishonest.
<u> </u>	7.	She had to read the book for school.
+	8.	Before reading the book, she was not usually interested in English classes.
		Brent
	9.	He found <i>Treasure Island</i> at his home.
	10.	He read the book every day.
	11.	He read the book more than once.

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work with a partner. Discuss the questions.

At the end of the conversation, Anne says, "That's why books are so great for kids. They open up a whole world of possibilities to you." What do you think she means? What kinds of possibilities can books open up for children?

#### **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Stress on Content Words

12. He didn't understand the illustrations.



In spoken English, content words (nouns, verbs, adjectives, or adverbs), such as *Anne*, *reads*, *good*, or *quickly*, are usually stressed. Function words (articles, prepositions, or conjunctions), such as *the*, *in*, or *but*, are usually unstressed.

- 1. Read and listen to the sentences. Note how the speaker stresses the content words.
  - 1. I read a good book.
  - 2. It was written by Amy Tan.
  - 3. I was interested in China.
  - 4. My father was born there.
- 2. Read the sentences and underline the words that you think will be stressed. Then listen and check your answers.
  - 1. We visited my grandparents in Brooklyn.
  - 2. I found a great book.
  - 3. There were pictures of pirates.
  - 4. The illustrations were beautiful.
  - 5. I read it on Sundays.

#### **6** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Prepare to describe a book that you enjoyed, or one that you remember well. Read the questions about the book and write your answers in the chart below.

1.	Title of the book:
2.	Where and when does the story take place?
	Who is / are the main character / characters?
5.	Who are some of the other characters in the book, and how do they affect the story?
6.	Does it have a happy or a sad ending?
7.	Why did you like the book? (Was it interesting, amusing, exciting, sad?)
8.	Who would you recommend the book to?

2. Work in small groups. Take turns describing your book to the group. Then decide which of the other books you would be most interested in reading, and say why.

#### 7 SPEAKING SKILLS: Reflecting on Speaking

#### SPEAKING SKILL

It is helpful to think about the speaking situations you often face and the difficulties you sometimes have in these situations. It is also helpful to learn some strategies to use when you have difficulty communicating in these common situations.

- 1. Work with a partner. Look at the list of speaking situations. Match each situation with the skill or strategy (a–e below) that you think would be most helpful in that situation. Can you think of other situations where the skill or strategy would be useful?
  - 1. I asked someone for directions, but I didn't understand part of the answer.

Useful skill or strategy: b. Asking for clarification

2. The teacher asked me a question in class, but I couldn't think of an answer right away.

Useful skill or strategy:

3. The teacher put us in small groups to discuss the importance of advertising.

Useful skill or strategy:

4. I wanted some more information about the test next week.

Useful skill or strategy:

5. My friend was telling me a story about his family and I didn't know how to respond.

Useful skill or strategy:

- a. Asking for further information
- b. Asking for clarification
- c. Expressing interest
- d. Expressing opinions
- e. Taking time to think
- 2. Look at the list of speaking skills in the Table of Contents at the front of the book. Which chapters deal with the speaking skills and strategies above?
- 3. Which speaking skills and strategies do you feel are most important for you to learn? Why?

#### 8 TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Next time you listen to a lecture, a radio program, or a TV news program, practice activating background knowledge. Think about the topic in advance and what you already know about it. Talk about your experiences in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of literature, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

# CHAPTER 3 Life Sciences

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topics: Plants; bees

EL LISTENING PRACTICE **Listening Texts:** Tour at the Eden Project; classroom lecture on bees

Activating background knowledge (2) **Listening Skill Focus:** 

**Speaking Skill Focus:** Asking for clarification

> Vocabulary: Geographic areas and the definite article (the)

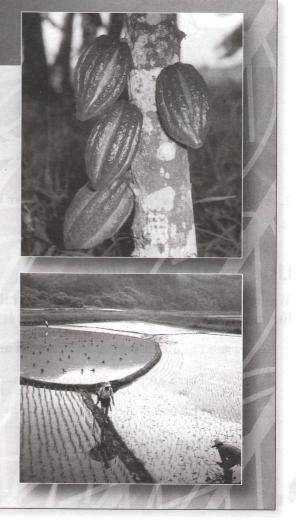
**Pronunciation:** Unstressed function words

#### INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Work with a partner. Discuss possible answers to the quiz. (The answers are at the bottom of the page.)

#### **Plant Facts Quiz**

- 1. What percentage of our paper comes from tropical rainforests?
- 2. Where on a cocoa tree do the flowers and fruit grow?
- 3. What is the number one food crop in the world?
- 4. How high can a banana plant grow?



Answers: 1. 1%; 2. on the trunk and branches; 3, rice; 4. 35 feet high

2. Work in groups. Make a list of everyday items that come from plants. Think about foods, drinks, fabrics, materials for building houses, etc. Then compare your answers with a partner.

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Focus on the Listening Skill: Activating Background Knowledge (2)

#### LISTENING SKILL

Before you listen to a talk or a program about a topic, think of some words and expressions that are connected to the topic. This will help you prepare for what you are going to hear.

1. Work with a partner. Look at the photos of the Eden Project and make a list of any words or expressions you know related to plants and gardens.





2. Work in small groups. Compare your lists. Add words that you did not have on your list.

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

- You are going to listen to a tour guide talk about the Eden Project. After listening, mark the one statement that is false.
  - 1. The Eden Project has gardens and educates people about horticulture.
  - 2. There are four different landscape and garden areas.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The plants were not taken from the wild.

#### **C** Listening for More Detail

Then	compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
1.	The tour guide says the Eden Project wants to make issues related to plantsa. interesting to anyone
	b. interesting to people who work with plants
2.	The Eden Project has  a. 5000 different plants  b. 100,000 different plants
3.	The Eden Project has
	a. three different biomes
	b. two different biomes \(  \)
	The different areas of the Eden Project are  va. an outdoor landscape, a temperate biome, and a tropical biome
	b. a temperate biome and a tropical biome
5.	Each section has
	a. only plants used for food
138	b. different types of plants used for food, clothing, and other things
6.	The outdoor landscape area has plants from
	a. Britain
	b. Britain, Russia, and parts of North and South America
7.	The warm temperate biome has plants that live in places where
	a. it's dry and the soil isn't good
	b. it's dry but the soil is good
8.	The humid tropics biome
	a. is the largest in the country
	b. is the largest in the world

Listen to the talk again. Choose the correct answer to complete each statement.

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work in pairs or small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. Do you think the Eden Project's goals (education about plants and conservation) are important? Why or why not?
- 2. What other projects that conserve plants or animals do you know of? Describe them.

#### **VOCABULARY:** Geographic Areas and the Definite Article (*The*)



Certain names for geographic areas use the definite article the. These include oceans, seas, rivers, mountain ranges, and groups of islands. We also use the with place names that include a noun like republic, state, or union, for example, The United States or The Czech Republic.

1. Read the extracts from the talk. Look at the underlined place names. Which two use the definite article (the)?

The outdoor landscape has the natural landscapes and plants of temperate regions, like most of Britain as well as parts of Russia and parts of North and South America.

For the warm temperate biome, think of the regions of the Mediterranean, as well as parts of South Africa, Australia, and some of California in the United States.

For the humid tropics biome, think of tropical regions such as West Africa, Malaysia, and tropical South America.

2. Work with a partner. Match each geographic category on the left (1–9) with a name on the right (a-i). Which names use the definite article?

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f_ 1.	continent	a.	The Atlantic
2.	country	٠b.	France
3.	a group of islands	c.	Mt. Everest
4.	lake	d.	Superior
5.	mountain	e.	The Mississippi
6.	mountain range	f.	Africa
7.	ocean	g.	The Himalayas
8.	sea	h.	The Caribbean
9.	river	i.	The Canaries

3. Write another example for each category below.

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Lake:			
Mountain:			

Mountain range:		- 5551	
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Sea:	wolffe st		
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4. Work with a partner. Take turns saying your examples from exercise 3. When your partner says an example, respond with the appropriate category.

Example:

Student A: Europe

Student B: A continent

#### LISTENING PRACTICE

#### **A** Preparing to Listen

Work in pairs or in small groups. Look at the pictures and discuss how you think they are related.







E Listening for Main law

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas Listen to a lecture about bees. Number the topics in the order they are mentioned. How the bee carries nectar Bee communication Structure of the hive How many kinds of bees there are How bees make honey C Listening for More Detail Listen to the lecture again. Write T for true or F for false for each statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary. 1. Bees can only survive in warm places. 2. There are 2200 different kinds of bees that have been named. 3. A female worker bee goes to different flowers to collect nectar. 4. Only one bee works on the nectar to make it into honey. 5. The kind of flower the nectar comes from affects the flavor of the honey. 6. The worker bee carries nectar in a bag on its stomach.

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work with a partner. Use information from the lecture to explain how bees make honey and how they communicate. Then answer the questions.

9. Bees communicate about the location, quantity, and quality of food.

10. Bees communicate by moving their bodies in a certain pattern.

1. What new information did you learn from listening to the class?

7. The hive has two different kinds of bees in it.

8. Most bees in a hive are drones.

2. What other animals communicate? How do they communicate?

#### **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Unstressed Function Words



Some very common words, such as articles (a, an, the), prepositions (to, of, on, from, at, in), pronouns (it, him, her), and conjunctions (and, or, as) are usually unstressed in both formal and informal speech. They can be difficult to hear because they are unstressed.

- 1. Read and listen to the sentence. Pay attention to the words in italics. All these words are unstressed.
  - You probably think of bees in warm places, but they actually survive in all kinds of places.
- 2. Listen to the extract from the lecture. Fill in the missing words. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.

It turns out that bees can communicate	e (1)to	some extent.	They can
actually let other bees know about (2)	the loca	ation (3)	food, not
just where (4) is, but how go	ood (5)	is (6)	how
much there is. The bees do (7)	kind (8)	dance	, moving around
(9) air.			

3. Work with a partner. Practice reading the extract aloud. Remember not to stress the words you filled in.

#### 6 SPEAKING SKILLS: Asking for Clarification

#### SPEAKING SKILL

After listening to someone speak, you may need to ask for clarification. Use the expressions below to help you get the clarification you need.

Can you repeat . . . ?
Could you repeat . . . ?
Can you explain how . . . ?
How many . . . ?
What did you say about . . . ?

- 1. Listen to three questions that students ask during the lecture. What do they ask about?
- 2. Listen again. Which expressions do the speakers use?

#### **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Work with a partner. Student A: Cover text B and read text A. Student B: Cover text A and read text B. Some information is missing from each text. Ask your partner questions to complete the missing information in your text. Ask for clarification when necessary.

Example:

Student A: Where did the honeybee originally come from?

Student B: Africa.

Most researchers be	elieve the honeybee or	iginally came from (1.)	
The average Ameri	can eats about one por	und of honey a year.	
In the course of her	r lifetime, a worker bee	e will produce (2.)	of honey
To make one pound	d of honey, workers in	a hive fly 55,000 miles and visit	
(3.)	fl	owers.	
In one trip, a worke	er will visit between 50	and 100 flowers.	
A hive can make (4	.)	of honey a day.	
The average speed	a honeybee flies is 15 i	miles per hour.	
There are (5.)	of Last Mena (4)	different kinds of bees in North	h America.
Bees can see colors	s, but not the color red	, sandighd consults	

FASCINATING FACTS ABOUT BEES	
Most researchers believe the honeybee originally came from Afr	rica.
The average American eats (6.)	of honey a year.
In the course of her lifetime, a worker bee will produce 1/12th of	f a teaspoon of honey.
To make one pound of honey, workers in a hive fly (7.)	131-14
miles and visit two million flowers.	
In one trip, a worker will visit between (8.)	flowers
A hive can make two pounds of honey a day.	
The average speed a honeybee flies is (9.)	per hour.
There are 4000 different kinds of bees in North America.	
Bees can see colors, but not the color (10.)	

#### **8** TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Listen to people talking outside of class. Pay attention to the ways people ask for clarification. Notice which expressions they use. Report your findings in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of nature and biology, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

# CHAPTER 4 Psychology

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

**Topics:** The brain and memory

**Listening Texts:** TV program about how to improve memory; radio call-in show

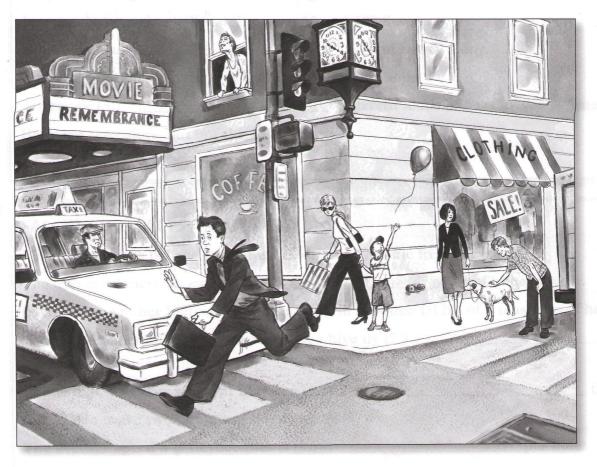
**Listening Skill Focus:** Predicting

Speaking Skill Focus: Taking time to think

**Vocabulary:** Verbs and adjectives with prepositions **Pronunciation:** Stressed and unstressed prepositions

#### **1** INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Look at the picture for 60 seconds. Then close your book and write down as many details as you remember from the picture.



2. Work with a partner. Compare your lists. How much did each of you remember? How easy or difficult was it for you to remember details?

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Focus on the Listening Skill: Predicting

#### LISTENING SKILL

Before you listen to any kind of lecture or talk, try to predict what it might be about. Look at the title and any visual material, such as pictures or handouts. Think about what someone might say or write about the topic. Even if your predictions are not correct, this can help prepare you for what you will hear.

1. Work with a partner. Look at the title for a TV news program. Then discuss the questions.

#### 9:00 pm on Channel 6

#### Science Watch

What is "Boot Camp for the Brain" and how might it help you improve your memory?

- 1. Boot camp is a training program for people in the military. It usually involves rigorous physical activity. What might a boot camp for the brain involve?
- 2. What are some different kinds of memory problems that people have?
- 3. Why might someone want to improve his or her memory?

2.	Look at the list of topics.	Check the	ones you	think might	be discuss	sed in the
	news report.					

	Examples of memory problems
1500	What happens at Boot Camp for the Brain
a iddig	Childhood memories
	A research study
	What other scientists think
<u>lasto</u>	Using memory to prepare for college exams

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the TV news report about the Boot Camp for the Brain. As you listen, underline the topics above that are discussed.

#### C Listening for More Detail

1.	The Boot Camp for the Brain is  a. a two-week program
	b. a two-month program
	c. a three-week program
2.	The program includes
	a Contraction of the Contraction
	b. memory exercises and a special diet
	c. memory exercises, a special diet, physical activity, and stress-relieving exercises
3.	After the program, memory tests showed Michele Rubin's memory to be
	a. average for her age
	b. equal to a 40-year-old person
	c. equal to a 20-year-old person
4.	As a way to exercise her brain, Michele Rubin now helps her children with
	a. math puzzles and a figure work and a figure and a figu
	b. their math homework
	c. their reading homework
5.	Dr. Small's study showed that people who did the program had
	a more efficiency in the front of their brains
	b. more efficiency in the back of their brains
	c. more efficiency in all of their brains
6.	Other scientists feel that
	a. the program definitely works
	b. the program doesn't work

Listen to the report again. As you listen, choose the correct answer to complete

each statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work with a partner. Explain in your own words how Boot Camp for the Brain works and Ms. Rubin's experience with it. Then discuss your opinion of the program. Do you think it could be helpful? Why or why not?

c) the program might work, but there needs to be more research

# **3 VOCABULARY:** Verbs and Adjectives with Prepositions



Some verbs and adjectives commonly appear with certain prepositions. For example, the verb *think* usually goes with *about*, and the adjective *similar* usually goes with *to*. It is a good idea to learn some of these common combinations.

1. Read the brochure. Then complete the chart with the correct prepositions.

# **Improve Your Memory!**



If you're worried about your memory, come and learn about the Boot Camp for the Brain this Saturday. People who have participated in the program say it has significantly improved their memory. Doctors are optimistic about this new program, and it could just help you with your memory problems! If you're interested in increasing your memory power, come find out more about Boot Camp for the Brain. You'll be surprised at how much it can help your memory.

Verb + Preposition	Adjective + Preposition		
think about	similar to		
wait for	different from		
listen to	aware of 289bl misM 101		
talk about	worried <u>about</u>		
talk to	optimistic obout		
participate <u>In</u>	interested <u>Ih</u>		
help (someone)	surprisedOU		

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	Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions.
1	My father is worried (1) <u>about</u> his memory, and he's very interested (2) <u>in</u>
1	earning about ways to improve it. So last week we went to a lecture on the brain and
1	memory. The lecture started with a psychologist talking (3) when the brain and
ŀ	now memory works. My father listened (4) the speaker and took notes
t	to remember the important points. In the second part of the lecture, we were asked
t	to participate (5) memory tests. I was a little surprised (6) my
1	results because I didn't do as well as I'd expected! After the tests, the psychologist
t	talked (7) about ways to help (8) with memory problems. My father felt
1	more optimistic (9) about his memory after the lecture, but I was a little worried
. (	(10) about mine. Especially when I realized I'd forgotten where I'd parked the car!
	Work with a partner. Say a verb or adjective from the chart on page 29 and see if your partner can say the correct preposition.
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1	You are going to listen to a radio program where people call to ask a psychologist about memory problems. Before you listen, work with a partner and make a list of problems that you think listeners might ask about.
	Work in small groups and compare lists. What advice do you think a psychologist might give for the problems on your lists?
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1	psychologist might give for the problems on your lists?
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#### C Listening for More Detail

Read the questions and answer the ones you can. Then listen to the radio show again and complete your answers. Compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary. 1. If you are worried about your memory, how does that affect your ability to

remember things?

- 2. What is the main goal of any techniques to remember names?
- 3. What example is given to try and remember the name John Hatfield?
- 4. Why is it good to make the image for remembering a name silly or strange?
- 5. What are some different ways mentioned to give your brain a work out?
- 6. What is the tip of the tongue syndrome?
- 7. What does the psychologist suggest if, for example, you can't remember the name of a movie? \_\_
- 8. Why does she say this approach is helpful?

#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups and discuss the questions.

- 1. Have you ever tried any of these techniques to help your memory? If so,
- 2. Have you tried any other memory techniques?
- 3. Which technique would you like to try?

# **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Stressed and Unstressed Prepositions



Prepositions can be stressed or unstressed, depending on the situation. Prepositions within a sentence are not usually stressed. If the preposition is at the end of the sentence or at the end of a question, it is usually stressed.

1. Listen to the questions in column 1 and the sentences in column 2. Are the prepositions in column 1 stressed or unstressed? How about in column 2?

Column 1	Column 2
What are you waiting for?	I'm waiting for a friend.
What's he looking at?	He's looking at some old photographs.
What are they listening to?	They're listening to a lecture about memory.
What's she interested in?	She's interested in science.

- 2. Listen to the questions and sentences again. Repeat each one with appropriate stress.
  - 3. Work with a partner. Take turns asking and answering the questions below using appropriate stress.
    - 1. Where are you from?
    - 2. What are you interested in?
    - 3. What do you hate waiting for?
    - 4. What kind of music do you listen to?
    - 5. What do you worry about?

### **6 SPEAKING SKILLS:** Taking Time to Think

#### **SPEAKING SKILL**

Don't worry if you need to stop and take time to think or remember something when you are speaking. When you do this, it's a good idea to say something to avoid silence. The expressions below can give you time to think.

Hmm	Let me think
Well	Give me a second
Let's see	It's on the tip of my tongue

1. Listen to the conversation. What are they talking about?

2. Listen again. Which expressions do the speakers use to take time to think?

#### **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Read the questionnaire. Then add two or three more questions about memory.

. What is your earlie	est memory?		
. How many differer	nt telephone num	bers do you h	nave memorized?
. How many of your	family and frienc	ls' birthdays c	an you remembe
. Do you remember	names or faces be	etter?	
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- 2. Work with a partner. Take turns asking and answering the questions. Make notes of your partner's answers.
- 3. Compare answers as a class. Which areas of memory do most people find easiest or most difficult?

#### **8** TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Listen to people speaking outside of class. Notice when they stop to think about something while they are speaking. What expressions to do they use? Discuss your findings in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of the brain and memory, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

# CHAPTER 5 Anthropology

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

**Topic:** Anthropology

**Listening Texts:** Interview with an anthropologist; news report on corporate anthropology

Listening Skill Focus: Listening for main ideas

Speaking Skill Focus: Clarifying

Vocabulary: Nouns for professions

**Pronunciation:** Word stress

#### **1** INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

- 1. Work with a partner. Look at the pictures. Then discuss the questions.
  - 1. What do you think these people are doing?
  - 2. What do the pictures have in common?







2. Compare your answers in small groups.

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

Read the description of anthropologists on the next page. Then work in small groups and discuss the questions.

Anthropologists are careful observers of humans and their behavior. They ask questions like: What does it mean to be human? Why do people behave in particular ways? What are universal facts of human life?

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- 1. What exactly do you think anthropologists do? Where do you think they typically work?
- 2. What skills do you think a good anthropologist needs?
- 3. What kind of classes do you think you might take for a degree in anthropology?
- 4. Do you think anthropologists are paid well? Why or why not?

#### **B** Focus on the Listening Skill: Listening for Main Ideas

#### LISTENING SKILL

When you listen to a talk or a program for the first time, listen for the main ideas. Do not try to listen for every detail.

62	Read the	ne statements. Then listen to the interview. After you listen, check the ain ideas presented in the interview. (All the ideas are mentioned.)
		Anthropology is the study of humans now or at any time in the past.
		The field of anthropology is generally divided into four areas.
		One area of study for cultural anthropologists is the customs of groups of people.
		Dr. Tate studies early music in North America.
		Dr. Tate suggests taking an introductory course and talking to people to find our about the field.
	fler	Dr. Tate says an anthropologist is unlikely to get rich, but that it's a fascinating field.

#### **C** Listening for More Detail

82	Read the questions and answer the ones you can. Then listen to the interview
	again and complete your answers. Compare answers with a partner.

1.	What is studied in cultural anthropology?
2.	What is studied in physical or biological anthropology?
3.	What is studied in archaeology?
1.	What is studied in linguistic anthropology?
5.	What area is Dr. Tate working in now?
5.	What does he think will happen in the field in the future?
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#### **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. What did you learn about anthropology that you did not know before?
- 2. Would you like to be an anthropologist? Why or why not?

#### **3 VOCABULARY:** Nouns for Professions



Different suffixes are used to name a person who works in a certain profession. For example, the suffix –er is used to say that someone who sings is a singer, or –ian is used to show that someone who works in the field of mathematics is a mathematician.

- 1. Read the definitions. Underline the suffixes used to name the person who works in each profession.
  - 1. A professional is someone who works in a profession.
  - 2. An archaeologist is an expert in archaeology.
  - 3. An actor is someone who acts on TV or in plays or movies.
  - 4. A musician is someone whose job is to play a musical instrument.
  - 5. A manager is a person who manages an organization or part of an organization.

2. Look back at the words with an underlined suffix. Add each word to the correct category in the chart. Then work with a partner to think of one or two more examples to add to each category.

–ist	-ian	-al	-or	-er
anthropologist artist	mathematician politician	official	professor director	employer
			ed in archaeology.	

3.	Use words from the chart to complete the statements.
	1. My cousin is very good at mathematics. She's studying to be a
	2. Lou can draw and paint beautifully. Maybe he should be an
	3. The of a movie tells the actors what to do.
	4. Where do you work? Who is your? *******************************
	5. I don't think I'd want to be a The world of politics seems difficult
	6 There's a new biology at my university They say he's a very good

#### 4 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### **A** Preparing to Listen

teacher.

You are going to listen to a report about changes in the field of anthropology. Read the introduction to the report. Then discuss the introduction with a partner. What kind of work might an anthropologist do in an office?

Monday Evening News
Science Segment, page 2

Molly: When you think of an anthropologist, you probably think of someone who goes off to study a community that is far away and often very remote. That may have been true for anthropologists in the past, but things are changing. Today, while you still may find anthropologists who travel halfway around the world for their work, you might also be surprised to find one working just down the hall in your office.

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

- Work with a partner. Listen to the report about corporate anthropology. Then answer the questions.
  - 1. According to Sara Patton, how is her work in corporate settings similar to her previous work?
  - 2. What is an example of something an anthropologist might do or study in a company?

## C Listening for More Detail

- Listen to the report again. As you listen, choose the correct answer to complete each statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
  - 1. Using anthropologists in the business world started as an experiment in \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. many companies
    - b. a few companies
    - c. one company
  - 2. Anthropologists working in a company use \_\_\_\_\_
    - a, the same skills they would use in other situations
    - b. the same skills but with extra skills as well
    - c. different skills from the ones they use in other situations
  - 3. Sara Patton \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. has always worked in corporate situations
    - (b) worked in a village near the Arctic Circle
    - c. traveled to the Arctic Circle for the job she has now
  - 4. In her current project, she is studying the group dynamics of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. managers in an office
    - b. workers in an office
    - c. workers in a factory
  - 5. A colleague of Sara's \_\_\_\_
    - a. observes how people use technology in their homes
    - b. asks people how they use technology in their homes
    - c. asks people how they use e-mail
  - 6. Companies might use the information from Sara's colleague to \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. improve products
    - b. design new products
    - c. improve products and/or design new ones

#### Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. Do you think using anthropologists in business is a good idea? Why or why not?
- 2. In what other ways could companies get information about their customers?

#### **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Word Stress



Multi-syllable words have main stress on one syllable. The stress goes on the syllable before the suffix with these suffixes: -ogy, -ogist, -ion, -ity.

- 1. Listen to the words. Notice which syllable is stressed in each word.
  - 1. anthropology
  - 2. anthropologist3. documentation
  - Thinks of the
  - 4. community
- 2. Underline the stressed syllable in each word. Then listen and check your answers.
  - 1. biology
  - 2. biologist
  - 3. archaeology
  - 4. archaeologist
  - 5. corporation
  - 6. observation
  - 7. personality
  - 8. quality
  - 3. Work with a partner. Practice saying the words in exercise 2 with the correct stress.

# **6 SPEAKING SKILL:** Clarifying

#### SPEAKING SKILL

It is sometimes necessary to clarify what you have said in a conversation. Use the expressions below to show that you are clarifying. You can also restate what you have said to help clarify.

In other words, . . .

I mean . . .

What I mean is . . .

That's not what I meant. . . .

No, I said . . .

- 1. Listen to the conversation. What are the speakers discussing?
- 2. Listen again. Which expressions did the speakers use to clarify what they said?

#### **SPEAKING PRACTICE**

- 1. Work with a partner. Read the situations and discuss possible reasons why each situation is happening.
  - 1. A large communications company has introduced free language and management classes for employees, but the employees aren't signing up for the classes.

Possible reasons:

Maybe the classes aren't at convenient times

2. A company has introduced a computerized system of record-keeping, but most employees still use the old manual system.

Possible reasons:

3. A very successful paper and stationery store moved to a new larger space, but fewer customers come to the store now.

Possible reasons:

- 2. Make a list of questions that an anthropologist might ask in the above situations and what he or she might want to observe.
- 3. Change partners and choose one situation to role play. Student A: Act as the anthropologist who is trying to get information about what is happening and why. Student B: Act as a worker or customer. Use ideas from your lists and expressions to clarify as necessary. When you finish, change partners again and choose another situation to role play.

#### TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Listen to conversations outside of class. Notice when people clarify what they have said. What expressions do they use? Talk about your findings in the next class.

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# CHAPTER 6 Money

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topic: Money

Listening Texts: Radio report about local currencies; informal lecture about the history of money

**Listening Skill Focus:** Working out unknown vocabulary

Speaking Skill Focus: Asking for further information

Vocabulary: Words related to money

**Pronunciation:** Intonation in lists

# **1** INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Work with a partner. Read the quiz and discuss possible answers. (The answers are at the bottom of the page.)

	What do you know about money?	N	
	You use your money every day, but how much know about it? Take this quiz to find out more	do you e.	really
· 一	Which one of the following statements is fals	e?	
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3000	Before money, people used shells, tools, and animal skins for trading.	oibeat I	arthop
	2. Coins were first introduced around 600 B.C.	0 30	and tho
100	3. Only about 8 percent of the world's currency exists in cash.		
	4. The dollar is the only currency in the United States.		OWINE
	5. In the United States two-dollar banknotes are currently in circulation.	o tar V	tempo ec ve ma d. V ss.

2. Read the answers to the quiz. Which fact surprises you the most?

Answers: I. True, 2. True, 3. True. The rest of the world's currency is held in electronic bank accounts around the world, 4. False. Some towns and counties use local currencies as well as the dollar, 5. True. The two-dollar bill is no longer being printed, but it is still in circulation.

- 3. Match the words on the left with the definitions on the right. Then compare answers with a partner.
  - \_\_c\_\_ 1. trading
- a. piece of paper money
- 2. coins
- b. the system of money that is used in a particular place
- \_\_\_\_ 3. currency
- c. exchanging goods and services between people
- 4. banknote
- d. being used between people, passed from one person to another
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. in circulation
- e. pieces of metal that are used as money

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen



Work with a partner. Look at the picture. Discuss possible answers to the questions.

- 1. What is a local currency?
- 2. Why might some communities use a local currency?

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the radio report about a town that has issued its own currency. Then answer the questions in section A above.

#### C Listening for More Detail

Read the questions and answer the ones that you can. Then listen to the report again and complete your answers. Compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.

1.	What picture is on the Wilks banknote?
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2.	How much is one hour worth?
	and the second of the second second second
3.	Where can the money be used?
١.	How much of the Wilks currency is in circulation?
Ď.	How many businesses accept the local currency?
ó.	What do businesses do with the money they receive?
7.	How many other examples of local currencies are mentioned?
3.	What is written on the back of the Wilks bills?

#### **D** Focus on the Listening Skill: Working Out Unknown Vocabulary

#### **SPEAKING SKILL**

If you do not know what a word or expression means, use these strategies to work out the meaning.

- Pay attention to how the speaker uses the word in the sentence. Try to identify the part of speech (noun, adjective, verb, etc.).
- Listen to see if the speaker defines the word. Sometimes a speaker explains the meaning of the word, or uses a simpler word right afterward.
- Use the general meaning of the sentence and your background knowledge to help you work out the meaning.

<b>1</b> .	Read and listen to the extract from the radio report. Look at the example below to see how the meaning of <i>objective</i> was worked out.
·	<b>Reporter:</b> And what do the businesses do with the money? I mean, can they cash it in or ?
	<b>Moore:</b> Well, they can cash it in, but that's not the objective! What we want to do is to keep the currency in the community. Employers use it to pay part of their employees' salaries. Or they pay for local services with it. So you see, it re-circulates. It goes back into the community that way.
	Objective probably means  (a.) aim or goal  b. problem
	How did you know? The next sentence says "What we want to do is" What someone
	wants to do is an aim or goal.
<b>℃</b> 2.	Listen to the extract again. Then choose the correct meaning for <i>re-circulates</i> and explain the reason for your choice.
	Re-circulates probably means  a. to earn interest  b.' to go back into a system and move around in it
	How did you know?
<b>3</b> .	For each item, listen to the extract and try to work out the meaning of the word in italics. Compare answers with a partner. Discuss the reasons for your choices.
	1. Legal tender probably means
	<ul><li>a. money that can be used legally</li><li>b. equal to one dollar</li></ul>
	<ul><li>2. Stimulate probably means</li><li>a. to make something famous or well-known</li><li>b. to make something more active or to encourage it</li></ul>
	<ul><li>3. Issued probably means</li><li>a. produced</li><li>b. wanted</li></ul>
E Th	ninking and Speaking

# 1. How does using local currency help the community?

Work with a partner. Discuss the questions.

2. Can you think of disadvantages to using local currency?

## **3 VOCABULARY:** Words Related to Money

1. Read the paragraphs from a textbook. Then find a word in bold to match each definition below.

If you want to be financially healthy, it's important to balance your income and your expenses. Income is the money that you earn from work or receive from other sources. For most people, their main income is their **salary**. Most people have to pay tax on their income (called **income tax**) to the government.

Expenses are the things you have to pay for on a regular basis. Income tax is a type of expense. We all have to pay **bills** every month. For example, your expenses might include your **rent** or utility bills. Many people have to make **car payments** or repay **student loans.** People who own a home usually have a **mortgage** to repay. A mortgage is a home loan.

It's quite easy to **borrow** money for large purchases. Banks and stores like to offer **credit** to consumers. That means that they will **lend** you money if you pay the money back later with an extra **interest** charge.

It can be useful to have credit. It allows you to buy things now and pay for them later. But if you borrow too much money, it's easy to get into **debt.** Suddenly, you can find that you **owe** more than you can **pay back.** 

Your Money

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1.	Money that you make in a job:salary
2.	Money that you pay a landlord or landlady to live in a house or apartment:
	on, de la calego de la calega d
3.	Money that students borrow to go to college:
4.	A loan to buy a house or apartment:
	The opposite of borrow:
6.	Extra money that you pay when you repay a loan:
7.	To be in debt to another person:
8.	Another way to say repay:

2.		paragraph with boldface word herever necessary. Then comp		
	When I graduate	ed college and started working ful	ll-time, I got my own	apartment,
	bought a car, and	d felt very independent. But I had	d no idea how to man	nage my money.
	My income was	lower than I expected, and I hadr	n't realized that I wo	uld have to pay
	so much (1)	income tax on my sala	ry. Since I lived alone	e, I had to pay
	(2)	for the apartment by	y myself. I had bough	nt a nice car,
	so I had to make	e car (3)	_, and I also had a stu	udent
	(4)	to repay. I didn't hav	ve enough money to	pay all my
	(5)	, so I started using (6	6)	cards.
	The (7)	charges on my	cards were very high,	, so I got further
	into (8)	. I soon realized	that I was in trouble	e, and I had to
	make some hard	choices. I got a roommate to hel	p pay the rent. I sold	the car and
	started taking th	e bus. Slowly, I (9)	all the m	oney that I had
	(10)	Now that I've lear	ned my lesson, I'm n	nuch more
	careful with mor	ney.		

3. Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

What advice would you give to each of the following people about money?

- 1. A teenager who has just started his/her first summer job
- 2. A student living away from home for the first time
- 3. A friend who has won \$20,000 in a lottery

#### **4** LISTENING PRACTICE

#### **A** Preparing to Listen

You are going to listen to a lecture about the history of money. Work with a partner. Describe the pictures using some of the words below. Then discuss how each word might be connected to the topic.

coins grain pound trade weigh





#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the lecture. As you listen, check the four main topics that are discussed.

 A common currency
 Examples of a common currency
 How credit cards came about
 The first coins, banks, and paper money
 The gold standard
Investing in the stock market

# C Listening for More Detail

	n to the lecture again. As you listen, choose the correct answer to complete statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
1.	It's not always convenient to trade by exchanging goods because  a. you can't always get what you want when you want it  b. you can't always trust the other person
2.	A common currency is something that  a. is made of gold or precious metal  b. has value for everybody in a society
3.	Beads, shells, tools, and grain were all  a. used as currency  b. used for decoration
4.	The English currency is called the pound because  a. it is very heavy  b. grain was used as currency
5.	The first coins appeared  a. around 600 B.C.  b. after the first banks
6.	The first banks were  a. places where people changed money  b. places where people kept grain or gold
7.	Banknotes were originally  a. made of gold  b. receipts
8.	The U.S. Government backed the dollar with real gold  a. after 1971  b. until 1971
D Wor	king Out Unknown Vocabulary
	en to the extracts from the lecture. Listen for the words in italics. Choose correct meaning for each word. Then compare answers with a partner.
1.	Barter probably means  a. exchanging one item for another  b. using a common currency
2.	Spoil probably means a. get stolen b. rot or go bad

- 3. A spade is probably \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. a type of knife
  - b. a type of tool
- 4. A *depository* is probably \_\_\_\_.
  - a. a type of warehouse
  - b. a type of bank
- 5. Came about probably means \_\_\_\_
  - a. originated or started
  - b. disappeared

#### E Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. What did you learn from the lecture that you did not know before?
- 2. What did the lecturer mean when he explained that nothing backs our money in the United States except people's trust in it?
- 3. Have you ever experienced a situation where money lost its value? If so, describe the situation.

#### **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Intonation in Lists



Intonation is the way your voice goes up and down when you speak. Items in a list are usually spoken with rising intonation until the final item. The final item has falling intonation. This shows that the list has ended.

- 1. Listen to the sentences. Pay attention to the intonation. Rising intonation is marked like this: (\*) Falling intonation is marked like this: (\*)
  - 1. Some common currencies were beads, shells, tools, and grain.
  - 2. Coins were used in Ancient Greece, Turkey, and China.
  - 3. Money is used for trading, for paying fines, and for paying debts.
  - 4. My biggest expenses are rent, car payments, utility bills, and food.
  - 5. You can pay by cash, by check, or with a credit card.
  - 2. Work with a partner. Practice saying the sentences with appropriate intonation.

# **6 SPEAKING SKILLS:** Asking for Further Information

#### **SPEAKING SKILL**

It's OK to ask for more information if you need it. Use expressions like the ones below to ask for more information about a subject.

Can you tell me / us about . . . ?
Could you tell us a little more about . . . ?
I'd like to know more about . . .
What about . . . ?
Is that how / when / where (etc.) . . . ?

Listen to the extracts from the lecture. Which expressions do the students use to ask for more information?

#### **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Work in small groups. Think of some practical ways to save money on each of the items below. Write your suggestions in the chart. Then work with another group, compare your ideas, and add more suggestions.

1. rent	live with parents or share apartment with roommates
2. food	
3. heat, gas, and electricity	s of eligiblines and laun actions to took of the
4. telephone bills	s. In the service of
5. entertainment (music, movies)	Tigot of no rewards of admirate level of

- 2. Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.
  - 1. Which ways of saving money are easy for you? Which are difficult?
  - 2. If someone gave you \$10,000 right now, how would you spend it?

#### 8 TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Outside of class, listen for the different ways that people ask for further information. What expressions do they use? Talk about your findings in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of money, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

# CHAPTER 7 Health

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Vocabulary:

**Topics:** Physical fitness; stress

Listening Texts: Conversation about fidgeting and fitness; radio book review

Listening Skill Focus: Identifying speculative language

**Speaking Skill Focus:** Using expressions to show interest

**Pronunciation:** Using intonation to show interest

Multi-word verbs (1)

#### 1 INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Work with a partner. Read the quiz and discuss possible answers. (The answers are at the bottom of the page.)

# **Health Quiz**

How much do you know about staying healthy? Decide whether each statement is **true** or **false** 

- 1. Physical activity must be strenuous in order to get health benefits.
- 2. Doing housework at a moderate level can burn up to 300 calories per hour.
- **3.** The amount of TV a child watches has no effect on his or her weight.
- **4.** Eating a wide range of colors of fruit and vegetables is beneficial.
- Having a pet can reduce stress levels and help you fight illness.
- **6.** Thirty minutes of physical activity at least twice a week is recommended to stay healthy.
- 2. Compare answers with other students. What other recommendations do you know of to stay healthy?

Answers: I. F, 2. T, 3. F, 4. T, 5. T, 6. T

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

1. Work with a partner. Read the definition and the newspaper headline. Discuss what you think the newspaper article might be about.

**fidget** v: to move around or play with something in a restless way because you are nervous, bored, etc.

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# Fidgeting Could Make the Difference Between Being Fat or Thin

2. Work in small groups and compare your ideas.

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the conversation between two friends discussing a newspaper article. Then check the three main ideas discussed. (All the ideas are mentioned.) Compare answers with a partner.
Compare answers with a partiter.

V	Fidgeting can help you be in better shape.
	Tapping your foot is an example of fidgeting.
V	Researchers think people may be born with a tendency to move or not move a lot.
	The people in the study wore special sensors that measured movement.
	The sensors took measurements every half second.

# **C** Listening for More Detail

6-6	Listen to the conversation again. As you listen, choose the correct answer for each item. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
	1. The research study was done at a clinic in
	a. Michigan
	b. Missouri
	✓ c. Minnesota
	2. According to the study, how much more time do overweight people spend sitting still?
	a. at least an hour
	∨ b. at least two hours
	c. at least three hours
	3. The extra activity of a thinner person might make a difference in weight of
	v a. about 10 to 30 pounds per year v
	b. about 10 pounds per year
	c. about 30 pounds per year
	4. The fact that some people are born with a tendency to fidget is not discouraging to
	the lead researcher because
1305	✓ a. a lot of people can train to run 10 miles
	b. people can change this tendency
	c. small movements and activities can contribute to fitness
	5. The people in the study wore the clothes with sensors
	a. 10 hours a day for 20 days
	b. 24 hours a day for 10 days
	c. 24 hours a day for 20 days
	6. Compared to overweight people, thin people moved
	b. 50 minutes more
	c. 100 minutes more

#### **D** Focus on the Listening Skill: Identifying Speculative Language

#### LISTENING SKILL

When you listen to a news report or to the results of a scientific study, it is important to tell the difference between information the speaker gives as fact and information that is speculative. Speculative information is information that might not be accurate. When presenting speculative information, speakers often use language like the words below.

possibly it could be apparently I think it might be it's possible that

- 1. Listen to the sentences from the conversation. Decide whether each piece of information is fact or whether it is speculative. Circle the correct answer.
  - 1. fact speculative
  - 2. fact speculative
  - 3. fact speculative
  - 4. fact speculative
  - 5. fact speculative
  - 6. fact speculative
- 2. Listen to the sentences again. Work with a partner. Discuss which words helped you decide if the information is factual or speculative.

#### E Thinking and Speaking

Work with a partner. Summarize what the researchers did and what they found. Then discuss the questions.

- 1. In what ways is this research on physical fitness useful?
- 2. What other kinds of small changes could people make in their daily activities to help them keep fit?

### **3 VOCABULARY:** Multi-Word Verbs (1)



Multi-word verbs are made up of a verb (get, put, turn) and one or more particles (on, off, up). Many multi-word verbs are separable. This means that a noun object can appear either before a particle or after it.

Example:

Throw away the remote. (correct)

Throw the remote away. (correct)

However, with these types of multi-word verbs, when the object is a pronoun (*it, them, her*), it must come before the particle.

Example:

Throw away it. (incorrect)

Throw it away. (correct)

Other common multi-word verbs that follow this pattern are *turn on, turn off, put on,* and *pick up.* 

1. Read the paragraph. Circle the multi-word verbs. One is done for you. There are nine more.

Researchers have new information about staying in shape. Almost any little movement could help you stay fit and take off) some unwanted pounds. You don't have to go out and run 10 miles! If you're on the sofa, just get up. That's right, stand up and stretch. If you do this several times a day, it will help. If you feel more ambitious, turn off the TV, put on your shoes and go out for a walk. Then when you sit down to watch TV again, don't pick up the remote. In fact, throw it away. That way you have to move to watch TV.

- 2. Read the sentences below. Re-write them, changing the underlined words to pronouns.
  - 1. Could you please turn on the radio?

Could you please turn it on?

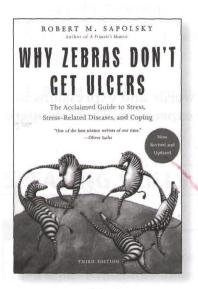
- 2. She picked up the papers.
- 3. He put on his hat before he went out.
- 4. Throw away the milk. It's gone bad.
- 5. Don't forget to turn off the lights when you leave.

- 6. Take off your shoes when you come into the house, please.
- 3. Write three to five sentences about what you usually do before you leave your home or what you do when you return home. Use as many multi-word verbs as you can. Then compare your sentences in a small group.

#### 4 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

1. You are going to listen to a review of a book called *Why Zebras Don't Get Ulcers*. Look at the picture of the book. What do you think it is about? What are ulcers?



2. What are some of the effects of stress on a person's health?

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the book review. Choose the correct ending for the summary of the book.

In his book, Robert Sapolsky says \_\_\_\_

- a. Human stress is more like zebra stress
- b. Human stress is more like baboon stress

#### C Listening for More Detail

Listen to the review again. As you listen, complete the statements. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.

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5.	Long-term stress in humans causes problems because
6.	To deal with stress, Robert Sapolsky suggests
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#### Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. Do you agree with the parallels Robert Sapolsky makes between stress in humans and stress in zebras and baboons? Why or why not?
- 2. Think back to your answers in section A (page 57). Can you add or change anything to those answers after listening?

#### **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Using Intonation to Show Interest



Intonation is the way your voice goes up and down when you speak. It can help show interest and emotion. Your voice is likely to go up and down more when you are interested and enthusiastic. If your intonation 'does not change enough, you may seem bored or uninterested.

- 1. Listen to the extracts from the book review. Pay attention to Kellie's intonation when she responds to Gordon.
- 2. Listen again to one of Kellie's responses. Which version shows interest with the intonation? Which sounds less interested?
  - 3. Work in pairs. Practice the two short dialogues below. Make sure you use changes in intonation to show interest.
    - **A:** I have a great new idea to reduce stress.
    - B: Really? What is it?
    - A: Would you like to go to the gym with me?
    - B: Sure! When are you going?

# 6 SPEAKING SKILLS: Using Expressions to Show Interest

#### **SPEAKING SKILL**

You can use the expressions in the list below to show interest in a topic. Remember to say these expressions with appropriate intonation. Note that asking questions is also a way to show interest.

Really?

Hmm.

I see.

Interesting!

That sounds interesting.

I didn't know that.

That's a good idea.

- 1. Listen to the conversation. What are the people talking about?
- 2. Listen again. Which expressions do the speakers use to show interest?

#### **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Work with a partner. Look at the list of activities in the box below and answer the questions.

cooking	gardening	reading the newspaper	watching a movie
doing laundry	listening to music	surfing the Internet	watching sports
driving	paying bills	talking with friends	watching TV
exercising	playing sports	washing dishes	working

- 1. Which of these activities make you feel less stressed? Which ones make you feel more stressed? Why do these activities have this effect on your stress level?
- 2. Are there any other activities that affect your stress level?
- 3. What are the two best things for you to do to reduce stress?
- 2. Compare your answers in small groups. How similar or different are the activities that cause stress for you? How similar or different are the ones that reduce stress for you?

#### **8** TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

In your conversations outside of class, notice what expressions people use to show interest. Pay attention to how they use intonation to show interest as well. Talk about what you noticed in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of fitness and stress, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

# **CHAPTER 8 Social Studies**

#### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topics:

Community and social involvement

Listening Texts:

Interview with a sociologist; on-the-street interviews about community involvement

**Listening Skill Focus:** 

Listening for specific information

Speaking Skill Focus:

Elaborating

Vocabulary:

Describing trends

**Pronunciation:** 

Unstressed object pronouns

#### 1 INTRODUCING THE TOPIC







1. Most people belong to more than one community. For example, our families are one community; the people at work or at school are another. Read the list of communities below and add any others that you can think of.

Family

Sports team

Friends

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Co-workers or classmates

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Neighbors or local community

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Online friends

- 2. Work in small groups. Discuss the questions below.
  - 1. Which of the communities listed above are you part of?
  - 2. Which communities are most important for you? Which ones are least important?
  - 3. Do you think it is important to be involved in one or more communities? Why or why not?

#### 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

#### A Preparing to Listen

Look at the statements. Circle the word that you think makes each statement true. Then compare answers with a partner. Discuss the reasons for your choices.

- 1. People in the United States are **more / less** involved in their communities than they were 50 years ago.
- 2. People are more / less interested in politics than they used to be.
- 3. Americans visit with friends and family more / less than they used to.

#### **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to an interview with a sociologist. As you listen, check your answers to the items above.

#### C Listening for More Detail

- Listen to the interview again. As you listen, choose the correct answer to each question. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
  - 1. Which example of involvement in the local community is NOT mentioned?
    - a. membership in the PTA
    - b. attending a church, synagogue, or mosque
    - c. attending meetings about local issues
  - 2. Which example of interest in the political process is NOT mentioned?
    - a. reading the newspaper
    - b. voting in elections
    - c. working on political campaigns
  - 3. Which example of informal social activity is NOT mentioned?
    - a. going out to restaurants
    - b. having friends to dinner
    - c. visiting neighbors
  - 4. Which point is NOT made about social involvement?
    - a. Places where there is a lot of social involvement have less crime.
    - b. People who are socially connected are happier and healthier.
    - c. People who are socially connected work harder and earn more.
  - 5. Which suggestion is NOT made?
    - a. People should get more involved in local elections.
    - b. People should volunteer more.
    - c. People should get to know their neighbors.

# **D** Focus on the Listening Skill: Listening for Specific Information

#### LISTENING SKILL

When there is a lot of detailed information in a lecture or a talk, it can be hard to identify the information you want to hear. Practice listening for the specific information that you want, without being distracted by other details.

- Look through the questions to identify the information you need. Then listen to part of the interview again and choose the correct answer for each question. Listen again if necessary.
  - 1. When was PTA membership very high?
    - a. in the 1950s
    - b. in the 1960s
    - c. in 1995
  - 2. What has gone down by 60 percent?
    - a. bus service
    - b. crime in certain neighborhoods
    - c. the number of people who attend public meetings
  - 3. What percentage of younger Americans read a newspaper every day?
    - a. 25 percent
    - b. 80 percent
    - c. 85 percent
  - 4. In 1900, what percentage of voters turned out to vote?
    - a. 100 percent
    - b. 85 percent
    - c. less than 50 percent
  - 5. When did people "have a better social life"?
    - a. in the 1950s
    - b. in the 1960s
    - c. in 1995

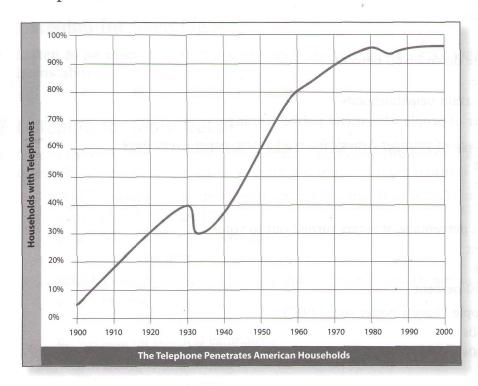
#### E Thinking and Speaking and Spe

Work with a partner. Explain in your own words what was said in the interview about each of the following topics. Then give your opinion about each topic.

- · community involvement in the past and the present
- · informal social connections in the past and the present
- the importance of social involvement in a community

## **3 VOCABULARY:** Describing Trends

1. Look at the graph and read the description. Pay attention to the words and expressions in bold.

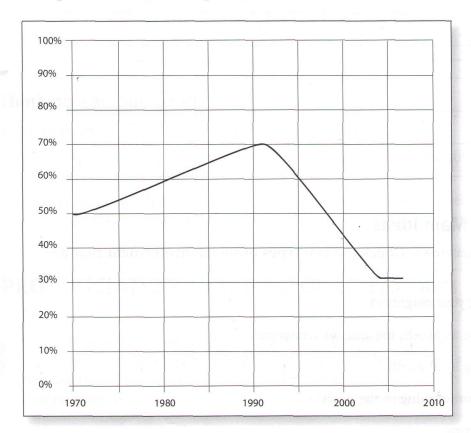


The percentage of households with a telephone **increased** steadily in the beginning of the 20th century, reaching a peak of approximately 40 percent in 1930. In 1933, the percentage fell to about 30 percent as a result of the Depression. However, between 1933 and 1970 there was again a steady **rise** in the number of households with telephones. The figure finally **leveled off** at about 94 percent between 1980 and 2000.

2. Match a word in bold from the description on page 64 with the correct definition below.

Word	Definition
increased	went up or rose
	went down or decreased
	an increase
	about or around
	in an even or regular way
	the highest point
	reached and stayed at the same leve

3. Look at the graph. Then circle the correct words to complete the description. Compare answers with a partner.



The percentage (1) increased / decreased (2) suddenly / steadily between 1970 and 1990, (3) reaching a peak / leveling off of 70 percent in 1992. After that, the figure (4) rose / fell steeply, finally (5) reaching a peak / leveling off at (6) approximately / exactly 30 percent in 2004.

4. Work with a partner. Choose one of the graphs and describe it without looking at the text. Use the words from exercise 2.

## **4** LISTENING PRACTICE

## **A** Preparing to Listen

Some students are doing a survey on social involvement. Here are some of the questions in the survey.

How many of your neighbors' first names do you know?

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## **C** Listening for More Detail

Listen again and make notes in the interviewer's chart.

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## **D** Thinking and Speaking

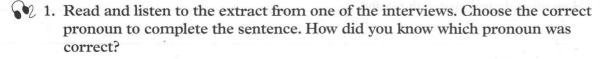
Work in pairs or small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. Think about how the three people answered the questions. Are you surprised by anything that they said?
- 2. How useful are these questions as a way to measure social involvement? Give reasons for your answers.

## **PRONUNCIATION:** Unstressed Object Pronouns



Object pronouns (*me, you, him, her, it, us,* and *them*) are usually unstressed in spoken English. They can be difficult to hear accurately because they are unstressed. Pay attention to the context in which these different words occur. This can help you identify which word is being used.



Well my parents and my brothers all live a long way away, so we only get to

see \_\_\_\_ once a year.

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- b. her
- c. them

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## **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Work with a partner. Read the situations below. For each situation, decide how you would let people know about the problem that is described and how you might persuade others to join you.

#### Situation 1

A natural disaster has happened elsewhere in the world. Nobody at your school or university has organized a way of collecting donations to help the victims. What would be the best way to collect the most possible donations?

#### Situation 2

There is a lot of trash and litter in a public park near where you live. The city authorities have told you that they do not have the money to maintain the park. You would like to get some neighbors together to help clean up the park. How could you do that?

#### Situation 3

You have a large dog that needs to be walked daily. You do not know many people in your neighborhood, but many people have dogs—and you would like to have company while you walk your dog. What could you do?

2. Work in small groups. Take turns describing what you would do in each situation above. Which plan do you think would be most successful in each case?

## **8** TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Next time you listen to the news on TV or on the radio, identify a topic on the news that you would like to know more about. Then think of some specific information that you would like to hear, and practice listening specifically for it. Talk about your experience in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of community involvement, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

## CHAPTER 9 Earth Science

### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topics: Weather and water

Listening Texts: News program about running in the rain; lecture on water projects around the world

**Listening Skill Focus:** Identifying sequencers

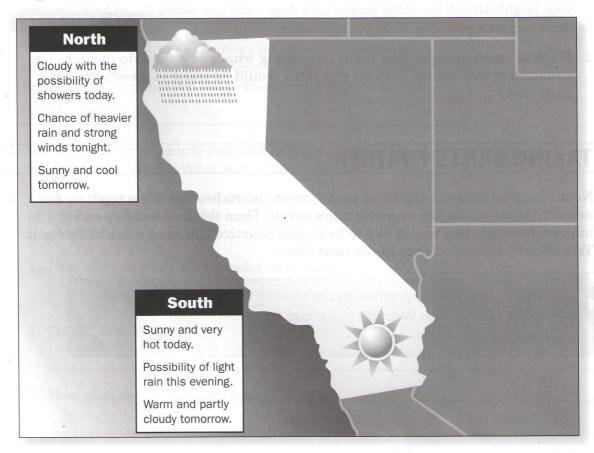
Speaking Skill Focus: Saying percentages and fractions

Vocabulary: Collocations with make and do

**Pronunciation:** Linking

## **1** INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Read the weather forecast. Then work with a partner and discuss the questions.



- 1. How reliable are weather forecasts? Why do you think this is?
- 2. What kind of weather do you prefer? Why?

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1. Work with a partner. Read the statement and the possible answers below. Discuss which answer you think is correct. Give reasons for your answer.

If it starts to rain and you don't have an umbrella, \_\_\_\_\_

- a. you will stay drier if you run to shelter
- b. you will stay drier if you walk to shelter
- c. it doesn't matter if you walk or run
- 2. Compare answers as a class. What is the most popular answer?

## **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the news report. Then check your answer from section A above. Were you correct?

## C Listening for More Detail

Listen to the report again. Make notes to complete each statement. Compare notes with a partner. Listen again if necessary.

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## Focus on the Listening Skill: Identifying Sequencers

## LISTENING SKILL

When speakers are describing or explaining events, they sometimes use sequencing expressions such as *First..., Next...*, or *Then...*. Noticing these expressions can help you understand the description or explanation more easily.

	Listen to the extract from the news report. One of the newscasters is describing the experiment that the scientists did. As you listen, number the events in the correct order. The first one has been done for you.
	They waited for a rainstorm.
	Other people were interested in the results.
	They weighed their clothes to find out how much water was absorbed.
	They measured a track outside their office.
	One man walked around the track, and one man ran around it.
	They bought identical clothes.
2 2.	Listen to the extract again. Check the sequencing expressions that the newscaster uses.
	First,
	Then,
	After that,
	After (they finished),
	In the end,
	Finally,
E Th	ninking and Speaking
We	ork in small groups. Discuss the questions.
	1. Do you think this research on manning in the rain is useful? If so, in what ways

- 1. Do you think this research on running in the rain is useful? If so, in what ways?
- 2. What other research on weather do you know of?
- 3. In what ways can weather research help us in our daily lives?

## **3 VOCABULARY:** Collocations with *Make* and *Do*

1. Read the sentences and circle *make* and *do*. Then underline the noun phrase that follows *make* or *do*.

I think it makes sense to run in the rain.

How did they do the research?

Wind makes a difference in the calculation.

Two scientists in North Carolina decided to do an experiment.



We often use *make* with things that we create, build, or earn. We often use *do* with jobs or tasks.

2. Look at the following list of items and decide whether each one is used with make or do. Add each expression to the correct column. Then listen and check your answers.

business a job a meal a profit

, a decision a list , a mistake , the shopping

housework a living money someone a favor

make	do

- 3. Read the sentences below. Circle the correct verb, *make* or *do*. Compare your answers with a partner.
  - 1. The scientists don't want to make / do a mistake in their experiment.
  - 2. It doesn't make / do sense to carry an umbrella on a sunny day.
  - 3. We need to make / do a decision soon. Everyone is waiting.
  - 4. My sister **makes / does** research for an organization that studies weather patterns.
  - 5. Let's make / do a list of the things we need before we go shopping.
  - 6. Could you **make / do** me a favor and bring me my umbrella? I think it's going to rain.

- 7. Does it make / do a difference whether I run or walk in the rain?
- 8. When the company **makes / does** a profit, the employees get a bonus at the end of the year.

## **4** LISTENING PRACTICE

## **A** Preparing to Listen

1. Work with a partner. Look at the pictures. Then make a list of the different ways that water affects our lives. Use the examples to get started.

We have to drink water.

Plants and crops need water to grow.







2. Work in small groups and compare your lists. As a group, decide what the three most important uses of water are.

B	Listening for Main Ideas
<b>6</b> 2	Listen to the lecture from a conference on global water issues. Number the water projects below in the order they are mentioned.
	Rain barrels to collect water for gardens
	Residents who built a water system for their town
	Large ponds that use algae to clean waste water
<b>C</b>	Listening for More Detail
82	Listen to the lecture again. Write T for true or F for false for each statement. Compare your answers with a partner and correct the false statements. Listen again if necessary.
	1. They had an old water system in the town of San Elizario.
	2. A typical family had a bucket of water for each member of the family.
	3. The water authorities asked the people of the town to help build the water system.
	4. The townspeople learned as they did the work.
	5. Other people now want to learn how to do a similar project in their own towns.
	6. The Calcutta Wetlands are in the center of Calcutta.
	7. The water in the ponds is clean enough to drink.
	8. The pond water is cleaned by algae.
	9. The project in Vancouver is designed to provide water for people's gardens.
	10. The Vancouver project is important because Vancouver doesn't get much rain.
D	Working Out Unknown Vocabulary
82	Listen to the extracts from the lecture. Listen for the words in italics. Choose the correct meaning for each word. Compare answers with a partner.
	1. Buckets are probably
	a. containers for carrying water and other liquids
	b. containers for cooking
	<ul><li>2. Installed probably means</li><li>a. fixed or repaired something</li></ul>
	b. put in place so something is ready to be used

- 3. To set up something probably means \_\_\_\_\_.a. to learn how to build something
  - b. to start, build, or establish something
- 4. Waste is probably \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. material or food before people have used it
  - b. material or food that is thrown away
- 5. To irrigate probably means \_\_\_\_.
  - a. to put water on crops and plants
  - b. to put new plants in the ground

## E Thinking and Speaking

Work with a partner. Discuss the questions.

- 1. Which project mentioned in the presentation do you think is most helpful? Describe the project to your partner in your own words, and say why you think it is helpful.
- 2. Do you know of any other projects related to water? If so, describe them to your partner.
- 3. Do people in your community conserve water? If so, in what ways? If not, should they? Why or why not?

## **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Linking



When a word that ends in a consonant sound is followed by a word beginning with a vowel sound, speakers often link the words by running them together without a break between. This is a natural feature of spoken language, but sometimes it is difficult to hear the linked words correctly.

1. Read and listen to the sentences. Notice how the words ending in consonants are linked to the words beginning with vowels.

It's a sunny day.

It rains a lot in the city.

Grab an umbrella.

- 2. Read the sentences. Draw linking marks where you think words ending in a consonant sound will link to words beginning with a vowel sound. Then listen and check your predictions.
  - 1. She has overseen many projects around the world.
  - 2. Vancouver is a city that gets a lot of rain.
  - 3. Calcutta is in India.
  - 4. I think it's an important issue
  - 3. Practice saying the sentences above with natural linking.

## 6 SPEAKING SKILLS: Saying Percentages and Fractions

## SPEAKING SKILL

It can be difficult to say certain kinds of numerical expressions, such as percentages and fractions. Look at the boxes below for some examples of numerical expressions and how to say them.

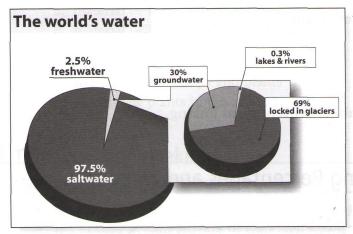
Percentage	es
97.5%	ninety-seven point five percent
30%	thirty percent
2.5%	two point five percent
0.57%	point five seven percent

Fractions	S
1/2	half
1/3	one third OR a third
1/4	one fourth, a fourth, OR a quarter
1/8	one eighth OR an eighth

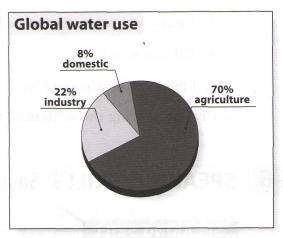
- 1. Listen to the lecturer give some statistics about water. What percentage of the world's fresh water is in lakes and rivers?
- 2. Listen again. Write the numerical expression(s) you hear for each sentence.
  - 1. 97.5% of the world's water supply is saltwater.
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ of the world's water supply is fresh water.
  - 3. Almost \_\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_\_, of freshwater is ice in glaciers.
  - 4. \_\_\_\_\_\_, almost \_\_\_\_\_\_, of freshwater is in groundwater.
  - 3. Work with a partner. Practice saying the sentences above.

## **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

1. Work with a partner. Read the information in the charts about water supply and use. Then discuss the questions.



The amount of water on Earth is fixed. Very little of the earth's water is easily accessible freshwater in lakes and rivers.



Global water use has tripled since 1950 and has been increasing faster than the world's population. Agriculture uses the most water - it takes at least 2,000 liters to produce enough food for one person for one day.

- 1. What does it mean that "the amount of water on Earth is fixed"?
- 2. How easy or difficult is it to access fresh water? Why?
- 3. For what purpose is the most water used?
- 4. Is global water use going up, staying the same, or going down? What are some possible effects of this?
- 2. Work in small groups and discuss your answers. What are some of the problems shown in these charts? What are some possible solutions?

## 8 TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

When you listen to people speaking outside of class, listen for sequencers. Do you hear the ones that you studied in this chapter or different ones? Talk about your findings in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of rain and water, go to the *Open Forum* Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

## CHAPTER 10 History

## **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topics: Explorers; Ellis Island

Listening Texts: Conversation about the discovery of America; student presentation on Ellis Island

Listening Skill Focus: Summarizing

**Speaking Skill Focus:** Giving presentations

Vocabulary: Multi-word verbs (2)

Pronunciation: Unstressed and contracted auxiliary verbs

## INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Look at the map. Find the following places:

The Bering Strait

Iceland

China

Newfoundland

Greenland

The Pacific Ocean



- 2. Work in small groups. Discuss possible answers to the questions.
  - 1. Where did the original Native Americans come from?
  - 2. Where did the first explorers to North America come from? Where did they land?

## 2 LISTENING PRACTICE

## **A** Preparing to Listen

Read the descriptions of the explorers. Then work in small groups and answer the questions.



Born in Genoa, Italy, Christopher Columbus reached the Bahamas in 1492 while trying to find a westward route to the Orient.



The Viking Leif Erikson, son of Eric the Red, was the first European colonizer of Greenland in the 10th century.



Zheng He was a Chinese scholar, diplomat, and warrior who commanded the seas in the 15th century with a fleet of treasure ships.

- 1. Which two of the explorers lived at about the same time?
- 2. How much do you know about these explorers?
- 3. What other explorers do you know about?

## **B** Listening for Main Ideas

Listen to the conversation between Aidan and Sandra. Number the people in the order that they are discussed.

The first people to come to North America
Leif Erikson
Christopher Columbus
Zheng He

## C Listening for More Detail

Listen to the conversation again. As you listen, write T for true or F for false for each item. Compare answers with a partner. Correct the false statements.

\_\_\_\_ 1. Sandra is studying for a history test.

\_\_\_ 2. The first people to come to America came from South America.

\_\_\_\_ 3. There is evidence that the Vikings reached Newfoundland.

<ul> <li>4. At the time of the Vikings, many Western Europeans believed that land in the West.</li> <li>5. Zheng He lived around 1500.</li> <li>6. Zheng He's ships and fleet were larger and more sophisticated that the Europeans.</li> </ul>	
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	n those of
7. Zheng He opened up trade between the Chinese and people in other countries.	
8. It is certain that Zheng He reached America.	BAUU
ocus on the Listening Skill: Summarizing	
LISTENING SKILL	
Summarizing is taking the main points of what you hear and restating them in one or two sentences. Use summarizing to check that you have understood the main points in a presentation or a lecture. In a talk about a person or people, one way to summarize is to answer the questions: Who is this about? and What is said about the person or people?	
to the questions.  1. Who is this about?  a. Leif Erikson  b. The Vikings	
<ul><li>2. What is said about the person or people?</li><li>a. He/They colonized Norway.</li><li>b. He/They reached Newfoundland.</li></ul>	
<ul><li>3. Now choose the best summary of Sandra's main point in this part of the presentation.</li><li>a. Leif Erickson was a Viking.</li></ul>	
<ul><li>b. Newfoundland is close to Greenland.</li><li>c. Leif Erickson sailed to Newfoundland.</li></ul>	
Listen to another extract from the presentation. Then answer the qu	estions.
1. Who is this about?	o viaO
2. What is said about the person or people?	isowiaci in in i
parşemati — filodisa til — i — giri vi a eti blitis İstadili. 🖼	en si
3. Now write a summary of Sandra's main point in this part of the presenta	ition.

## E Thinking and Speaking

Work in pairs or small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. What are the different reasons why explorers came to the New World? Why do people come to the "New World" nowadays?
- 2. Why do you think some explorers are better known today than others?

## **3 VOCABULARY:** Multi-Word Verbs (2)



Many multi-word verbs can be expressed as a single verb. For example, another way to say *go out* is *leave*. Multi-word verbs are more common in speech and in informal conversation. Single verbs are more common in writing and more formal speech.

1. Underline the multi-word verb in each sentence. Then match each multi-word verb with a verb on the right that has a similar meaning.

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_	<u>e</u> _	1.	In 1492, Columbus set out on a voyage from Spain.	a.	was discovered
9.		2.	He thought he had reached India, but it turned out to be the Bahamas.	b.	met
-		3.	The original Native Americans came in from the North.	c.	entered
-		4.	Some people believe that Zheng He got to the American continent.	d.	discovered
-		5.	Leif Erikson didn't stay in Newfoundland. He went back to Greenland.	e.	left
		6.	The first settlers went through a lot of hardships in the early years.	f.	reached
		7.	The students got together to prepare their presentation.	g.	researched
-		8.	Sandra wanted more information about exploration, so she looked it up online.	h.	returned
		9.	Sandra found out that other explorers had reached the New World.	i.	reviewed
		10.	She went over her presentation with Aidan.	j.	experienced

2. Only one of the multi-word verbs above is separable (the object can come between the verb and the particle). Which one is it? Read the sentences again and find it.

3. Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the multi-word verbs from exercise 1.

Last summer a group of us of	climbed to the top of Mount Wood. We planned
the trip carefully. Drew (1)	looked up the area online and
(2)	that there was a hut at the top of the mountain where we
could stay. We (3)	a few weeks beforehand to discuss the trip
and make plans. We (4)	the route several times, so that
everybody would know the v	vay. Finally the day came. We (5)
happily and with enough foo	od for several days. Unfortunately, Debbie sprained her
ankle on the first day and ha	nd to (6) home, but other than
that, it was an unforgettable	trip. We expected the weather to be cold, but it
(7)	to be bright and sunny every day. After three days, we
(8)	the top of the mountain. The view was incredible!

## 4 LISTENING PRACTICE

## **A** Preparing to Listen



Work in small groups. Look at the photograph taken at Ellis Island. Discuss the questions.

- 1. What do you know about Ellis Island?
- 2. What do you think is happening in the picture?

	to a presentation about Elli ney are mentioned.	is Island and number the topics in the order
	_ The "kissing post"	
9 <u>- 1 - 1</u>	The dining hall	
1	Researching your family bac	kground
<u> 11.</u>	_ Arriving at Ellis Island	
7	_ The inspections	
iste	ning for More Detail	
he pr part	resentation again and add mener. Listen again if necessar	
	pic	Notes
1.	Possessions that people brought to America	7
2.	The first meal	ISTEMBNG PRACTICE
3.	How and why some people were held back	repailing to hitten
4.	The Great Hall	
5.	The "kissing post"	
6.	How Melissa's aunt found out about her grandfather	

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3.	Detained probably means  a. stopped or prevented from leaving b. entertained
4.	A fiddle is probably  a. a kind of game  b. a musical instrument
5.	A <i>relative</i> is probably

## a. a member of the same family

## b. a small town

## E Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. How has the process of immigration changed since the days when people arrived at Ellis Island by boat?
- 2. Why do you think people like to research their family background?
- 3. How much do you know about your own family background? Would you like to know more?

## **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Unstressed and Contracted Auxiliary Verbs



Auxiliary verbs such as *was, were, can,* and *would* are often unstressed or contracted in spoken English. They can be difficult to hear accurately. Practice identifying contracted and unstressed auxiliary verbs as much as possible.

<b>S</b> 2	1.	Listen to	the extracts	from t	the presentation.	Fill in	the	missing	auxiliary
		verbs.							

1.	Our presentation is about Ellis Island. We went there last week and took a tour,
	and we going to describe some of the things that we found out. First
	Grace and I talk about the process
2.	When they finally landed at Ellis Island, they put on all the clothes
	they owned, because they allowed to bring in only one bag with their
	possessions from the old country.

	3.	They crowded together, and it was often very hot and very loud. You
		imagine
	4.	He died before I born, but apparently he was a great musician. He
		play the fiddle and sing at family events. Well, Joan knew that he
		come from Cork, in Ireland
82	2. Li	sten and repeat the sentences. Be careful not to stress the auxiliary verbs.
		They were crowded together.
		I can imagine.
		He was born in Ireland.
	4.	He would play the fiddle.
	5.	He had come from Cork.
6	SPI	EAKING SKILLS: Giving Presentations
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	SP	PEAKING SKILL
		s important to prepare well for presentations. This will make
		ar presentation clearer, and will help you feel more relaxed and
	cor	nfident when you present.
	1. W	ork with a partner. Discuss the questions.
	1.	How do you feel about speaking in public? For example, how do you feel about
		giving presentations or reports in class?
	2.	What do you think is the best way to prepare for public speaking?
		ead the strategies for giving presentations. Add one or two more strategies. hen compare your answers in small groups.
	1.	Don't try to say too much. Limit your presentation to a few main points.
	2.	Write your outline on index cards that are easy to refer to.
	3.	Talk through the presentation with a friend beforehand, or rehearse it by yourself.
	4.	Speak clearly during the presentation. Don't rush. Pause at changes of topic.
	5.	Look at the audience as much as you can. Make eye contact with different people in the audience.
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## **SPEAKING PRACTICE**

1. Choose one of the following topics (or use your own idea) and prepare a short presentation. First, write down as many ideas about the topic as you can think of.

Topics:

Adapting to a different culture

reg ex seream A story about one of my ancestors or relatives

My family history

A historical event that affected my life

- 2. Put the ideas in order. Prepare an outline of your presentation on a notebook page or on index cards.
- 3. Talk through your presentation with a partner.
- 4. Give your presentation in front of the class. Use some of the strategies that you discussed in your group.

## TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Outside of class, observe people speaking in public (giving a lecture or a speech). Notice how they stand, how they use eye contact, and how they speak. Try to think of some more strategies for giving presentations. Talk about your ideas in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of history, go to the Open Forum Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

## CHAPTER 11 Math and Technology

## **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topics: Math; computers

Listening Texts: Radio program on the Fibonacci sequence; lecture on human computers

**Listening Skill Focus:** Listening for examples

**Speaking Skill Focus:** Giving opinions and responding to opinions

Vocabulary: Adjectives with -ing and -ed endings

**Pronunciation:** The –ed ending

## **1** INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Work with a partner. Make a list of the different ways that you use math and numbers in your everyday life.



2. Work in small groups and compare your lists.

## **2** LISTENING PRACTICE

## A Preparing to Listen

1. Work with a partner. Look at the sequence of numbers on the next page. See if you can figure out what the pattern is. What numbers come next in the sequence? Compare ideas with other students.

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21 ...

2. Look at the pictures and notice the number of petals on each flower. Do you see a pattern in the number of petals? How does the pattern relate to the sequence above?



## **B** Listening for Main Ideas

You are going to listen to a radio program about the Fibonacci sequence. As you listen, number the topics in the order they are mentioned.

 Discovery of the Fibonacci sequence
 The sequence in art and music
 The sequence related to the human hand
 Numbers in the sequence
 The sequence in the natural world

## C Focus on the Listening Skill: Listening for Examples

## LISTENING SKILL

Speakers often give examples to clarify their point. The examples usually come after the point. Listening for the examples can help you understand the point that the speaker is making.

Listen to the program again. Write one example that is mentioned for each topic. Then compare answers with a partner.

Point	Example		
1. The sequence in the natural world.	flowers,		
2. The sequence in the human hand.			
3. The sequence in art.			
4. The sequence in music.			

## **D** Listening for More Detail

<b>3</b> 2		the radio program again. As you listen, write $T$ for true or $F$ for false statement. Then compare answers with a partner. Listen again if $y$ .
	_	1. Each number in the Fibonacci sequence comes from the previous two numbers.
		2. The sequence includes the number four.
		3. The sequence ends when it gets to a very high number.
		4. The numbers mentioned related to the human hand are all numbers in the sequence.
	1.17	5. The sequence appears in Leonardo da Vinci's paintings in the form of spirals.
		6. The sequence appears in art, but never in music.
	1.530	7. A mathematician discovered the sequence in the early 1300s.

8. Fibonacci also introduced other mathematical ideas.

## E Thinking and Speaking

Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. How has the work of mathematicians changed since the time of Fibonacci?
- 2. Why do you think the Fibonacci sequence has fascinated mathematicians and scientists for more than 800 years?
- 3. How important do you think mathematics is for everyday life?

## **3 VOCABULARY:** Adjectives with *-ing* and *-ed* Endings

1. Many adjectives are formed by adding *-ing* or *-ed* to a verb. Read the sentences and the underlined adjectives. Which form (*-ing* or *-ed*) describes how the person feels? Which form describes what makes her feel this way?

The Fibonacci sequence is <u>fascinating</u>. Emma wants to learn more about it. Emma is fascinated by the Fibonacci sequence. She wants to learn more about it.

2. Look at the adjectives below and check that you know what they mean. Use a dictionary if necessary.

bored / boring

intrigued / intriguing

confused / confusing

surprised / surprising

exhausted / exhausting

tired / tiring

interested / interesting

3. Circle the correct adjective forms to complete the paragraph.

My friend Mindy is really (1) **interested / interesting** in mathematics. I think it's because she's very good at it. I'm not good at math, and usually I don't find it

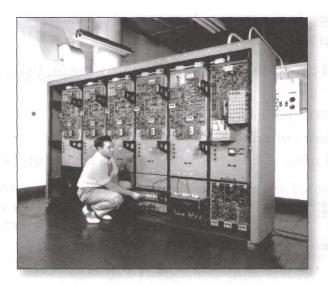
- (2) **interested / interesting**. Most of the time math is (3) **confused / confusing** to me, and I'm (4) **bored / boring** by it. Mindy usually helps me with my math homework. Last week we studied the Fibonacci sequence at school, and for once, I was (5) **intrigued / intriguing** by something mathematical. In fact, it was
- (6) **fascinated / fascinating**. I stayed up until 3:00 a.m. reading about it. Of course, I was (7) **exhausted / exhausting** at school the next morning. Mindy was really
- (8) surprised / surprising when I told her why I was so (9) tired / tiring.

- 4. Work in small groups. Discuss the questions.
  - 1. What school subjects do you think are interesting or intriguing?
  - 2. Which subjects are sometimes confusing to you?
  - 3. What makes you feel tired or exhausted?
  - 4. When was the last time you were really surprised?

## **4** LISTENING PRACTICE

## A Preparing to Listen

1. Work in small groups. Look at the photographs. Discuss the development of computers. How have computers changed? How have computers affected our lives?





2. Compare your ideas as a class.

## **B** Listening for Main Ideas

- Listen to a lecture about human computers. Number the topics in the order they are mentioned.
  - 4 Human computers in World War I and World War II
  - A book about human computers
  - A mathematical model of the orbit of Halley's comet

  - 9 Division of labor

## **C** Listening for More Detail

	ner. Listen again if necessary.
1.	What is the focus of the class that this lecture is from?
	as a article elivide). With verbs through not find in a first lidt saund. The -cual fi
2.	How many people worked together to calculate a model of Halley's comet?
	i. I man in the sentednes, in which three scutences with the calendary
3.	How long did they work?
	C. He started with a small wrone
4.	How did the French civil engineer manage to prepare 19 volumes of math tables?
	6. The integlibility work after six years.
5.	How long did it take?
	in the sequences are the sequence of the seque
6.	What kind of work did human computers do in World War I and World War II?
	finished needed placed starts and warders
	<u>. A specification desployed and but is eftended described a long and world of excision.</u>
7.	What type of people often worked as human computers?
0	Why did the author of the book about human computers become interested in the t
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## **D** Thinking and Speaking

Work with a partner. Discuss the questions. Then compare answers in small groups.

- 1. What roles do humans play in computing nowadays? How do you think this will change or not change over time?
- 2. How do you think computers might change in the future?

## **5 PRONUNCIATION:** The –ed Ending



When pronouncing past tense verbs with -ed endings, add the extra syllable pronounced /id/ when the verb ends with a /t/ or /d/ sound (such as want or divide). With verbs that do not end in a /t/ or /d/ sound, the -ed ending does not add an extra syllable.

- 1. Listen to the sentences. In which three sentences is the -ed ending pronounced with an extra syllable?
  - 1. An engineer wanted to prepare 19 books.
  - 2. He started with a small group.
  - 3. They worked together.
  - 4. They divided the work.
  - 5. He hired 80 human computers.
  - 6. They finished the work after six years.
  - 2. Practice saying the sentences above. Listen again to check your pronunciation.
  - 3. Write sentences about yourself in the past tense. Use these verbs (or your own ideas). Then work with a partner and say your sentences.

finished needed played started wanted worked

## 6 **SPEAKING SKILLS:** Giving Opinions and Responding to Opinions

#### **SPEAKING SKILL**

When you are having a discussion, use the expressions in the chart below to give your opinion and to respond to other people's opinions.

<b>Giving an Opinion</b>	Agreeing	Agreeing in Part	Disagreeing
I think	I agree.	Maybe, but	I don't agree.
I don't think	rijus, vandroji	I see your point, but	I'm not sure. / I'm not sure I agree.

- 1. Listen to the conversation. What are Monica and Toby discussing?
- 2. Listen again. Which expressions do the speakers use to give opinions and respond to opinions?

## **7** SPEAKING PRACTICE

you use for each of the activities?
Communicating with friends and family:
Studying and doing research:
Listening to music:
Watching movies:
Keeping track of your schedule and appointments:
Taking photos:

1. Work with a partner. Look at the list of activities. What types of technology do

- 2. Work in small groups. Compare your answers from above. Then discuss the questions below.
  - 1. Compare technology in your life with technology when your parents were children. Think about the activities above and say how each one has changed because of technology.
  - 2. In your opinion, has technology made life simpler or more complicated?
  - 3. In your opinion, what has been the most important development in technology in the past 50 years? Give reasons for your answers.
  - 4. If you had to stop using two kinds of technology, which ones would be easiest for you to give up?

## **8** TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

Listen to people giving opinions outside of class and pay attention to the expressions they use. Talk about what you noticed in the next class.



For additional listening practice on the topic of computers, go to the Open Forum Web site (www.oup.com/elt/openforum) and follow the links.

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## CHAPTER 12 Law

### **ABOUT THIS CHAPTER**

Topic: Crime and the law

Listening Texts: Interview about restorative justice; radio call-in program about legal questions

Listening Skill Focus: Identifying important points

**Speaking Skill Focus:** Rephrasing to check understanding

Vocabulary: The adjective endings -al, -ent, -ive

**Pronunciation:** Intonation with wh– questions

## 1 INTRODUCING THE TOPIC

1. Look at the newspaper headlines. In which story has a person been found guilty?

Man Arrested in Robbery Case

Sixteen-Year-Old Offender Will Be Treated as an Adult

Kidnappers Release Boy Unharmed

4.

# Rock Star Is Victim of Purse Snatching



5.

# Harrison Pleads Not Guilty on all Charges

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6.

## Woman Convicted in Museum Robbery



- 2. Find a word or expression in each headline to match the definitions below. Then compare answers with a partner.
  - 1. Picked up by police and taken to a police station: \_\_\_\_\_\_ arrested

  - 3. Let someone go: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. A person who has been injured or killed in a crime or accident:
  - 5. States in court that he or she did not commit a crime:
- 3. Work with a partner. Discuss the questions.
  - 1. What crimes do you commonly read or hear about in the news?
  - 2. How are these crimes usually punished?

## LISTENING PRACTICE

## **A** Preparing to Listen

- 1. Work with a partner. Discuss the questions.
  - 1. Do you think prison is an effective form of punishment for crimes? Give reasons for your answer.

    2. What kinds of punishment are most effective? Why do you think so?
- 2. Work with another pair and compare your answers to the questions. Do you all agree?

В	Listening for Main Ideas
	Listen to the interview about restorative justice. Then answer the question.
	What are the two main aims of restorative justice? Mark the correct answers.
	To punish the offender
	To make the offender take responsibility for the crime
	To keep the offender out of prison
	To send the offender to prison
	To restore the victim of a crime
C	Listening for More Detail
<b>6</b> 2	Listen to the interview again. Write $T$ for true or $F$ for false for each statement Then compare answers with a partner. Correct the false statements. Listen again if necessary.

hen co	omp	ne interview again. Write $T$ for true or $F$ for false for each statement. Dare answers with a partner. Correct the false statements. Listen cessary.
	1.	According to the radio program, many people commit crimes again after they have spent time in prison.
	2.	Restorative justice focuses on punishing the offender.
	3.	In a typical restorative justice program, the offender must do something to make up for the damage that has been done.
	4.	According to Robert Sherman, some criminals do not feel responsibility for the damage they cause.
	5.	Victims often feel more afraid after they meet the offenders.
	6.	Restorative justice programs are particularly effective with young people.
	7.	Restorative justice is only used in the United States.
	8.	Restorative justice systems have been used by traditional societies.

## Pocus on the Listening Skill: Identifying Important Points

## LISTENING SKILL

When you are listening to formal talks or lectures, pay attention to expressions such as *in particular*..., *in fact*..., or *the main thing is*.... Speakers often use these expressions to emphasize an important or unusual point.

Listen to the extracts from the interview. After each extract, choose the answer

that best completes the important point the speaker is making. Write down the expression the speaker uses to emphasize the point.
<ol> <li>The speaker wants to emphasize the fact that restorative justice</li> <li>a. is an old-fashioned way to deal with crime</li> <li>b. focuses on the effects of the crime on the community</li> <li>c. aims to help the offender take responsibility</li> </ol>
The speaker uses the expression:the main thing is
<ul><li>2. The speaker wants to emphasize the fact that</li><li>a. the boys cause a lot of damage</li></ul>
<ul><li>b. the boys confess to the crime</li><li>c. the boys meet the victims of the damage</li></ul>
The speaker uses the expression:
<ul><li>3. The speaker wants to emphasize the fact that</li><li>a. the victims take part in the process</li><li>b. meeting the offenders helps victims feel less afraid</li></ul>
c. the victims have a chance to tell their side of the story  The speaker uses the expression:
<ul> <li>4. The speaker wants to emphasize the fact that</li> <li>a. restorative justice is used all over the world</li> <li>b. there are different kinds of restorative justice programs</li> <li>c. restorative justice programs are sometimes based on traditional systems</li> </ul>
The speaker uses the expression:

## E Thinking and Speaking and provide the ball the patients and no supply the

Work in pairs or small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. How might you use restorative justice to deal with the following criminals?
  - Someone who steals and crashes a car
  - A powerful businessperson who steals money from his or her own company
  - Someone who seriously injures another person during a robbery
- 2. Can you think of any cases where a restorative justice approach would not work well?

## **3 VOCABULARY:** The Adjective Endings –al, –ent, –ive

1. Adjectives often end in -al, -ent, or -ive. Underline the adjective endings in this sentence. Then add the adjectives to the chart.

Restorative justice is a different approach to the traditional court system.

-al	-ent	-ive
criminal federal legal political local	current innocent recent violent present	active alternative effective positive negative
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2. Read the following paragraph. Complete the paragraph using words from the chart. The first letter of each word is given.

I like to watch the (1) local	news every day because
I want to know what is happening	in my area. I also enjoy TV programs
about (2) <u>c</u>	events. I enjoy reading about politics
and watching shows about (3) _p	issues.

3. The following paragraph summarizes the radio report about restorative justice. Complete the paragraph using words from the chart. The first letter of each word is given.

Restorative justice is an (4) a
approach to dealing with crime, and it is particularly
(5) <u>e</u> with young offenders. Research
indicates that restorative justice programs have
a (6) p effect. These programs are
gradually being introduced to the (7) c
justice system and are used even for (8) v
crimes such as murder.

4. Read this advertisement for a lawyer's office. Complete the advertisement using words from the chart.

JACKSON AND ROBERTS LAW FIRM
Did you know that credit card fraud is a (9) _ f
offence? If you have been a victim of credit card fraud, contact our
lawyers for free (10)advice.
Dial 1.800.LAW HELP

5. Work with a partner. Think of a recent news story about a crime or about politics. Tell your partner about the news story.

## 4 LISTENING PRACTICE

## **A** Preparing to Listen

Work with a partner. Discuss the legal questions below.

- 1. If you find something valuable on the street, can you legally keep it? Can you sell it and keep the money? What should you do?
- 2. If a visitor is injured in your home, are you legally responsible for the injury? Do you have to pay for the victim's medical costs? Does it matter whether you own the home or rent it?

B Lis	stening	for	Main	Ideas
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- Listen to the radio show. Answer the questions.
  - 1. What advice does the lawyer give in the first situation?
    - a. The woman must return the painting to the owners.
    - b. The woman should return the painting to the owners.
  - 2. What does the lawyer say about the second situation?
    - a. The tenant is not liable (legally responsible for damage) in this situation.
    - b. The tenant could be liable in this situation.

## C Listening for More Detail

- Listen to the radio program again. As you listen, choose the correct answer to complete each statement. Compare your answers with a partner. Listen again if necessary.
  - 1. Patty found a painting \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. in her neighbor's yard
    - b. in front of her home
    - c. in front of her neighbor's home
  - 2. After she took it home, she discovered that the painting was \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. signed
    - b. stolen
    - c. valuable
  - 3. She can legally keep the painting because \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. her neighbors threw it away
    - b. she found it
    - c. she found that it was valuable
  - 4. The lawyer thinks that she should return the painting because \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. her neighbors want it back
    - b. her neighbors didn't know it was valuable
    - c. her neighbors could hold her responsible
  - 5. The danger in Andrew's house is \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. a hole in the floor
    - b. a hole in the stairs
    - c. on the second floor
  - 6. Andrew is worried because \_\_\_\_
    - a. he might get hurt
    - b. he can't afford to repair it
    - c. someone might get hurt and hold him responsible

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c. both Andrew and the landlord	
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Listen to the extracts from the radio program. Lise expressions in italics. Choose the correct meaning answers with a partner.	sten for the words and g for each one. Compare
1. The <i>curb</i> is probably	
a. the edge of the sidewalk near the street	
b. the middle of the street	
2. Ethically probably means	
a. according to the law	
b. morally, in terms of right and wrong	
3. Legally obligated probably means	
a. expected to do something	
b. required to do something by law	
4. Notify probably means	The second secon
a. inform someone of something	
b. visit someone	
Thinking and Speaking	

7. Andrew has \_\_\_\_ about the situation.

a. told the landlord

## Thinking and Speaking

Work in pairs or small groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1. In the first situation, do you agree with the lawyer's advice to return the painting? Would you follow that advice?
- 2. Think of another situation like the second case where a renter could be held responsible for an injury or for damage. Why is it important for a tenant to notify a landlord in writing?

## **5 PRONUNCIATION:** Intonation with *Wh*– Questions



Wh— questions (questions that use who, what, when, where, why, or how) are usually spoken with falling intonation, like statements. This can make it difficult to recognize questions, because the intonation is the same as for regular statements.

- 1. Listen to the questions from the radio program. Repeat the questions, paying attention to the intonation.
- 2. Listen to the questions about the radio program. Write the questions.

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3. Ask and answer the questions in pairs. Use falling intonation when asking the questions.

## 6 SPEAKING SKILLS: Rephrasing to Check Understanding

## **SPEAKING SKILL**

Rephrasing is one way to check that you have understood what a speaker has said. Use the expressions in the box to rephrase what someone else says.

Oh, you mean . . . You're saying / You said that . . . So you think . . . So you want to know . . .

1. Listen to an extract from the radio program. What rephrasing expressions do you hear?

## 7 SPEAKING PRACTICE

- 1. Work in small groups. Discuss each situation. Try to answer the question that is asked in each situation.
  - "I bought a used car from my neighbor.
     When I took it on a test-drive, it ran fine,
     so I paid him \$2,000 for the car. However,
     since bringing it home, I've had several
     problems. Now, the car won't even start!
     I just want to return the car and get my
     money back. What rights do I have?"
- 2. "My friend and I signed a one-year agreement for our apartment. We each paid half the rent for six months. Now she has left to move in with another friend, and the landlord is asking me to pay the whole rent by myself. Can the landlord do this?"
- 3. "I was riding my bike past a neighbor's house when their dog ran out and tried to bite my leg. I fell off the bike and injured my right arm. I couldn't go to work for two weeks. The dog's owner said his dog had never done that before. Is the dog's owner liable for the money I lost?"
- 2. Now read the legal information about each situation. After reading the legal information, what advice would you give each person?
  - 1. According to United States law, if you buy a used car from an automobile dealer, the dealer usually has to honor whatever warranty he or she gave. But if you buy a car from a private owner, you are taking a chance. In this case, the seller is not legally required to give you your money back or even to repair the car.
  - 2. According to United States law, since you signed the lease, you are responsible to pay the full month's rent if the other person does not pay.
  - 3. According to United States law, the dog owner is often not liable if this is the first time the dog has ever attacked anyone. However, many states are taking a stricter approach, so you could win a case even if this is the first time the dog has behaved this way. Of course, you have a better chance of winning the case if you can prove that the dog has attacked people before.

## 8 TAKING SKILLS FURTHER

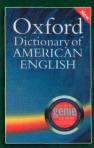
The next time you have difficulty understanding what someone is saying, try to rephrase what the person has said using one or more of the rephrasing expressions. Talk about your experiences in the next class.



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