1A Pronunciation

Vowel sounds

fish /ɪ/

tree /i/

cat /æ/

egg /ɛ/

clock /ɑ/

saw /ɔ/

bull /ʊ/

boot /u/

1A Listening

In conversation with Marianna Leivaditaki

Part 1

Interviewer Marianna, what was your favorite food when you were a child?

Marianna Well, at home we ate a funny mixture because of my parents. So, my dad was a Cretan fisherman and we ate lots of fresh fish every day, and my mum was Scottish, so we used to have bacon and eggs for a Sunday breakfast, or amazing apple pies. But I think my favorite food is fish. I absolutely love it, and I think it's my number one choice every time.

Interviewer Did you have fresh fish every day?

Marianna Yes, we were really lucky because not all families could do that, could eat fish every day. So even being from an island and being surrounded by water, fish can be really expensive, so having my dad being a fisherman was the best thing that could ever happen to us.

Interviewer Did your dad catch fish for the family or for the restaurant?

Marianna For both. Except for lobsters. So every time he caught a lobster, we would never ever sell it. So he would keep it for the family. We would boil it in salty water, and when it was ready, open it and just drizzle it with olive oil and a squeeze of fresh lemon. And it was just so amazing. So we were lucky that he never sold the lobsters because we got to enjoy every single one of them.

Interviewer Were you interested in cooking when you were a child?

Marianna Oh yes, I spent every evening in our restaurant, and instead of playing with other children, I usually helped in the kitchen. I absolutely loved doing that and being surrounded by all the cooks. I used to collect lots of recipes and write them down in my blue notebook, which I still have, by the way.

Interviewer So your love of food and cooking came from your parents?

Marianna From my parents and also from my aunt, and all the lovely ladies that were in our neighborhood and taught me so many amazing recipes over the years. My aunt Koula was a massive influence in my love for food because she had her own animals, her own garden. She used to know everything about foraging wild food. And she used to make the best lunches I've ever had. So, yes. Those are the people that really influenced me.

Interviewer Did you ever eat out, in other restaurants, when you were a child?

Marianna Never in the evening because our restaurant was open for dinner seven days a week. Occasionally at lunchtime, my mum would take me and my brother into town and we

would all share a *souvlaki*, which is very traditional or, not really traditional, but very popular in Greece – lovely soft pita bread, thin slices of pork, oregano, tomato, onion, and then lots of Greek thick yogurt, so delicious street food, let's say.

In conversation with Marianna Leivaditaki

Part 2

Interviewer So, did you always want to be a chef, and to have your own restaurant?

Marianna Not at all. I wanted to be a psychologist. When I was 18, I came to the UK, at the university of Kent. And after my studies, I realized that, actually, I didn't want to be a psychologist. So I went on a cycling trip around Europe – well, France and Spain – and then I went to Ecuador for six months, which was amazing. Now these trips were what reignited my passion for food, and I fell in love with food again, and wanted to cook more and more and more. And that's what led me to where I am today.

Interviewer So you started cooking professionally?

Marianna I went back to Crete and cooked in our family restaurant for two years.

Interviewer Why did you come back to the UK?

Marianna I wanted to continue working as a chef, but I needed a bigger challenge. And when I was a student in the UK and I missed good food, I used to save money to go to London to have dinner in a restaurant called Moro. It wasn't Greek food, but it was Mediterranean, Spanish, North African, and I loved it. So, when I came back to London, I went to Moro and I said, "I want a job" – and they gave me one.

Interviewer What happened then?

Marianna Well, really slowly, and through hard work, and after seven years, I became head chef and it was magic. A few years later the owners of Moro, Samuel and Samantha Clark, came to me and said, "Would you like to help us open Morito?" And I was thrilled.

Interviewer Morito was a huge success. So why did you leave?

Marianna Well, because I became a mama, to this amazing boy called Ermis, and the restaurant world is quite difficult, so being a head chef in a very busy restaurant requires a lot of devotion, a lot of hours, a lot of hard work, and so it was a very conscious decision for me to say, "Actually, now, I would like to spend more time with my son" – and that's what I did.

Interviewer So what are you doing now, Marianna?

Marianna Now, I'm doing a lot of different things, and they're all very creative. I develop recipes, I write recipes down for magazines, I cook for local mums and families, and I look after this beautiful café in Enfield. I have also written *Aegean*, which is my own cookbook, and it's like a life journal, which I love and will cherish forever.

1B Vocabulary & Speaking

Family

Family life is changing all over the world, and it's not just the structure of the family, but also its habits. Surveys of American family life show some surprising statistics.

Fifty-six percent of all American households include

children of any age. Seventy-three percent of the parents are married couples, six percent are cohabiting couples, and twenty-one percent are single parents. Fourteen percent of Americans have one child, twenty-eight percent have two, twenty-seven percent have three or more. Twenty percent of single parents of children under 18 are men. Ninety-eight point eight percent of marriages are between opposite-sex couples and one point two percent are between same-sex couples. On average, women get married at 28 and men at 30. Over twenty percent of families are blended; that is, with parents and children from different relationships. More than fifty percent of people between the ages of 18 and 24 live with their parents. Over seven percent of US families are multigenerational; that is, they have at least three generations living in the same household.

Eighty-six percent of people aged 18 to 29 think it's very important to spend time with family, while 93 percent of people over 65 think it is. Seventy-three percent of families with children under age 18 eat together most of the time. Fifty percent of families eat while the TV is on. Thirty-two percent of adults visit friends or extended family a few times a week. Twenty-seven percent of people have family members who they never speak to. Seventy-three percent of Americans usually get their local news from family and friends.Thirty-one percent of Americans argue with their in-laws about politics.

Pictures of You Episode 1

Where are they now?

Max Hi, boss.

Izzy Max. Are you in the office?

Max I am.

Izzy Have you finished the designs?

Max Yes? Well, not completely finished.

Izzy Max...

Max Relax, I'll finish them by the end of the day.

Izzy You know we're presenting to the head of design first thing in the morning, don't you?

Max I know! Don't worry. I'll finish them, and Dominic will love them. I'm sure of it.

Izzy I hope so. I'm relying on you.

Pamela Ben? Ben Fischer! What a surprise! How are you?

Ben Oh, hi, Pamela. Wow! Nice to see you. Yeah, I'm fine. How are you?

Pamela I'm very well. So…what are you doing here?

Ben Well, this is my photography show. My exhibition opens on Friday.

Pamela And is this your work?

Ben Yeah.

Pamela Fabulous. I'd love to see more.

Ben It's not finished yet, I…OK, but please don't touch anything!

Reacting to what people say

Carla Izzy! Hi! It's been so long!

Izzy Carla! I don't believe it. Do you still work here? I thought you left ages ago.

Carla I left last year. But now I'm back. My old boss was leaving, so I had the chance to take the shop over.

Izzy Wait, so…

Carla It's my café now!

Izzy You're kidding! That's amazing! Congratulations!

Carla Thank you. It's been hard work. Can I get you a coffee?

Izzy Yes, please.

Carla Flat white?

Izzy Perfect.

Carla Do you still work for that magazine?

Izzy Yes, I do.
Carla And is that Max guy still your boss?
Izzy Actually, no. I have some good news too.
Carla Really? What's that?
Izzy I got a promotion and I'm Max's boss now.
Carla Really? Wow! That's great news! Good for you.
Izzy Yeah.
Carla So, have you seen Ben recently?
Izzy No. I haven't seen him in more than a year.
Carla Oh, that's a pity.
Izzy Well, that's life. Do you still see him?
Carla Yeah, I do.
Izzy How's he doing?
Carla Really good, actually. He's having a big photography show soon.
Izzy How fantastic! I'm so happy for him.
Izzy Hello. Oh no! One moment. Sorry, Carla. I have to go, it's work.
Carla No problem! It was lovely to see you.

You say phrases: Reacting to what people say

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Feeling confident?

Pamela These photographs are fantastic, Ben. Congratulations.
Ben Hey, thanks, Pamela.
Pamela You're looking really well.
Ben I am well. Yeah. I just finished my course. And I'm working now. I just need some clients, though.
Pamela That's exciting. I'm sure you'll do very well.
Ben Thank you. How's Izzy doing?
Pamela Oh, she's well. She got a promotion at the magazine. She's doing very well there. Very well.
Ben Well, that's great. I'm happy for her.
Pamela In fact, I'm seeing her later. We're meeting for coffee.
Ben Really? Well, say hi from me.
Pamela So you two aren't in contact at all?
Ben No, we aren't. I haven't seen Izzy since we broke up.
Pamela Oh, that's a shame, Ben. I'm sorry you broke up.
Ben To be honest, I don't really know why it happened. It was complicated. We just wanted different things, I guess…
Pamela Well, I'll tell her I saw you.
Sue Ben! Can I speak to you?
Ben Oh. Yes. Of course, Sue.
Pamela I'll say goodbye, then. It was good to see you, Ben.
Ben Great to see you too, Pamela. Take care.

Sue Ben. I need you to make the payment on the rent. It's £800, remember.
Ben Yeah, of course. Sorry, Sue. I'll make the transfer right now.
Sue Good.
Izzy Yeah, Dominic. It'll all be ready by the morning.
Dominic Great, great. I'm looking forward to seeing it. We have to show London in an original and exciting way. This could be an amazing feature, Izzy.
Izzy It will be.
Dominic Good. Show me what you can do.
Carla You'll never guess who I saw today!
Pamela You'll never guess who I saw today!

Social English phrases

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Ben Great to see you too, Pamela. Take care.

2A Vocabulary

Money

How is she paying?

Why is she putting coins in the jar?

Why are they running?

What's she doing?

Why doesn't he buy the shirt?

What are they getting from the bank?

What's he doing?

What's she making?

2A Pronunciation & Speaking

The letters *o* and *or*

up /ʌ/

clock /ɑ/

phone /oʊ/

2A Grammar

Present perfect and simple past

Kate Have you seen our gas and electricity bill? It arrived this morning. I'm going to send it to you.
David Wow! Have we paid the house insurance yet?
Kate I don't think so.
David Oh dear…

Kate What's in your package?
David What package?
Kate That one, behind your chair.
David Let me show you.
Kate Nice sneakers! I haven't seen those before. Are they a new model?
David Yes, they just came out. Do you like them?
Kate They're great! Were they very expensive?
David Oh, not very. What's in yours?
Kate Oh, it's just something I ordered last week. I'll open it later.
David Go on, open it now. Nice jeans!
Kate Yes, they're amazing.
David Maybe I should send the sneakers back.
Kate Yes. Maybe I should send the jeans back, too.

2A Reading & Listening

A WhatsApp scam

Since the pandemic, I've been doing a lot of shopping online, and different shops tend to use different delivery people. So, I wasn't really surprised when I got a text message from FedEx, saying that they had tried to deliver a parcel for me, but I had been out.
They gave me a link to click on to rearrange the delivery for the next day or something like that. I couldn't remember what it was that I'd bought, but because I'd bought so many things…um…I just thought, "Oh, I'm sure it's something that I ordered." So, I clicked on the link, and it took me to a web page, which looked perfectly authentic and it asked me for information. So, first, it asked me for my name, then it asked me for my address, then it asked me for my date of birth. And suddenly, I thought, "This is a bit strange. Why is it asking for my date of birth?" But…uh, I put it in, and then I…I went on to the next page, and it said, "In order to redeliver your package, you need to pay two pounds fifty pence" or something like that – a very small amount – and it asked me for my bank details.
And suddenly, at that moment, I remembered that I'd been reading about a scam where people had been asked to pay a small amount for a package to be delivered from the post office or from one of these delivery companies, and they looked completely authentic, but in fact, it was a scam to get your bank details. And I felt so stupid that I'd started to put my details in because I know all about scams. I'm always telling my mother, "Be careful about scams!" and yet I still fell for it. I still almost believed it, but, luckily, I didn't put my bank details in, and nothing has happened since then, so I assume nothing has happened. But it does show how easy it is to…um…to believe these scams and to fall for them.

2B Listening

Welcome to Adelante Africa Secondary School

Adelante Africa Secondary School opened in 2017. Like most Ugandan secondary schools, it is a boarding school, and there are four levels, Senior One, Two, Three, and Four. Since it opened, students have been getting really good exam results, and the school is regularly rated the best in the district. A third of the children are sponsored, as their parents are not able to afford school fees. The children will now show you round the school
This is the Senior Four classroom. We are...we are in an English lesson. We are learning about formal letters. For example, how to write apology letters, application letters, how to apply for a job. And we are revising for an exam, which we are going to do next week.

In Adelante Africa Secondary School we have got two co… two science laboratories. This is one of the laboratory and Senior Four students are doing their chemistry practical paper.

This is computer lab for Adelante Africa. It consists of 20 computers. We study computer and make research for other subjects. It is connected to internet by Wi-Fi.

In Adelante Africa we feed them well during the week; we eat posho and beans. And during the weekend we change the diet, of course, to rice and meat. Yeah, they feed us on vegetables and fruits as you can see. Yes, and they help us to grow well. Yeah, right here are the stoves we use to cook our meals. Yeah, this is where we cook our food from.

This is one of the boys' dormitories at Adelante Africa Secondary School, where boys come and rest after classes. We keep it clean and tidy.

This is the girls' dormitory. The students sleep with the mosquito nets on their beds. It's a very organized room.

This is sports field of Adelante Africa Secondary School, Igayaza. Students, they come here to play football, netball, and volleyball.

At Adelante Africa Secondary School, we have the music, dance, and drama club. And here you see the Senior Three performing.

The motto of Adelante Africa Secondary School is "Education Changes Lives," and staff and students work very hard to make this come true.

2B Grammar

Present perfect + *for* / *since*, present perfect continous

Interviewer Evas Katusiime is the head teacher of the Adelante Africa Secondary School. How long have you been working here?

Evas I've been working at the Adelante Africa Secondary School since January 2, 2022.

Interviewer And how long have you been a teacher?

Evas I've been a teacher for 23 years. I started working in September 1999.

Interviewer What changes have you made to the school since you arrived?

Evas Since I arrived, I have made so many changes, but I'm going to talk about a few. When I came, I realized that there was need to improve time management…For example, lunch was taking a full hour, and I believe that was a waste of time, so I made sure that break is for twenty minutes and lunch is for forty minutes so that we can utilize the remaining time.

Interviewer Have you been doing anything new this term?

Evas Yes, I have been doing something different this term, whereby I introduced a project to work with the boys. The boys this term have done art pieces, such as flowerpots out of cement and sand, cooking stoves, pavers…I have also grown vegetables to improve the diet of our students, so we no longer buy vegetables from the market because we have plenty of them in the school garden.

Interviewer What do you like best about

Adelante Africa Secondary School?

Evas What I like best about Adelante Africa Secondary School is my teachers. Because they are cooperative, respectful, and hard workers. When there is something to do, we approach it with energy, with vigor, and finish it in a short time. I love my teachers. So far so good!

2B Listening

The Great OUP Bake Sale

Narrator People do many different things to raise money for charity. These runners are doing the New York Marathon. Every year, the race raises about $40 million. And these people are doing a sponsored skydive. There are also ways to raise money without exercising or jumping out of an airplane. These people are bringing cakes to a charity bake sale. The popularity of bake sales as increased dramatically over the last decade, thanks, in part at least, to the popularity of *The Great British Baking Show*.

This show, which began in 2010, has encouraged people of all abilities to bake, especially when it's for charity. Today's sale – at Oxford University Press – will raise money for two charities: Macmillan Cancer Support and Adelante Africa, a charity that supports education and other projects in a rural area of Uganda. But this bake sale is different – it's also a competition and will be judged by Daisy Watt and Emma Collen, who are chefs and professional bakers.

And from the minute the posters appeared, people have tried to persuade their colleagues to join in.

James I don't know. I'm not a very good baker.

Emma Oh, go on. It's for charity.

James Hmm, maybe, maybe.

Narrator Emma is going to make Viennese Whirls – cookies with buttercream and jam.

Emma I bake quite often, probably once or twice a month. It's one of my main hobbies that I enjoy – um, kind of a stress-reliever for me, just being in the kitchen by myself, with some music on, just enjoying baking.

Narrator James is going to make a sponge cake with blueberries.

James I bake not that often, maybe about, I don't know, once a month or something, I might bake. Um, when I, when I do, it's usually baking with my kids, I suppose, so, um, you know, we make something really easy, like cookies or something like that.

Narrator The finalists in this competition bake sale are a baklava cake, a Neapolitan cake, Emma's Viennese whirls, a loaf cake, and a chocolate cake.

And it's now time to judge the five finalists.

Daisy That's fantastic! Very clever and you've even done the different-colored icing in between – a labor of love…Really good sponge. The chocolate sponge is delicious. It's not

over chocolatey, it's just…

Narrator And then to choose the winner.

Daisy So I've conferred enough, because it is really close, but there is one winner, who has obviously put so much effort, not just in the decoration, but also her sponge is technically brilliant. So, are you going to come up here?

Review and Check 1&2

Can you understand these people?

1 Philomena

Interviewer What do you eat to cheer yourself up when you're feeling sad?

Philomena I love roast potatoes, baked potatoes. They're warm, buttery, nice olive oil. They make me feel good.

Interviewer Does it make you feel better?

Philomena Yeah, usually it does. I think they're quite refreshing, warm. When you're feeling down, I think they're the perfect remedy.

2 Mark

Interviewer How often do you eat out?

Mark Well, my wife would probably like me to eat out a little bit less, but probably about two to three times a week.

Interviewer What kind of places do you go to?

Mark You know, it always kind of depends. I think that people like to eat in three or four different restaurants in their town no matter what, and it's usually one of those three or four, usually pizza, Mexican, or Asian.

Interviewer Why do you like these kinds of restaurants?

Mark I guess part of it is it's the type of food that you can't normally prepare at home, so it's something a little bit different. Otherwise, it's just tasty.

3 Ross

Interviewer Do you have brothers and sisters?

Ross I have step brothers and sisters – two stepsisters and one stepbrother.

Interviewer Do you get along with them?

Ross Yes, we didn't grow up together, but we're now all adults and we get on really well.

4 Tyler

Interviewer Have you ever won any money, for example, in a lottery?

Tyler No, I haven't…ah…actually, I've won like five dollars from a scratch off lottery thing.

Interviewer What did you do with it?

Tyler I'm pretty sure I went to McDonald's and treated myself.

5 Richard

Interviewer Have you ever taken part in a charity event?

Richard I have, yes. I ran the London Marathon, I think about eight years ago now. For Cancer Research.

Interviewer How much money did you raise?

Richard About £6,500.

3A Pronunciation

/ʃ/, /dʒ/, and /tʃ/

shower
/ʃ/
crash
rush
station

jazz
/dʒ/
bridge
journey
traffic jam

chess
/tʃ/
adventure
catch
coach

3A Reading & Listening

Race to the airport
Part 1

All Welcome to New York City!

Nicky Today is race day, and it's an exciting one. We're going from here, Times Square, the center of New York, to JFK Terminal A, the home of British Airways and American Airlines.

Liam Well, there's plenty of ways to get to JFK and there's only two of us, so I think we're going to need a bit of help to get there.

Nicky We've got some of our amazing US colleagues. Come on, guys! Get in! Get in! Are you ready to race?

All Yes!

Madison I'm Madison, and I'm headed to JFK in a cab, and I'm taking Liam along with me.

Tanner I'm Tanner, and I'm taking the Long Island Rail Road.

Melanie I'm Melanie, and I'm taking the subway.

Nicky And I'm Nicky, and I'm going to take The Blade helicopter, so I think I've got you all beat, right? Are you ready to race? Three, two, one! Let's go!

Melanie I am running to 50th and 8th, dodging crowds. It's going to be tough to win, but I'm going to give it my all.

Madison Alright, first things first, we need to hail a cab. Slight problem…I've never hailed a cab.

Liam I assume it's the same in London as it is here. There's plenty of cabs about.

Madison I hear it is all about confidence.

Tanner OK. I'm taking the Long Island Rail Road. You could take the 7 train to Grand Central. It's a brand new terminal, but I'm close enough. I'm going to walk. I actually think if I hurry, I could maybe beat Nicky on the helicopter.

Nicky There is no way any of them are going to beat me. I'm going to be taking The Blade helicopter. They don't stand a chance…I'm taking a helicopter! Do they not understand? What's happening is: Blade are putting on a car service for me. It's at the W Times Square. I'm going to jump in the car. It takes me to the heliport. [I] get on the helicopter, I'll fly to JFK. It's going to be really quick. So hopefully everything goes smoothly, hopefully there's no traffic, hopefully I'll make it to the helicopter, hopefully I catch my breath.

Race to the airport
Part 2

Nicky OK. We're here. Thank you, sir. The

moment of truth. I've arrived. But is anybody else here? I don't see anybody. Winner! Winner! This is it! I've done it! I can see a train here. Maybe somebody's on that. I can see a few cars around. Maybe someone's in one of those. But, this race was mine.

Liam Thank you so much.

Nicky I see cameras. I see a Madison.

Madison You're here!

Nicky Too slow! Too slow! But you probably had quite a relaxing time, right?

Madison It was so lovely.

Nicky OK. We are the first two, though.

Madison We are?

Nicky And this is pretty good, and you weren't long after me. Here he is…

Liam We were close.

Madison Were were so close.

Nicky Good job, guys. Let's wait for the next.

Melanie Now Tanner and I are a team. Now we're just the public transportation team. I'm looking…oh, I see them, I see them! It's pretty clear we didn't win. I think I'm going to try to race past Tanner so I can get third place because I told you earlier, I hate to lose.

Tanner We're going to die!

Melanie Where are we going?

Tanner Oh, wait we're already up? Arrivals or departures? This is insane. Oh my God. Now where?

Melanie I'm already so sweaty.

Tanner One more escalator.

Nicky Well done. Look at that. You lost, though.

Tanner That's OK.

Narrator So how did the four forms of transportation compare?

Well, for speed, Nicky knew the helicopter was actually the fastest. Second was the yellow cab with Madison and Liam. Melanie came in third using the subway. And Tanner came in last using the Long Island Rail Road.

What about comfort? The winner again was the helicopter. Nicky said it was a luxurious and quick experience. Liam and Madison also enjoyed their trip in the cab. Tanner's trip was a little more relaxing because he took a train, and Melanie's trip was the least comfortable on the subway.

And finally, price. Which was the cheapest? The clear winner was the subway, at only $10.75. Next was the Long Island Rail Road, at $13. Third was the yellow cab at $98. Last was the helicopter, at a whopping $295.

But all five of them were happy with the way they traveled and wouldn't mind going that way again.

3B Pronunciation

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a
about
accident
complain

problem
question
talkative
usually

Pictures of You Episode 2

Izzy gives a presentation

[Previously…]

Izzy Carla! I don't believe it. Do you still work here?
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Pamela Ben Fischer! What a surprise!
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Ben How's Izzy doing? I haven't seen Izzy since we broke up.

[Pictures of You title screen]

Max Coffee, boss.
Izzy Thank you. Have you finished the pages for Images of London?
Max Don't worry. I finished them last night. We're ready to go.
Izzy I'd like to see them before the meeting.
Max Relax! Dominic's going to love them.
Izzy What am I looking at?
Max The new Images of London design.
Izzy This is not what we talked about at all.
Max What, don't you like it?
Izzy It's…um… How can I say this nicely? It's boring. And these photos aren't original at all. These are the same old images we've seen so many times before. Why didn't you do what I asked you to?
Max I…I thought this was better.
Izzy These are the photos we've chosen and we think they're very iconic.
Dominic Stop! What is this, Izzy? This isn't new or exciting. I told you I wanted something new and unique! These images are all so clichéd.
Izzy I'm sorry. We…I had some issues.
Dominic I want the real London. I want it to be fresh. I want it to be unique. I want people to look at it and say, "Wow. London is cool. London is the place to live." This isn't good enough. These photos look like a…London tourist brochure.
Izzy I know. I'm sorry, Dominic. It's my fault. Can you give me some time to put it right?
Dominic You've got two days to come up with something much better. And I want the photographs to be exceptional. And Izzy...
Izzy Dominic.
Dominic I don't want to be disappointed again.
Max Well, that didn't go very well, did it?
Izzy No, it didn't.

Giving opinions

Izzy OK, let's start again. We need a completely new and exciting vision of London.
Max Personally, I think we didn't go big enough. I think the photos of the most exclusive restaurants and the

most luxurious hotels are great. But we just need more glamorous images.

Izzy To be honest, I think you're wrong. People are tired of that. Anyway, our magazine isn't just for rich people. It's for everyone.

Max Oh, sure. But if you ask me, people want to see what they can't have. London is a glamorous city – that's what people dream about. That's what people want to see.

Izzy I don't agree. You think everyone wants the same thing. In my opinion, we need to show the readers something they've never seen before. A side of London they didn't even know existed. A hidden London.

Max I don't think that's right. I think people want to see the most iconic sights in London. Don't you agree?

Izzy OK, I agree people like the iconic sights of London, but they've probably seen them already. There is so much more for them to see. Things they haven't seen before. We just have to find it and show it to them.

Max Fine…so how do we do that?

Izzy I don't know…yet.

You say phrases: Giving opinions

Izzy OK, let's start again. We need a completely new and exciting vision of London.

Max Personally, I think we didn't go big enough.

Izzy To be honest, I think you're wrong. People are tired of that. Anyway, our magazine isn't just for rich people. It's for everyone.

Max Oh, sure. But if you ask me, people want to see what they can't have.

Izzy I don't agree. You think everyone wants the same thing. In my opinion, we need to show the readers something they've never seen before.

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Izzy OK, I agree people like the iconic sights of London, but they've probably seen them already.

Pamela has an idea

Pamela So, how's work?

Izzy It could be better. It's very stressful at the moment.

Pamela Why's that?

Izzy It's Max. He let me down.

Pamela Again?

Izzy I asked him to do an important job and he didn't do it properly.

Pamela That's annoying.

Izzy It's very annoying! Why did I trust him? I know what he's like.

Pamela Don't blame yourself, Izzy. You're Max's boss. You can't do it all on your own.

Izzy But this is an important project for the magazine. And now we only have two days to get it right. Dominic is really unhappy about it.

Pamela You need some inspiration.

Izzy No. It isn't inspiration I need. I want to show the real London. I know exactly the kind of images I need. But I don't have enough time to find them.

Pamela What do you mean by "the real

London"?

Izzy I want to show a side of London the readers of our magazine have never seen. Not the London you always see in magazines. Not the London the tourists always see. I want to show the hidden London. The secret London…And to show the real people that live there.

Pamela Izzy, I think I can help you.

Izzy Can you? How?

Pamela I have an idea.

Ben Sorry, the exhibition isn't until tomorrow. Izzy.

Social English phrases

1

Izzy I'd like to see them before the meeting.

Max Relax! Dominic's going to love them.

2

Izzy This is not what we talked about at all.

Max What, don't you like it?

3

Izzy I'm sorry, Dominic. It's my fault.

Dominic You've got two days to come up with something much better.

4

Pamela So, how's work?

Izzy It could be better.

5

Izzy I asked him to do an important job and he didn't do it properly.

Pamela That's annoying.

6

Izzy I know what he's like.

Pamela Don't blame yourself, Izzy.

4B Grammar

Ability and possibility

Conversation 1

A Oh, hi, Ashley. What are you doing here?

B I was looking for a physics book, but I couldn't find it. And you?

A I need a copy of Dante. *La Divina Commedia*.

B *The Divine Comedy*?

A Yes, but I want it in Italian, not in translation…Here it is.

B Can you speak Italian well?

A Yes, I can speak it very well.

B Lucky you! I'd love to be able to speak a foreign language well.

Conversation 2

A I love that picture. Who did it?

B It was my son, Marco. He did it when he was about six or seven.

A Does he still draw or paint?

B No, not really. He went to art classes after school for about six months, but he wasn't that interested and he decided he didn't want to go anymore. But I think he was really good. I love this picture.

A When I was a kid, I could draw really well. Now I'm hopeless.

B I've never been able to draw or paint. Not even when I was younger.

4B Listening & Speaking

Teachers' tips for practicing English

Nam

Hello. If you are looking to improve your English outside of class, one thing you can do is to watch the English language movies or TV shows with subtitles in the English language. This will help you improve your listening skills and pick up new vocabulary. Good luck!

Panoraia
Hey, Nelson, I think a great tip is to use social media in English. I mean, in the past, we used to have pen pals, right? Nowadays, it's so easy to reach out and find English-speaking accounts. You can make friends with people from all over the world with whom you might share the same interests, and in that way, you can improve not only your speaking skills, but also your reading and writing skills.

Begoña
Hi, Nelson. A fun way to practice English outside the classroom is to be a tourist in your town. You can join a group of English-speaking visitors and listen to the guide's explanations. You can interact with them and make new friends. Another idea is to go to the local museums and set the audio guides in English. If you follow my advice, you will learn about your town, you will make new friends, and you will practice English.

Frank
Hi, Nelson, here's a tip for you to practice English outside of class. Consider keeping a voice diary in English. Using a voice recorder or a smartphone app, record yourself speaking in English every day, or every week. Talk about your daily experiences, thoughts or anything you find interesting. This will help you practice your speaking and pronunciation skills. Listening to your previous recordings, and comparing them with your newer ones, will show you the progress you've made over time. You can also share your recordings with a friend, teacher, or language exchange partner, for feedback on your pronunciation and speaking style. Give it a try, Nelson. Keeping a voice diary is a fun and effective way to improve your spoken English. Good luck!

Anna
A very nice way to practice your English is to find a friend at the same level as you and talk to each other in English, even chat online in English. You can also use an application which will help you find the words that you don't know and use them there on the spot, while you are talking. I think you will enjoy that.

4B Listening

"Hello" in different languages

Goeiemôre, Bonjour, Shalom, Buongiorno, Goedemorgen, Yassas, Hola, Privet, Guten Tag, Hi, Bon dia

4B Listening

An interview with Alex Rawlings

Alex All of the languages that I speak are fun. I think that's why I've stuck with them and enjoy speaking them. I think I have the, the, the deepest emotional connection with Greek because my grandmother was from Greece, and so we use Greek in my family as well, and I've heard it ever since I was a child. But I also really like speaking German.

Interviewer What new languages would you like to learn?

Alex There are so many languages that I would love to learn in the future. As I said, I'm hooked, so…I'm, I'm very interested in Chinese at the moment. I work with someone from China, who's teaching me little bits. And I think it's really cool when I hear her speaking to her family or friends on the phone in Chinese and think, "Wow! Wouldn't it be really awesome to speak that?" I also, I organize an international conference for polyglots every year, which moves country, so

last year it was in Iceland and this year it's going to be in Slovenia. So I'd like to learn some Slovene as well before we go there for the weekend.

Interviewer Have you ever tried to learn Welsh, Irish, or Scottish Gaelic?

Alex I always feel a little bit guilty that I'm from the UK, but I've never really learned any of our local languages here. So I've never learned Welsh, I've never learned Irish, I've never learned Scottish Gaelic. And I went to Wales recently and loved that we had everything in two languages. You walk into the supermarket and you see all these languages everywhere. And I thought, "I think it would be really cool to learn a language which is very close to where I live and that I could use." So I'd love to learn Welsh one day, too.

Interviewer What's the most difficult language you've learned?

Alex The biggest challenge for me with learning a new language was with Russian. There were a number of things that I wasn't expecting to be hard that were. For example, there's a whole new alphabet, which, it's not too different to English – you get used to it – but when you're trying to learn a word, it's just an extra barrier to memorizing that word. First, having to read it and understand what all of the letters mean and then having to actually memorize it. So there's that extra layer there.

Interviewer What's the easiest language you've learned?

Alex Well, the easiest language for me to learn was definitely Afrikaans, because the grammar's very, very simple, so there are almost no irregular verbs, there's only three real tenses you have to worry about, and a lot of the vocabulary in Afrikaans is very similar to vocabulary in English. So, for example, there's this sentence which is, "My pen is in my hand and my hand is in warm water," which in Afrikaans is, "My pen is en my hand and my hand is in warm water," which, you know is very, very easy for English-speakers to learn. So the easiest languages to learn are the languages that are most similar to the one you speak natively because you don't have to learn so many new concepts, and maybe you can already understand a lot of the vocabulary because it's similar to what you already know.

Review and Check 1&2

Can you understand these people?

1 Lewis

Interviewer How do you get to work?

Lewis Um, I usualy get to work by taking the bus or the subway.

Interviewer How long does it take?

Lewis Usually about an hour.

Interviewer What do you think is the best way to get around New York?

Lewis I definitely think the best way to get around New York is the subway.

2 Butterfly

Interviewer Do you think women are better than men with young children, or do you think that's just a stereotype?

Butterfly I think that, um, it is definitely a stereotype that women are just better with children than men are. I believe that both sexes provide children with valuable – equally valuable – experiences, um, so I definitely trust either sex to raise children and love children, you know, with the same styles and the same quality, and, you know, respect and love.

3 Coleen

Interviewer Are there any stereotypes about men and women that you think are true?

Coleen I think women do think differently to men, um, and I think conversations tend to be different as well. Women are much more into, um, "what did you say and what did he say, and what did you feel" and all the rest of it, and men are far more pragmatic and, you know, just want to know the score, as it were.

4 Jenny

Interviewer How many languages do you speak?

Jenny I speak English and I also speak Afrikaans.

Interviewer Is there a language you'd like to be able to speak?

Jenny I would very much like to be able to speak Spanish.

Interviewer Why Spanish?

Jenny Because Spanish is spoken all over the world and I feel it's...it would be...it's important to be able to communicate with more people.

5 Tyler

Interviewer Is there anything that people do with their phones that really annoys you?

Tyler It annoys me when people...like you're trying to have a conversation and they're just sitting there texting somebody else or having a conversation with people that aren't, you know, in front of them.

5A Pronunciation

/ɔː/ and /ɜː/

course
court
four
score
sport
warm up

girl
hurt
serve
shirt
work out
world
worse

5B Pronunciation & Speaking

The letter *s*

summer
busy
sure
decision

5B Vocabulary

Relationships

I met Suniel when I was in college. We got to know each other quickly because we went to the same classes. We soon became friends. We discovered that we had a lot in common. For example, we both liked art and music. We went out together in our second semester and we fell in love. We were

together for two years.
In our last semester, we started to argue a lot, and we broke up. After we graduated, we lost touch because I moved to another city.
Five years later, we got in touch again on social media. We were both still single. This time, we got along better than before, maybe because we were older. After two months, we got engaged.
We got married last summer. A lot of our old college friends came to the wedding!

Pictures of You Episode 3

Setting up Ben's show

[Previously…]

Izzy Have you finished the pages for Images of London? This is not what we talked about at all.

Dominic What's this, Izzy? This isn't new or exciting. You've got two days to come up with something much better.

Izzy Let's start again. We need a completely new and exciting vision of London.

Max Fine…so how do we do that?

Izzy I don't know…yet. I want to show the real London.

Pamela Izzy, I think I can help you.

Ben Sorry, the exhibition isn't until tomorrow. Izzy!

[Pictures of you title screen]

Carla Look at the time!

Ben Sorry I'm late.

Carla I have better things to do than wait for you, Ben Fischer.

Ben OK, I'm sorry.

Carla I'm only joking. Here.

Ben Thanks. And, uh, thanks for helping me set up today.

Carla My pleasure. Come on. Let's do this.

Ben Yeah!
So, how much would you pay for this?

Carla Um. £5?

Ben Carla!

Carla What?

Ben Be serious. How much should I ask for? £80?

Carla No!

Ben £100?

Carla Ben. You need to be more confident.

Ben You think it's worth that?

Carla Trust me. How many photos do you have?

Ben Thirty.

Carla So, at that price, how many do you need to sell?

Ben Thirty.

Carla Really?

Ben Yeah. Hopefully. Life in London is expensive, and this gallery space isn't cheap.

Carla Have you paid for the space yet? Can you afford to?

Ben As I said, hopefully. And with some luck, I can make some contacts and get some more work.

Ben No, Carla…I can't…

Carla You can pay me back when you sell some photos.

Ben But…this is too much.

Carla I want to help. It's what friends are for.

Ben I…Thanks, Carla.

Carla You're welcome. You're a great photographer, Ben. Now you need to learn to be a good businessman.

Permissions and requests

Ben Hi, Sue! Sorry. Do you mind if I open some windows? It's very hot in here.
Sue Of course not, Ben.
Ben Thanks. Also, is it OK if we move this table over there?
Sue Yes, that's OK.
Ben Thank you. OK. Perfect. What's next? Where's my camera? Oh no.
Carla What's wrong?
Ben Could you do me a big favor?
Carla Oh no. What have you forgotten?
Ben I left my camera at home. I really need it. Would you mind going to get it?
Carla Not at all. I'll go and get it right now.
Ben Oh... Thank you!
Also…Do you think you could pick up some coffee while you're out?
Carla I'm on it. Don't worry. But…you owe me one.
Ben Thank you!

You say phrases: Permissions and requests

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Carla I'm on it. Don't worry. But…you owe me one.
Ben Thank you!

An unexpected visitor

Carla Cheers!
Ben Cheers! Thanks for all your help today.
Carla No problem. It was a pleasure. I'm really proud of you.
Ben Thanks, Carla.
Carla I mean it. I love your photography.
Ben Well, you can take your pick. You can have any print you want, as a thank-you.
Carla Maybe you could take a new one, especially for me.
Ben Sure. I can take your portrait if you'd like.
Carla That would be nice.
Ben Didn't I lock the door?
Sorry, the exhibition isn't until…tomorrow. Izzy!
Izzy Ben.
Ben What are you…What are you doing here?
Izzy Well, Pamela told me about your show and I wanted to come and see for myself.
Ben Oh…I, um…hi.
Izzy Hi. It's good to see you, Ben.
Ben Yeah. You too. How are you?
Izzy I'm good. Working hard.
Ben Of course.
Izzy But everything's going well. I recognize this one.
Ben Aha. Yeah. My finest work.
Izzy £150. Surely I'm worth more than that?
Ben Well, what are you offering?
Izzy Actually, I'd like to talk to you about

	something.
Ben	Uh…sure.
Izzy	Shall we go for a walk? I'll buy you a drink.
Ben	Um, yeah…I mean, um…
Carla	Hi, Izzy.
Izzy	Carla? Hi.
Carla	I'm going home. Bye, Ben.
Ben	Oh. You're leaving? OK, see you, Carla. Oh, and thanks…Thanks again for your help today.
Carla	That's OK…
Izzy	Um…Shall we go?
Ben	Yeah. Yeah.

Social English phrases

1	
Ben	Thanks for helping me set up today.
Carla	My pleasure.
2	
Ben	You think it's worth that?
Carla	Trust me.
3	
Carla	Cheers!
Ben	Cheers! Thanks for all your help today.
4	
Carla	I love your photography.
Ben	Well, you can take your pick.
5	
Ben	You can have any print you want, as a thank-you.
Carla	Maybe you could take a new one, especially for me.

6A Pronunciation

Regular past participles

filmed
used
dubbed
subtitled

finished
released
based
looked

recorded
directed
situated
acted

6A Pronunciation

Irregular past participles

paid
made
taken

said
spent
meant
read

grown
known
spoken
stolen

done
drunk
shut
won

gone
shot
gotten
forgotten

bought
caught
drawn
fallen

written
driven
built
given

6B Grammar

Modals of deduction

Alexis Ohanian was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1983. When he was 22, he and his friend Steve Huffman created reddit.com, an online bulletin board. One year later, the friends sold reddit.com, and they became millionaires.
In 2011 and 2012, Ohanian was named an important figure in the technology industry in *Forbes's* "30 Under 30." His business interests now include hosting a podcast, investing, and technology. In 2020, he and a group of women including his wife, Serena Williams, became the owners of a new women's soccer team in Los Angeles called Angel City FC.

Deshun Wang was born in 1936 in Shenyang, in China. When he was in his 20s, he became an actor and performed in many Chinese movies over the following decades. At the age of 79, he started to work as a model, and is now known as "the world's hottest grandpa." In 2017, he became brand ambassador for Reebok. He is still in great shape and enjoys ice skating!

Luz Acosta was born in Guaymas, in northwest Mexico, in 1980. She started weightlifting as a teenager and was soon competing for her country. She took part in the Olympics in Beijing in 2008, where she came in eighth. After that, she competed in the London Olympics in 2012, where she came in sixth. However, some years later, the gold and silver medalists were found to have had positive doping tests, and in 2017, she was awarded the bronze medal. She was sad that she was never on the podium, but happy to be an example for clean competition.

Maggie Aderin-Pocock was born in London. Her parents were Nigerian. As a child, she told her teachers that she wanted to be an astronaut, but they told her she should try nursing. However, she studied physics at a university in London and became a space scientist. Since 2014, she has hosted the popular TV astronomy show *The Sky at Night*. She has several honorary degrees and has won many awards, including a gold medal from the Physics Institute and a Sky Women in Film and Television award. In 2023, Mattel created a Barbie doll of Aderin-Pocock to celebrate International Women's Day.

6B Pronunciation

Dipthongs

What are diphthongs? Diphthongs are a combination of two vowel sounds. For example, the /ɔ/ sound and the /ɪ/ sound set together to make the /ɔɪ/ sound.

6B Listening

A day with a personal stylist

Narrator Sam Alexander is an actor. Today, he's going to visit a personal stylist, Elin Mai, at a shopping mall.

Sam I thought my wardrobe was getting quite boring and I dress up a lot for my job as an actor. Sometimes I don't give any thought to my own

wardrobe, so I was keen to sort of refresh things a bit and get a new opinion…Hi, Elin.

Elin Hello, Sam! Welcome!

Sam Thank you very much. Nice to meet you.

Elin Nice to meet you, too. Welcome to the Fashion Lounge.

Sam Thank you very much.

Elin I think having your unique personal style is something that's incredibly important to each and every individual. And everyone should ideally try and find their own personal style as well.

Narrator Before this session, Sam has filled in a questionnaire with everything from his sizes to his dress sense.

Elin With every session, we sit down at the beginning and we have a chat about their questionnaire, so we go into a bit more depth…And then, we would ask them more questions about their lifestyle as well. Now the consultation usually lasts, you know, fifteen to twenty minutes, but the consultation actually continues throughout the session as well. So those little questions about their lifestyle – and I find out things about what they like and what they dislike, and about the shops that they've gone to in the past and about their relationship with clothes.

Narrator After Sam and Elin have visited a few stores, they return to the Fashion Lounge and Elin divides the clothes into four outfits.

Elin Wow! What another entrance!

Sam So this is a staple – everyone should have one of these.

Elin Everyone should have a denim shirt.

Sam See, I haven't. Brilliant.

Narrator But which outfit does Sam like best: outfit one, outfit two, outfit three, outfit four?

Sam Hmm, I think outfit two really, because it was quite bold. I felt very smart in it and I wouldn't have worn those kind of things.

Narrator So what are Elin's golden rules?

Elin I would say my golden rules would be to look at your own wardrobe to begin with before even going shopping because without knowing what you've got, you can't go out and buy the right things.

Narrator Is there one item that Elin thinks everyone should have?

Elin I do think that everyone should have a good pair of jeans in their wardrobe that fits them perfectly, that makes them feel good about themselves. Did you enjoy today?

Sam I did. It was absolutely brilliant. It exceeded my expectations. It was really great fun.

Narrator Although not everyone needs Elin's help, for Sam the day with a personal stylist has clearly changed his wardrobe and his attitude to it.

Elin Take care.

Sam Thank you again. Bye.

Elin Bye!

Review and Check 5&6

Can you understand these people?

1 Philomena

Interviewer Do you prefer doing sports or watching them?

Philomena Probably doing it. I find watching it

really boring.

Interviewer What sport do you play?

Philomena Uh, I don't do a lot. I'd say I don't mind tennis, swimming in variation -- depends on the weather.

Interviewer What sports do you like watching the most?

Philomena If I had to watch one, I like the rhythmic gymnastics or the diving, like for example at the Games, when they're on TV.

Interviewer Why do you like them?

Philomena I think because they're kind of like a dance, it's like a routine, it's very graceful. It's not as rough as sport.

2 Rachel

Interviewer Do you know anyone who has gone out with someone they met online?

Rachel I know lots of people who've gone out with people they've met online.

Interviewer How did it work out?

Rachel A couple of people are married, for some of them they're still with the other person, and for a lot of them it didn't work out.

3 Gina

Interviewer Have you ever cheated on an exam?

Gina I have definitely cheated on an exam.

Interviewer How did you cheat?

Gina I had friends with me or I would write it on a piece of paper or on my hand.

Interviewer Were you caught?

Gina I have never gotten caught cheating on an exam.

4 Tyler

Interviewer What's your favorite movie of all time?

Tyler My favorite movie of all time is *John Wick*.

Interviewer How many times have you seen it?

Tyler I have seen it at least ten times.

Interviewer Why do you like it so much?

Tyler A lot of action. A lot of blood. Just good fights.

5 Miranda

Interviewer Do you have a profile photo?

Miranda Yes, I have a profile photo on my Facebook, and Instagram, and Twitter.

Interviewer What is it?

Miranda The photo, the profile photo on my Facebook page is of me and my husband in Las Vegas on our anniversary.

Interviewer Why did you choose it?

Miranda Um, my make-up looked good.

7A Vocabulary

Education

OK everyone, here's your review test.
There are eight questions. Choose A, B, or C.
Ready?
Question one: In which continent is the Mekong River?
A) Asia, B) Africa, or C) South America.
Question two: What year did World War II start?
A) 1936, B) 1939, or C) 1945.
Question three: What's the square root of 36?
A) 3, B) 6, or C) 9.
Question four: What does "OS" stand for in computing?
A) Output Software, B) Online Security, or C) Operating System.
Question five: Who discovered the law of gravity?
A) René Descartes, B) Isaac Newton, or C) Galileo Galilei.
Question six: How many books are there in *The Lord of the Rings*?
A) one, B) three, or C) five.

Question seven: In what part of the body is the tibia? A) the arm, B) the back, or C) the leg.
Question eight: What's the most common chemical element on Earth?
A) carbon, B) hydrogen, or C) oxygen.

7A Grammar

First conditional and future time clauses
Part 1

Olivia Hi, Ana! It's so good to see you! How are you? What's going on?

Ana Hi, Olivia! I'm good! I got an A on my biology test, so I'm really happy! How did you do on your big test for college?... I can't remember what it's called…

Olivia Oh, you mean the SAT – the Scholastic Aptitude Test.

Ana Yes, that's it! Did you take it at school?

Olivia Well, I took it at school, but we use an online version.

Ana Oh, interesting…How many subjects were on the test?

Olivia There aren't exactly "subjects," but three areas: Reading and Writing, which basically cover the content of English classes, and Math.

Ana Do you think you did well?

Olivia Oooh, I don't know. I'm sure I did well, but I'm worried I didn't do well enough...

Ana Why are you worried about your scores?

Olivia Because I really want to go to MIT, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. And probably, they won't accept me unless I have a combined score of 1500 or higher.

Ana Do you think you'll get that score?

Olivia I don't know. I think I did well on the Reading and Writing section, but I'm a little worried about the Math section.

Ana When will you get your scores?

Olivia They'll go online in about a week. Believe me, as soon as they're posted, I'll look them up.

Ana How will you celebrate if you get the scores you want?

Olivia Hmm. I don't want to plan any celebrations until I get the results.

Ana And, what will you do if you don't get the score you need?

Olivia Ugh. I don't want to think about it. If I don't get into a good college, my parents will kill me. No, I'm just joking. I really want to go to MIT, so I guess I'll study extra hard and then take the SAT again.

Ana That makes sense! So, I have to go now, but let's talk again when you know your scores! I'm sure they'll be good ones, but good luck anyway!

Olivia Thanks.

First conditional and future time clauses
Part 2

Olivia Hi, Ana

Ana Hi, Olivia. Oh I can tell from your face that your SAT scores, uh, weren't exactly what you wanted.

Olivia Yeah... I got 750 on the Reading and Writing section, but only 580 on Math. Not quite good enough.

Ana Oh, I'm so sorry to hear that, Olivia. What are you going to do now?

Olivia Right now, I don't know... When I feel a little more positive, I'll decide what to do. But I'd really like to study at

MIT, so I might take the test again in a few months.

Ana How did your parents react? Were they angry?

Olivia No, Mom and Dad were really nice – they know how disappointed I am.

Ana I'm sure everything will work out for you in the end. And… I'm always around if you want to talk.

Oliva Thanks, Ana.

First conditional and future time clauses
Extracts

1

Olivia They won't accept me unless I have a combined score of 1500 or higher.

2

Olivia As soon as they're posted, I'll look them up.

3

Olivia I don't want to plan any celebrations until I get the results.

4

Olivia If I don't get into a good college, my parents will kill me.

5

Olivia When I feel a little more positive, I'll decide what to do.

7B Vocabulary

Houses

Andrea Hello, I'm Andrea from the Czech Republic.

Beata Hi, I'm Beata, and I'm from Poland.

Anna Hi, I'm Anna. I'm from San Francisco, California, in the USA.

7B Reading & Listening

Handel Hendrix House

Welcome to Handel Hendrix House. In 1712, the German composer George Frideric Handel decided to settle permanently in England, where he was employed as musician to the English court.

After living in Surrey for some years, he moved to London, and during the summer of 1723, he rented a house at 25 Brook Street. He was the first occupant of the house, but as a foreigner, he was not allowed to buy it. However, even after becoming a British citizen five years later, he decided to continue renting the house. In 1742, his annual rent for Brook Street was £50.

The plan of the house on Brook Street was usual for a modest London townhouse of the period. There was a basement containing the kitchens, and on the first floor, there was a room at the front for receiving visitors.

On the second floor, there were bigger rooms, where Handel entertained and worked. In the largest room, he kept his instruments (a harpsichord and a little house organ), and he occasionally rehearsed there. The room next to it is where he composed many of his most famous works, including the Messiah.

The third floor contained the bedroom at the front, with a dressing room at the back, where he kept his clothes. In the attic, at the top of the house, the servants had their rooms.

During the last decade of his life, Handel's eyesight got worse, and by 1754, after an eye operation went wrong, he was completely blind.
When he went to play the organ, someone had to lead him to the seat. He died at his Brook Street house on April 14, 1759. He was buried in Westminster Abbey, and more than 3,000 people attended his funeral.

Although Jimi Hendrix's career only lasted four years, he is widely regarded as one of the most influential electric guitarists in the history of rock music.

The apartment on the upper floors of 23 Brook Street was found by Jimi's girlfriend, Kathy Etchingham, when she saw an ad in one of the London evening newspapers in June 1968, while he was in New York.

He moved in briefly in July, before returning to the United States for an extensive tour. He spent some time decorating the apartment to his own taste. He bought curtains and cushions from the nearby John Lewis department store, as well as ornaments from Portobello Road market and elsewhere. He told Kathy that this was "my first real home of my own."

In January of the following year, he held a series of press and media interviews and photo shoots in the apartment. He also appeared on the BBC and gave two concerts in February at the Royal Albert Hall.

In March 1969, he went back to New York again, and although Kathy stayed at Brook Street for a while longer, Jimi did not live there again. He died in London in 1970, at the age of 27, but in a hotel, not in the Brook Street apartment.

The whole building, 23–25 Brooke Street, is now a museum and concert venue where both men's music can be heard in live performances.

Pictures of You Episode 4

Talking in the park

[Previously...]

Ben Thanks. And uh, thanks for helping me set up today.

Carla My pleasure.

Ben Hi, Sue! Sorry. Do you mind if I open some windows? It's very hot in here.

Ben Didn't I lock the door? Izzy! What are you doing here?

Izzy Actually, I'd like to talk to you about something. Shall we go for a walk? I'll buy you a drink.

Carla Hi, Izzy. I'm going home. Bye, Ben.

[Pictures of You title screen]

Izzy How have you been, Ben?

Ben I've been good. I finished my course last month. And I passed my exams.

Izzy Well done!

Ben And recently I've been working a lot on the show.

Izzy I can see. It looked great.

Ben Thanks. Andre helped me a lot with it. He knows the gallery owner.

Izzy Andre?

Ben Yeah. You remember him? My tutor. Your old tutor.

Izzy Of course I remember him. He helped you?

Ben Yeah, a lot. Yeah.

Izzy That's nice of him.

Ben He's been really supportive. He helped me look at my work in a new way. He's tough, but he's always honest. I think he made me a better photographer.

Izzy Well, I always thought you were great.

Ben And what about you? I hear that you got a promotion.

Izzy Yes, I did. I'm in charge of a small team. You remember my boss, Max?

Ben Max? Max? Oh, I can't remember anyone called Max…

Izzy Stop it!

Ben Of course I remember Max. I didn't like that guy at all.

Izzy Yeah, I know… it was pretty obvious. Well, I'm Max's boss now, so…

Ben Really? Good. I like that.

Izzy Yeah. And you were right about him. He's not nearly as clever as he thinks he is.

Ben Well, I'm a good judge of character. Let's move on. So, what did you want to talk to me about?

Izzy I'll tell you over a drink.

Making suggestions

Izzy Where shall we go for that drink?

Ben Well, there's a really nice coffee shop up the road. We could go there.

Izzy Actually, I've had a lot of coffee today. And it's a bit late for tea or coffee.

Ben OK. Why don't we go to a pub?

Izzy Good idea. What about The Nag's Head? It's quite near here. I've never been before, but I've heard good things about it.

Ben Or how about The Red Lion?

Izzy It's always too busy in there.

Ben Actually, I'm really hungry. I didn't have much lunch. What about going to Les Amis?

Izzy That's a great idea. Although we're not far from Pomodora. Do you remember it?

Ben Of course. That's where we had our first date.

Izzy No, our first date was cycling! So shall we go there?

Ben Why not.

You say phrases: Making suggestions

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Ben Why don't we go to a pub?

Izzy Good idea. What about The Nag's Head?

Ben Or how about The Red Lion?

Izzy It's always too busy in there.

Ben What about going to Les Amis?

Izzy That's a great idea.

Izzy So shall we go there?

Ben Why not.

A great opportunity

Izzy You did! And also…do you remember when Max came jogging with us in the park?

Ben How could I forget?

Izzy And you had a bad back…

Ben I had a *very* bad back.

Izzy You and Max were racing. And you wanted to win so much that you forgot how much your back was hurting.

Ben I know. I don't know what I was thinking. You know, I couldn't go to class for two days after that. So, what did you actually want to talk about?

Izzy I wanted to ask you something about work.

Ben Sure, go ahead.

Izzy Well, I have this project that's not going well. It's a magazine feature all about London, but I want to show a different side of it.

Ben OK.

Izzy So…some of your photos would be perfect for it. You have an amazing way of capturing a different side of London that most people never see. What do you think? The money would be good.

Ben Is that why you wanted to see me?

Izzy What? No, I…

Ben You just wanted something from me.

Izzy No, it's been great seeing you again. But this would be a fantastic opportunity. Don't…

Ben Izzy, I'm only joking. Of course. I'd love to help you.

Izzy Really? Ah, that's amazing! The money would be good.

Ben You're right. It's a great opportunity. You'd be my first real business contact…I've spent everything I have on this exhibition, and so the money would be really helpful right now.

Izzy Cool. However, a little bit of business advice for you – don't tell somebody who might be paying for your work that you really need the money! Play hard to get.

Ben Ha! Yes, that's very good advice. So, how many photos would you like to use?

Izzy Well…I'd like to choose five or six of the ones that really capture London.

Ben Sure, just let me know what you need.
Well, it's been really nice seeing you again.

Izzy Yeah, it has. I'm looking forward to working with you. I'll be in touch very soon about the project.

Ben Looking forward to it.

Izzy So…see you soon.

Ben Yeah. Let's keep in touch. OK… bye, Izzy.

Izzy Bye.

Ben Carla! Carla!

Carla Oh…hi, Ben.

Ben Hi. I was just having a drink with…Izzy.

Carla Oh, yeah? That's nice.

Ben We were talking about work.

Carla Work? Right. I see.

Ben Are you…are you OK? Should we…should we talk?

Carla No, no. I, I'm fine…I just, uh…Listen, I have to go. I'm in a hurry. But I'll see you tomorrow, OK?

Social English phrases

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Ben I finished my course last month. And I passed my exams.

Izzy Well done!

2

Ben So, what did you want to talk to me about?

Izzy I'll tell you over a drink.

3

Izzy Do you remember when Max came jogging with us in the park?

Ben How could I forget?

4

Izzy I wanted to ask you something about work.

Ben Sure, go ahead.

5

Ben Well, it's been really nice seeing you again.

Izzy Yeah, it has. I'm looking forward to working with you.

8A Vocabulary

Work

Clare worked for a marketing company.
She had to work very long hours and do overtime.
She had a good salary, but she didn't like her boss.
One day, they had an argument and Clare resigned.
She was unemployed and had to look for a job.
She applied for a lot of jobs and sent in résumés.

She had some interviews, but she didn't get the jobs. She decided to set up an online business selling cupcakes.
Her business is doing very well. Clare is a success!

8A Speaking

A product presentation

Max Hello and good morning! I'm Max and this is…Jasmine! We're here to tell you about our new product.

Jasmine The name of our new product is Forever Fresh. What is it for? Well, come up and have a look at these three vases of flowers. They all look the same: beautiful, fresh, the water is clean, they smell great. But one is a week old, one is two weeks old, and one is three weeks old. Yeah, three weeks old! And can you tell which one? You can't, because in the water is…Forever Fresh!

Max Forever Fresh comes in capsules. They look like coffee machine capsules. But inside, there is a special powder. The recipe is a secret. It includes salt, sugar, bicarbonate of soda, and some other ingredients. You put it in the water when you first buy the flowers or when you pick them from the garden.

Jasmine And who is Forever Fresh for? Well, it's for anyone who loves having flowers in their home. We think Forever Fresh is going to be very popular, because you don't need to change the water, you just need to add a bit more from time to time. With Forever Fresh, your flowers will last up to five weeks.

Max Oh, you heard it right! Five weeks! And the price is very reasonable – for £5 a pack, you get ten capsules. And our slogan is…

Max & Jasmine Forever Fresh flowers last the longest!

A product presentation
Extracts

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Max Hello and good morning! I'm Max, and this is…Jasmine!

2

Max We're here to tell you about our new product.

3

Jasmine The name of our new product is Forever Fresh.

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Jasmine We think Forever Fresh is going to be very popular, because you don't need to change the water. You just need to add a bit more from time to time.

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Max And the price is very reasonable – for £5 a pack, you get ten capsules.

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Max And our slogan is…

Max & Jasmine Forever Fresh flowers last the longest!

8B Grammar

Reported Speech

Lost and Found recorded message: Thank you for waiting. Your call is important to us. Please continue to hold.

Lost and Found Lost and found, how can I help you?
Man Hello? Oh, thank goodness, at last! I left my phone in a yellow cab about an hour ago.
Lost and Found Have you tried calling it?
Man Yes, yes I have.
Woman What did she say?
Man She asked me…if I'd tried calling it.
Lost and Found Did you write down the taxi cab number?
Man No, no, I didn't.
Woman What did she say?
Man She asked me…if I'd written down the taxi cab number.
Lost and Found Where did you get in the taxi?
Man I don't know exactly, somewhere near the Empire State Building?
Woman What did she say?
Man She asked me…where I'd gotten in the taxi. So what should I do?
Lost and Found You should report it on our website.
Man OK, yes, OK.
Woman What did she say?
Man She said…I should report it on their website. And when will I know if you've found it?
Lost and Found You'll need to wait until tomorrow.
Man Oh no!
Woman What did she say?
Man She said…I'd need to wait until tomorrow.
Lost and Found Yes, because the driver probably won't bring the phone to the office until tomorrow.
Man So do I need to contact you tomorrow, or will you call me?
Lost and Found We'll contact you as soon as we receive the phone.
Man Oh, OK.
Woman What did she say?
Man She said…they'd contact me as soon as they received the phone. And then what happens?
Lost and Found You need to come to the lost and found office to pick it up.
Man Right.
Woman What did she say?
Man She said…I needed to come to the lost and found office to pick it up. Can't someone deliver it to me?
Lost and Found Well they can, but we charge extra for that.
Woman What did she say?
Man Here, why don't you talk to her yourself?

8B Listening & Speaking

How to complain
Part 1

Hello, and welcome to *Ten-Minute Travel* for all your travel tips, news, and reviews. Many of us travel a lot, on vacation or for work, and that often means staying in a hotel. So today we're looking at hotel problems, and what we should do when things go wrong.
The hotel industry is a competitive one, and hotels really do want you to enjoy your stay, especially in this digital age, where guests can leave good or bad reviews instantly. But sometimes things go wrong – let's start by looking at the top five complaints.

Air conditioning is top of the list, with nearly a quarter of all the complaints. At number two is Wi-Fi, with fourteen percent of people complaining that the hotel Wi-Fi is too slow or that they can't connect. Eleven percent of hotel guests have had problems with noise, either from the street outside or from neighboring rooms. And a similar number have complained about their room not being clean enough. And finally, in fifth place – service. Nine percent of guests have suffered from slow or bad service, especially with hotel breakfasts or room service. So, what should you do if you have one of these problems?

How to complain
Part 2

Narrator So, what should you do if you have one of these problems? What's the best way to complain? Let's look at three examples of how *not* to do it. Here's Phil, a hotel guest who's on a work trip.

[Situation 1]

Maid Oh, sorry, sir! I'll come back later.

Phil No, it's fine, go ahead. It's so hot in here, I couldn't sleep. I can't get the air conditioning to work. Can you see if you can fix it?

Maid I'm sorry, sir, I don't really know about the air conditioning.

Phil Well, I'm afraid I don't know about it either.

Maid I'll tell reception later.

[What did Phil do wrong?]

Narrator So, what did Phil do wrong? The first rule of complaining is to complain to the right person. The cleaning staff can't fix Phil's air conditioning and it isn't her job to get it fixed. Phil needs to go down and complain to reception – it's always better to complain in person, rather than just calling. So, let's take a look at how Phil should have complained.

[Complain to the right person.]
[Complain in person.]

Receptionist Good morning, sir.

Phil Good morning. I think there's a problem with the air conditioning in my room – room 42. It's very hot, and I can't get it cooler. Could you ask someone to have a look at it before this evening?

Receptionist Of course, sir. I'll do it right away.

[Situation 2]

Waiter Here you are, sir. Eggs, toast, and an espresso.

Phil I think I asked for wheat toast. And a cappuccino, not an espresso.

Waiter Wheat toast and a cappuccino? I'm very sorry, sir. The order must have gotten mixed up.

Phil Never mind. I'm in a hurry. I'll have the espresso.

Waiter And the toast? I can bring you some wheat toast in a few minutes.

Phil OK then. Oh, it doesn't matter. White toast will be OK.

Waiter Thank you, sir.

[What did Phil do wrong?]

Narrator Here Phil complains to the right person, but there's no point complaining if you don't want somebody to do something about it. If you want to complain successfully, you need to know what your ideal solution is and make it clear. So, let's

take a look at how Phil should have complained.

[Make it clear what you want.]

Waiter Here are eggs, toast, and an espresso.

Phil I think I asked for wheat toast. And a cappuccino, not an espresso.

Waiter Wheat toast and a cappuccino? I'm very sorry, sir. The kitchen must have made a mistake.

Phil If you could change them, that would be great. And as quickly as you can, please. I don't have much time.

Waiter Of course, sir. I'll be right back.

[Situation 3]

Receptionist Good morning, sir. Can I help you?

Phil Yes, I'd like to check out, please.

Receptionist Of course, sir. I hope you enjoyed your stay.

Phil No, I didn't enjoy it at all. My room was noisy and the Wi-Fi was slow – it was impossible to get any work done. I certainly won't be recommending this hotel; you can be sure of that.

Receptionist I'm very sorry to hear that, sir.

[What did Phil do wrong?]

Narrator Why complain about your room and the Wi-Fi when you're checking out? You should always complain as soon as you notice a problem. If you wait till later, the hotel might not have the chance to make the problem right. Above all – and this is probably the most important tip – never be rude or aggressive. If you complain politely, you're far more likely to be successful. A smile will always make people want to help you. So, let's take a look at how Phil should have complained.

[Complain at the right time.]

[Be polite.]

Receptionist Hello again, sir. Can I help you?

Phil Yes, I've been trying to do some work in my room, and there's a lot of traffic noise from the street. Would it be possible to move to a different room, maybe at the back of the hotel?

Receptionist I'll see what we have. Yes, we do have a room free, overlooking the garden.

Phil That sounds perfect. I also noticed the Wi-Fi seems to be very slow. It's like being at home.

Receptionist I'll get someone to look at that right away, sir. Here's your new room key. Just let me know if you're still having problems with the Wi-Fi in ten minutes.

Phil Thanks very much.

Narrator Finally, remember that if you're staying in a good hotel, they'll always want the chance to make things right. But they can't help you if they don't know there's a problem, so you should always complain. And now you know how!

Review and Check 7&8

Can you understand these people?

1 Philomena

Interviewer What was your favorite subject when you were in school?

Philomena History, predominantly modern history. That's the main reason... my

history teacher is the reason why I became a teacher. She was really inspiring and she made the subject come alive.

Interviewer Were there any subjects you hated?

Philomena Maths, again due to bad teachers, and predominantly I just don't have a mathematical brain, so I found it very difficult.

2 Adina

Interviewer What kind of things do you often buy online?

Adina I buy online clothes, food to get delivered to home, um, and also a lot of beauty products as well.

Interviewer Is there anything you would never buy online?

Adina I don't think there is anymore, I don't think there is anything anymore that I wouldn't buy online.

3 Daniel

Interviewer Have you ever had really bad customer service?

Daniel Yes, I have had very bad customer service before.

Interviewer What happened?

Daniel Um, I've had a waiter be very rude to me and sort of drop the plate on the table when they served the dish.

Interviewer What did you do?

Daniel I did not tip that waiter.

4 Julie

Interviewer If you could change one thing about your home, what would it be?

Julie I would probably change my home's location. I really love my house, but it's very isolated. We live in the forest and there's no sidewalks. So, I'd probably put it in a slightly more urban setting.

5 Shrenik

Interviewer What's more important to you about a job: having a good salary or doing something you really enjoy?

Shrenik Doing something you really enjoy, um, is something that I prioritize, when looking for a job or working a job. And also having a good work to life balance.

Interviewer Why do you think that's important?

Shrenik Because a job isn't everything. You have to have time for yourself and your life and do things that you love and you're passionate about...or else you'll never grow.

9B Pronunciation

ough* and *augh

bought

brought

caught

daughter

thought

cough

enough

tough

although

laugh

through

Pictures of You Episode 5

Pamela's advice

[Previously...]

Ben So, what did you want to talk to me about?

Izzy I'll tell you over a drink.

Ben What about going to Les Amis?
Izzy That's a great idea. Although we're not far from Pomodora. Do you remember it?
Ben Of course.
Izzy Well, I have this project that's not going well. Some of your photos would be perfect for it.
Ben I'd love to help you.
Ben Well, it's been really nice seeing you again.
Izzy Yeah, it has. I'm looking forward to working with you.
Ben Bye, Izzy.
Carla!

[Pictures of You title screen]

Izzy So I went to Ben's exhibition.
Pamela Did you? What did you think of his photos?
Izzy They're great. And you were right.
Pamela I am very wise.
Izzy You really are! His photos are amazing. They're perfect for the London feature.
Pamela And does he want to help you?
Izzy Yes, he's really excited about the idea. He said we can use his photos in the magazine. I know Dominic will love them!
Pamela That's fantastic.
Izzy Yeah… um… Ben and I also went for something to eat…
Pamela Hmm?…
Izzy It was nice. We talked about old times.
Pamela Well, that's good.
Izzy And then, at the end…
Pamela Izzy?
Izzy Well, we had a hug. A very long hug.
Pamela A very long hug?
Izzy Maybe too long.
Pamela And how do you feel?
Izzy Well…it was great to see him again. It reminded me why I liked him so much.
Pamela But… you broke up for a reason, Izzy.
Izzy I know. I know!
Pamela Just make sure this is something that you both want.
Izzy Yes.
Pamela Talk to him.

Asking indirect questions

Izzy So…about yesterday. I don't know if you felt what I felt?
Ben I…suppose I did. Yeah.
Izzy I'm glad it's not just me.
Ben So?
Izzy Look. We're adults. Let's just be honest with each other.
Izzy Mr. Fischer. Thank you for joining me today.
Ben You're very welcome.
Izzy So, could you tell me what you think of Izzy?
Ben I think she's an awesome person. She's smart. She's funny.
Izzy She's stylish.
Ben Oh. Very.
Izzy But you broke up, didn't you? I'd like to know if you think you should get back together?
Ben Well, I think it's complicated. We've both moved on. Ahem. What about you, Ms. Silva?
Izzy I think we broke up because we wanted different things. I'd like to run my own magazine one day.
Ben And I'd like to travel. I'd like to see

the world. I suppose I'd like to do that with someone. I'd like a family, too. Do you know if you want kids?

Izzy I don't know. It's not really something I think about. But I still feel something for you.

Ben I wonder if we'll always feel something for each other.

Izzy I think we will.

Ben But is that enough if we want different things?

Izzy I don't know. It was just really nice to see you again. I miss having you in my life.

Ben Yeah…me too, I…Seeing you yesterday confused me a little. The truth is I'm interested in someone else.

Izzy Can you tell me who it is?

Ben It's…Carla.

Izzy Carla? I think you two would be good together.

You say phrases: Asking indirect questions

Izzy So, could you tell me what you think of Izzy?

Ben I think she's an awesome person. She's smart. She's funny.

Izzy But you broke up, didn't you? I'd like to know if you think you should get back together?

Ben Well, I think it's complicated.

Ben Do you know if you want kids?

Izzy I don't know. It's not really something I think about.

Izzy But I still feel something for you.

Ben I wonder if we'll always feel something for each other.

Ben The truth is I'm interested in someone else.

Izzy Can you tell me who it is?

A happy ending?

Emma Hey, bro!

Ben Emma! It's great to see you. I'm so glad you were able to make it! I can't believe you came all the way from California for this.

Emma Well, I couldn't miss my brother's first big show!

Ben How are Mom and Dad?

Emma They're good. And they're so proud of you, Ben. It's all Mom can talk about. It's getting a little annoying, actually.

Ben Well, I'm glad to hear it. If I can still annoy you when I'm on a different continent, then I'm doing something right!.

Emma You look exhausted.

Ben Yeah…there's just been a lot going on this week.

Emma With the show?

Ben Yeah…and some other things, too.

Emma Really?!

Ben Shush.

Emma Carla?

Ben Yeah. No. Maybe?

Emma I've always liked Carla. She's great.

Ben Yeah, she is.

Emma I'm going to take a look around.

Carla You know, I think this one is my favorite.

Ben You know that's you. It was outside the café after a really long shift. And there was this amazing sunset.

Carla Oh yeah, I remember that. You had only just started working at the café.

Ben Yeah, I think I annoyed you with all my questions.

Carla You still annoy me with all your

	questions!
Ben	You know…nothing happened with Izzy and me.
Carla	No?
Ben	No. The truth is…I'm interested in someone else.
Carla	Yeah?
Ben	Yeah. You know…I think this one might be my favorite too.
Dominic	Do you think this is good enough?
Izzy	I, um…Yes, actually, I do. I think this month's magazine will be one of our best.
Dominic	So do I. This is fantastic. This is exactly what I wanted. Let's talk next week about a project I think you'd be perfect for. And, Max,…
Max	Yes, sir.
Dominic	Could you open the door?
Max	Yes, sir.
Dominic	And by the way...
Max	Yes, sir?
Dominic	Who was the photographer? These photos are exceptional.
Izzy	Oh, just an old friend.

Social English phrases

1

Izzy	So I went to Ben's exhibition.
Pamela	Did you? What did you think of his photos?

2

Emma	Hey, bro!
Ben	Emma! It's great to see you.

3

Emma	You look exhausted.
Ben	Yeah. There's just been a lot going on this week.

4

Dominic	Do you think this is good enough?
Izzy	I, um…Yes, actually, I do.

5

Dominic	By the way, who was the photographer?
Izzy	Oh, just an old friend.

10A Reading & Listening

The year our heroes died

From Shakespeare to Severus Snape in the Harry Potter movies, Alan Rickman's voice was memorable in every role he played. Success came to him quite late. He was 41 when he made his first big hit as the villain in the movie *Die Hard*, with Bruce Willis. Rickman played some romantic roles, but in his later movies, he was more often cast as the bad guy. Daniel Radcliffe, who played Harry in all the Potter movies, said, "Alan Rickman is undoubtedly one of the greatest actors I will ever work with. He was one of the first of the adults on Potter to treat me like an equal rather than a child." When he died, his fans brought flowers and messages, and left them at London's Kings Cross station, where Harry Potter catches the train to Hogwarts school.

Zaha Hadid was one of the world's most famous architects, and in 2010 *Time* magazine included her in the "100 most influential people in the world." Born in Iraq, Hadid studied mathematics as an undergraduate in Beirut, and then moved to London to study architecture. Hadid was frequently described in the press as the world's top female architect. Her buildings were modern and futuristic, with sensuous lines – she was sometimes called the "Queen of the curve." Her best-known buildings include the London Aquatic Centre for the 2012 Olympics and the Guangzhou Opera House in China.
Hadid was the first woman to receive the Pritzker Architecture Prize. She once said, "As a woman architect, you're always an outsider. It's OK, I like being on the edge."

Muhammad Ali is widely considered to be the best heavyweight boxer of all time. During his professional career, which lasted 21 years, he won 56 fights and only lost 5. Ali's extraordinary boxing talent was matched only by his amazing self-confidence, and he frequently told the world that he was "the greatest." In the boxing ring, he danced around his opponents – he famously described his technique as "Float like a butterfly, sting like a bee." In 1960, he was selected for the US team for the Rome Olympics. At first, he refused to go because of his fear of flying. Eventually, he bought a second-hand parachute and wore it on the flight. It was worth it, and he became the Olympic light-heavyweight champion.
Ali became a prominent civil rights figure, who campaigned for Black equality. He also refused to fight in the Vietnam War. He retired in 1981, and in 1984 he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. His condition was obvious when, with courage and dignity, he lit the 1996 Olympic cauldron in Atlanta. His friend, actor Billy Crystal, said after his death, "He was so much more than a fighter – he made all of our lives a little bit better than they were."

Carrie Fisher's parents were both successful Hollywood actors. Fisher became an actor herself, and the role of Princess Leia in the first Star Wars movie made her famous at just 21 years old. Fisher went on to have a 40-plus year career, appearing in more than 50 movies. She also wrote several books, plays, and movie scripts. She was also recognized for her fierce support of charities for animal rights and mental health.
Carrie Fisher died on December 27, 2016, at the age of 60. Her mother, Debbie Reynolds, died the very next day, at the age of 84. After her death, George Lucas, the creator of Star Wars, described her as "our great and powerful princess – feisty, wise, and full of hope in a role that was more difficult than most people might think."

10B Listening

Queens of crime

Crime fiction is loved all over the world: from British writers – like Arthur Conan Doyle and Val McDermid; to Americans – like Raymond Chandler and Patricia Highsmith; to Scandinavian and European writers – like Henning Mankell and Georges Simenon. But two British novelists are called "Queens of Crime": Agatha Christie and Ruth Rendell.
Ruth Grasemann was born in London in 1930. Her father was English and her mother was Danish. After she left school, she became a journalist. She married Don Rendell, who was also a journalist. In 1964, Rendell published the first Inspector Wexford novel, *From Doon with Death*. Wexford, a British police officer, who appeared in 24 novels and some short stories, is still Rendell's best-known character, over 50 years after his first appearance.

In 1975, Ruth and Don Rendell got divorced, but they remarried in 1977. Ruth Rendell continued to write, and she also started to write under the pseudonym Barbara Vine. The Barbara Vine novels are also crime novels, but they are much darker and more psychological. Some of her novels have been made into movies, not only in English, but in other languages, too. The French film *La Cérémonie* was adapted from the novel *Judgement in Stone*, and Pedro Almodóvar's film *Carne Trémula* is also based on a Rendell novel, *Live Flesh*. Ruth Rendell died in 2015.
Today, she is considered a Queen of Crime, but most people would probably agree that the original Queen of Crime is Agatha Christie.
Agatha Miller was born in Torquay in southwestern England in 1890. Her father was American and her mother British. In 1914, she married Archie Christie, who was an army pilot.

Christie started to write and published her first novel in 1920, *The Mysterious Affair at Styles*, in which she created a Belgian private detective, Hercule Poirot. In December 1926, Christie became the center of her very own mystery, when she suddenly disappeared from the family home in Sunningdale near London. Her disappearance was big news in the UK and in the US. For eleven days, the police and the press searched for her. The police also asked Arthur Conan Doyle – the creator of Sherlock Holmes – for help, but even he couldn't solve the mystery. The police eventually found Christie in Harrogate in northern England. She apparently couldn't remember anything, and the mystery of her disappearance was never solved.

Soon afterwards, she and Archie divorced. Agatha Christie continued to write. She also married again – to Max Mallowan, who was an archaeologist. This marriage was happy. She created another detective, Jane Marple. Miss Marple is a little old English lady. She lives in a small village and solves crimes quietly and often without leaving her armchair. She is totally different from Hercule Poirot, who Christie described as "a complete egoist." She also wrote more personal novels under the pseudonym of Mary Westmacott. Agatha Christie died in 1976, but her books are still read all over the world and watched in movies – like *Murder on the Orient Express*; plays – like *The Mousetra*p; and television shows – like the *Miss Marple* series.

Ruth Rendell and Agatha Christie had many things in common. They were both very successful crime writers, and they both wrote different novels under pseudonyms. They both divorced and remarried. And they're also both strongly associated with the detectives they created. But their approaches were very different. Rendell was always more interested in characters, while Christie loved plots. And, while Agatha Christie's readers will read to the end to find out who committed the murder, Ruth Rendell's readers will also want to find out why.

Review and Check 9&10

Can you understand these people?

1 Sean

Interviewer Have you ever helped a stranger or been helped by a stranger?

Sean Yes, a few months ago, I was, um, I was catching a train home from work and I went past, um, a little girl with her two grandparents, and she was crying and she was really unhappy and I thought "Oh dear!" but there's nothing I can do, um, so I went into the station and I went up the stairs, over the bridge, um, down the other side, and then on the floor I saw, um, a little toy panda, and immediately I knew that that was the little girl's panda and that's why she was crying. Um, so I ran back up the stairs, over the bridge, um, out of the station and I saw the family in the car park. I could still hear the, the little girl crying, and I ran up and said, "Is this yours?", um, and the little girl took it and the grandparents just said "Oh thank you, thank you, thank you," so that was nice.

2 Daniel

Interviewer Do you think we rely too much on technology?

Daniel I think sometimes we rely too much on technology because I do not know any of my family or friends' phones numbers anymore. I used to have all of their phone numbers memorized, but now if I lost my phone, I would not be able to call

them.

3 Nick

Interviewer Do you like detective or mystery novels or TV shows?

Nick Yeah, I have done, so I, um, I really like the Nordic noirs that were very popular a few years ago, so like *The Killing* and *The Bridge*, especially I found really fascinating.

Interviewer Do you have a favorite author or detective?

Nick Uh, yes, but can I remember her name? It's actually the one in *The Bridge*.

Interviewer Do you usually guess who the murderer is?

Nick Uh, I'll always try. Sometimes I get it, sometimes it's too difficult, yeah.

4 Emma

Interviewer Do you have a favorite designer?

Emma I've recently started wedding dress shopping and I really like the dresses by Maggie Sottero.

Interviewer Why do you like her clothes?

Emma Uh, the dresses are quite a vintage style, um, which is really flattering, and when I've tried them on, um, I think they're probably the ones I'm going to go for.

5 Gina

Interviewer Do you think you are generally a lucky person?

Gina I think I'm a pretty lucky person.

Interviewer Can you think of a time when you've been really lucky?

Gina I think the process of moving to New York City I've been very lucky, um, everything kind of just laid in place, like finding an apartment or, um, getting a job has just kind of laid perfectly.