

1 Vloggers unite!

COMPREHENSION

C

books, computers, fans, stage, cameras, smartphones, giant screen, interviews, parents

D

- 1 F (They have to wait a long time.)
- 2 T
- 3 F (Most of the fans want to get a selfie with the stars.)
- 4 T

E

- 1 easy
- 2 after
- 3 speaking
- 4 can't

F

- 1 famous
- 2 enjoyable
- 3 huge
- 4 popular
- 5 new

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

To be less exact, and perhaps to be more modest about her natural ability.

B

She says *kind of* four times

C

Suggested answers

- 1 Vlogging is **kind of** a fad that won't be popular for much longer.
- 2 The vloggers are **kind of** great role models for teenagers.
- 3 Video sharing websites have **kind of** been a wonderful way for people to share their talents.
- 4 Vlogs have **kind of** contributed to young people spending too much time online.

2 Changing spaces

COMPREHENSION

B

3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 11

C

- 1 of population density
- 2 wall
- 3 clever and environmentally
- 4 24
- 5 contrast
- 6 30
- 7 3.6
- 8 roads

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

Students should have underlined:
Outside; very different to; Outside ... Inside

- 1 The difference between how Gary's apartment looks from the outside and the inside.
- 2 The cramped housing in the area where Gary lives, and the luxury apartments in downtown Hong Kong.
- 3 The noisy environment outside the apartment, and the calm atmosphere inside the apartment.

SPEAKING

A

- 1 Both
- 2 Positive
- 3 Negative
- 4 Both

3 Authentic vacations

COMPREHENSION

B

1 d 2 b 3 a 4 e 5 c

C

1 b 2 e 3 a 4 c 5 d

D

- 1 T
- 2 F (Carlos says they have no idea and there are a lot of negative stereotypes about *favelas*.)
- 3 F (Tourists have to pay one euro.)
- 4 F (The report suggests most locals think tourism is a good thing.)
- 5 T

E

1 B 2 S 3 R 4 B

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

B

The phrase *flip side* is used to talk about the negative aspects of a plan or situation.

4 Multi-generational living

COMPREHENSION

A

Suggested answer

1. *Multi-generational living* means children, parents and grandparents live together in the same house.
2. This can be positive because families can help and support each other and they can also save money by sharing a home.

B

under one roof; front door

C

1, 2, 4, 5, 7

D

- 1 F (Older people are living longer.)
- 2 T
- 3 T
- 4 F (Finn says that our family structures are now much more complex.)
- 5 F (The grandmother says that if she lived alone she would be lonely.)
- 6 T
- 7 F (Finn says that living like this can create a kind of luxury.)

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

B

- 1 So, **basically**, the main items in my room are the bed, desk and wardrobe.
- 2 What's the difference between a living room and a TV room? I think they're **basically** the same.
- 3 It seems to me that my living room is **basically** OK and there's no real reason to change it.

5 A 15-hour working week?

COMPREHENSION

C

feeling stressed, doing overtime, earning a high salary, being lazy, putting life above work

D

- 1 Some of
- 2 can
- 3 people doing overtime
- 4 often
- 5 Overworked
- 6 should

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

B

- 1 d 2 a 3 e 4 c 5 b

6 A sugar-free life?

COMPREHENSION

B

Because many people believe the consumption of sugary drinks is contributing to obesity problems.

C

- 1 health promotion; cutting the budget deficit

D

- 1 Sugary drinks amount to around 10% of Australia's obesity problem.
- 2 The proposed excise tax would be set at 40 cents per 100 grams of sugar.
- 3 A 2-liter bottle of soft drink would rise in price by 80 cents.
- 4 More than 15 countries and subnational governments have successfully introduced a sugary drink tax.
- 5 The \$500m annual tax revenue.

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

- 1 e 2 f 3 d 4 b 5 a 6 c

B

- 1 new report
- 2 obesity problem
- 3 nutritional benefits
- 4 proposed an excise tax
- 5 added sugar
- 6 introduced a tax

7 The sound of silence

COMPREHENSION

B

It's a very quiet place where nothing much happens. Green Bank has a special telescope which means that many electronic devices are banned.

C

- 1 difficult
- 2 objects
- 3 community
- 4 problem
- 5 health
- 6 disconnected

D

- 1 no chance
- 2 away from, usually
- 3 actually quite
- 4 for the sake of
- 5 over

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

In sentence 2, the words *happen to* are used to suggest that losing the radio telescope would be unlikely.

8 A tribute to David Bowie

COMPREHENSION

B

- 1 F (He was born in London.)
- 2 T
- 3 T
- 4 F (There is a graffiti artwork tribute to Bowie in Brixton, London.)
- 5 F (He came from an ordinary background.)

C

- 1 were important to Bowie
- 2 the same city
- 3 wrote a book about
- 4 in the suburbs
- 5 personal tributes and lyrics
- 6 a little bit
- 7 singing
- 8 most

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

B

- 1 is 2 wasn't 3 don't

9 An African app

COMPREHENSION

C

- 1, 2, 5, 6

Suggested answer

The card game app was invented by Jasper Onono. It is popular because it's convenient and fun to play.

D

- 1 even when I'm alone
- 2 or a group of people
- 3 And it's fun.

10 Too much tech?

COMPREHENSION

A

It is a self-driving vehicle.

B

- 1 F (There is a green and white robot bus in Japan.)
- 2 T
- 3 F (The Uber car turns a corner.)
- 4 F (We see a VW Beetle without a driver in an old film.)

C

- 1 For many years.
- 2 A self-driving shuttle bus, fully autonomous cars (a robot controls everything), *hands-off* cars (a robot controls the vehicle but a human can intervene).
- 3 People cannot understand how they work and think they are dangerous.
- 4 It's a low cost self-driving shuttle.

D

- 1 detects obstacles
- 2 stops
- 3 she has lots of accidents
- 4 Lidars

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

Sentences 2 and 3 are from the video. The woman in the video who is asked to test drive the car says them.

B

Sentences 2 and 3 are slang.

C

- 1 hello
- 2 brilliant
- 3 thanks
- 4 exhausted
- 5 some money

11 Endangered species

COMPREHENSION

A

Suggested answer

The most threatened animal is the mountain gorilla, blue whales are also threatened.

C

- 1 giant panda
- 2 tiger
- 3 mountain gorilla
- 4 blue whale
- 5 grey squirrel
- 6 dodo

D

- 1 T
- 2 T
- 3 T
- 4 F (Two thirds of all wild animals could be lost.)

E

- 1 July
- 2 longer
- 3 global
- 4 Everyone

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

The words in bold are puns. They are used to capture an audience's interest.

B

- 1 b
- 2 a

12 From old to new

COMPREHENSION

A

Suggested answer

It is a convertible (not so common today), it is a very wide-bodied luxury car.

B

- 2, 3, 4

C

- 1 R
- 2 S
- 3 R
- 4 S

D

- 1 N
- 2 S
- 3 S
- 4 N
- 5 N
- 6 R

AUTHENTIC ENGLISH

A

Suggested answers

Advert 1 doesn't have a slogan, it is just an invitation to visit the dealer.

Advert 2 finishes with an exclamation to attract attention.

Advert 3 has a catchy slogan. This shows how advertising has evolved.

The second and third adverts both have strong messages. Advert 2 encourages the viewer to drive the car, while Advert 3 has a memorable slogan about the quality of the car.

B

- 1 Adidas
- 2 Subway
- 3 L'Oréal
- 4 Apple