

Tapescripts

Unit 1

T 1.1 General knowledge quiz

- 1 The modern Olympic Games started in 1896.
- 2 It takes eight minutes for the sun's rays to reach the Earth.
- 3 He was walking on the moon.
- 4 If you are flying over the International Date Line, the Pacific Ocean is below you.
- 5 A vegetarian doesn't eat meat.
- 6 www. stands for World Wide Web.
- 7 Glasses were invented in Italy around 1300 A.D.
- 8 Brazil has won the World Cup five times.
- 9 John Lennon was returning to his apartment when he was assassinated.
- 10 Chinese is spoken by the most people in the world.
- 11 Nelson Mandela didn't become president of South Africa until he was 76 years old because he was in prison for 27 years.
- 12 People have been sending emails since the 1970s.

T 1.2

- 1 The sun doesn't rise in the west! It rises in the east!
- 2 Cows don't eat meat! They eat grass!
- 3 Mercedes-Benz cars aren't made in Canada! They're made in Germany!
- 4 Neil Armstrong didn't land on the moon in 1989! He landed in 1969!
- 5 John Lennon wasn't performing on stage when he was assassinated! He was returning to his apartment!
- 6 The Pyramids weren't built by the Chinese! They were built by the Egyptians!
- 7 We haven't been in class for five hours! We've been in class for one hour!
- 8 We aren't studying Italian! We're studying English!

T 1.3

- 1 A What did you do last night?
B I stayed at home and watched television.
- 2 A What kind of books do you like reading?
B Horror stories and science fiction.
- 3 A Have you ever been to the United States?
B Yes, I have. I went there last year.
A Did you like it?
B Yes, I really enjoyed it.
- 4 A What's the teacher doing?
B He's helping Maria with this exercise.
- 5 A What does your mother do?
B She works in a bank.
- 6 A Why didn't you do your homework last night?
B Because I didn't feel well.
- 7 A What are you doing next weekend?
B I'm going to a party.
- 8 A Have you got a TV in your bedroom?
B No, I haven't. Just a CD player.

T 1.4

- 1 My sister's a teacher.
- 2 She's on holiday at the moment.

- 3 She's in France.
- 4 She's never travelled to Europe before.
- 5 She's been there for two weeks.
- 6 She's going back to work next week.
- 7 Her husband's a builder.
- 8 He's got his own business.

T 1.5 See p8

T 1.6 Making conversation

- D = Dad, E = Emma
- D Good morning! Did you have a nice time last night?
E Yes, I did. I went round to Bill's house.
D Do you want breakfast?
E No, I don't, thanks. I'm not hungry.
D Have you had any coffee?
E Yes, I have. I don't want any more, thanks.
D Is Bill coming round tonight?
E No, he isn't. He's going out for dinner with his family.
D OK. Are you leaving for school soon?
E Yes, I am. I'm going right now. Bye!

T 1.7

- 1 Is it hot today?
- 2 Is it raining?
- 3 Are you wearing trainers?
- 4 Do you usually come to class by bus?
- 5 Are you going out tonight?
- 6 Did you have a good day yesterday?
- 7 Have you got a dictionary?
- 8 Have you got any pets?

T 1.8

- 1 A Do you like studying English?
B Yes, I do. It's my favourite subject.
- 2 A Is it a nice day today?
B No, it isn't. It's freezing.
- 3 A Have you seen my pen?
B No, I haven't. You can borrow mine if you want.
- 4 A Are you staying at home this evening?
B Yes, I am. Do you want to come round?
- 5 A Did you go on holiday last summer?
B No, I didn't. I couldn't afford to.

T 1.9 My wonders

- K = Kelly, S = Sam, P = Peter
- K We were doing the wonders of the world in school today. You know, the seven ancient wonders, the pyramids and such like and we got to talking about what modern wonders would be and well we all thought that ...
- S Huh! I know what the best modern wonder is for me. I know what's changed *my* life more than anything else ...
- P What's that, Dad?
S The dishwasher.
K Uh? What d'you mean – the dishwasher?
S I mean the dishwasher. I think it's marvellous! Every time I use something – cups, plates, dishes, knives, forks, you know, I just put it in, and after a few days it fills up, I turn it on and 'bingo' – all clean, bright and sparkling and I start again. Helps keep my kitchen tidy. I'm not very good at tidy!

- K Yeah, and the rest of the house is a mess! Come on Grandpa, be a bit more serious, we ...

S I am serious!

- K Well, anyway, *we* all said at school the very best thing was the mobile phone ...

P I knew it!

S Huh! I don't even know how to use one.

- K Oh, I couldn't live without mine. It's brilliant. I can call or text my friends all the time ...

P Don't I know ...

- K ... from wherever I am and they can call or text me. Or if I need a lift from you or Mum ...

P You mean like when you need picking up from a friend's house in the evening?

- K Yeah, that kind of thing ... or if I'm going to be home late, or like staying late at school or whatever – I can just let you and Mum know what's happening.

S OK, OK that's good, but the problem is that people use them too much for every little thing, you're never alone ...

- K You're never alone with a mobile phone, you're never alone ...

P (*laughs*) All right, all right Kelly you can stop that. What I really hate is when people shout into them in public places and *everyone* has to listen to their boring conversations – you know the kind of thing – er 'Hello sweetheart, it's me. I'm on the train, you can put the dinner in the oven.'

S Sometimes it's not just boring, it's really dangerous, you know, when people use them when they're driving – I've seen lots of ...

- K And teachers go absolutely mad if we forget to turn them off and they ring in class or you hear the 'beep' 'beep' 'beep' of a text message.

S I'll bet they do. Good manners certainly aren't a wonder of the modern world!

P Well, I have to say for me the most amazing wonder is an obvious one ... it's the Internet and email. It's changed the whole world and it's totally transformed *my* business. Everyone at work is always on the computer, checking emails, sending emails. It's where most of our business is done nowadays.

S Yeah, but the bad part is that you're glued to your computer all day – er I reckon people'll forget how to communicate face to face soon, it'll all be through machines. Just because you've got all these different ways to communicate doesn't mean there's any more to say! I'm glad I didn't have emails and texting in my day.

- K Ah, but Grandpa, the way things are going, you'll probably be able to send messages through your dishwasher soon!

S Huh, not in my lifetime I hope!

T 1.10 See p12

T 1.11

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| 1 food | 3 stood | 5 read | 7 phone |
| 2 near | 4 paid | 6 work | 8 walk |

T 1.12

- 1 A Sorry I'm late. I got stuck in traffic.
B Never mind. You're here now. Come in and sit down.
- 2 A Bye, Mum! I'm off to school now.
B Take care, my love. Have a nice day!
- 3 A Have you heard that Jenny's going out with Pete?
B Really? I don't know what she sees in him!
- 4 A How long did it take you to do the homework?
B Ages! How about you?
- 5 A I don't know about you, but I'm sick and tired of this weather.
B So am I. I can't stand all this rain.
- 6 A Who was that I saw you with last night?
B Mind your own business!
- 7 A I'm tired. I'm taking next week off.
B That sounds like a good idea. The break will do you good.
- 8 A Let's go for a run in the park!
B Me? Run? You must be joking!
- 9 A Can we get together this afternoon at 3.00?
B I'm sorry. I can't make it then. What about a bit later?
- 10 A What a gorgeous coat! Was it expensive?
B Yes, it cost a fortune!

T 1.13

- 1 I'm taking this Friday and next Monday off. We're going away for a long weekend.
- 2 Can we meet at about 7 o'clock?
- 3 I'm really sorry I'm late. I overslept.
- 4 John's going to take Sue to the party next week.
- 5 Dad, how much do you earn?

Unit 2

T 2.1 See p15**T 2.2**

- 1 Is he married?
Yes, he is.
- 2 What does he do?
He's a lawyer.
- 3 Where does he live?
In a big house in Dallas, Texas.
- 4 Has he got any children?
Yes, he's got two.
- 5 What does his wife do?
She's an interior designer.
- 6 Which sports does he play?
He sometimes plays golf.
- 7 Where is he working at the moment?
In Mexico.
- 8 Is he paid very well?
Yes, he is.

T 2.3**45-year-old college graduate makes \$60,000 a year as a paperboy!**

People think it's a joke that a man my age with a college degree is a paperboy! But, hey, it's great. I'm paid good money – \$60,000 a year for four hours' work a day. On top of that I often get \$50 a week in tips. Not bad!

My job isn't easy. I get up at 2.00 a.m. every day, seven days a week. The first newspaper is delivered at 2.30 a.m. I finish four hours, 65 miles, and 1,000 newspapers later. I drive a red

Chevy Blazer and the newspapers are packed into the back.

I love the peace and quiet in the early morning. Most of the time I have the world to myself. Occasionally, I meet a jogger. I usually get back home by 7.00 a.m. Then I have the rest of the day to be with my family and do what I want. I have two teenage children and my wife works at the University of Iowa. Some days I coach my kids' baseball team, other days I play golf. I'm also studying for my master's degree at the moment. I want to be a marriage counsellor eventually, but I'm not in a hurry. I'm enjoying life too much. Some people think it's not much of a job but, hey, when they're sitting in an office, I'm playing golf! So I ask you – who has the better life?

T 2.4

- 1 I'm paid good money – \$60,000 a year. And I often get \$50 a week in tips.
- 2 I get up at 2.00 a.m. ... The first newspaper is delivered at 2.30 a.m.
- 3 I drive a red Chevy Blazer and the newspapers are packed into the back.
- 4 I love the peace and quiet.
- 5 Occasionally, I meet a jogger.
- 6 I usually get back home by 7.00 a.m.
- 7 My wife works at the University of Iowa.
- 8 Some days I coach my kids' baseball team, other days I play golf.
- 9 I'm also studying for my master's degree at the moment. I want to be a marriage counsellor.
- 10 Some people think it's not much of a job, but, hey, when they're sitting in an office, I'm playing golf.

T 2.5 See p17**T 2.6** Interview with Lucy

I = Interviewer, L = Lucy

- 1 I Do you like your job?
L Oh yes, I do. I enjoy my job very much.
- 2 I Why do you like it so much?
L Because I love working with children and making them laugh.
- 3 I What do you wear to work?
L I wear crazy clothes. A fancy coat and stripy tights.
- 4 I Who are you working with now? Anyone special?
L Well, at the moment I'm working with a very sick little girl from Bosnia. She's had so many operations. She's very special to me.
- 5 I Does she speak any English?
L No, she doesn't. We communicate through laughter.
- 6 I Isn't it tiring?
L Yes, it is. It's very tiring indeed. I'm exhausted at the end of each day.
- 7 I What do you do in the evenings? Do you just go home and relax?
L No, I don't. I often go out with friends. I have the best friends and the best job in the world.

T 2.7 Sport and leisure

Mary

I'm 85 years old, but I've always been interested in keeping fit. Recently, I started doing aerobics. I go once a week – on – erm – a Thursday

morning to the local old people's day centre. It's really nice there. They run a special aerobics class for us. Erm – first thing we do is exercise ... for about three quarters of an hour. We go through all the exercises to music. There are between four and eight of us depending on the weather, really. We just wear loose-fitting clothes and comfortable shoes or trainers and, – erm – apart from the music, and Julianne, our lovely instructor, we don't need anything else! I'm quite good at it now. I can do most of the exercises, although there are one or two that are a bit energetic for me at my age – erm – I'm one of the oldest – erm – some of the others are just babies of about sixty! Afterwards we all go for a cup of tea and a piece of cake in the coffee bar. It's a really nice morning.

Jenny

I didn't start skiing until my mid 40s. Now I go once or twice a year for two weeks, usually in early spring. I live in London, so I go to ski resorts in Europe – in France, Italy, or Austria. At first it was really difficult, starting in my 40s. I spent most of my time on my bottom! But I was determined to learn so I took some classes. My husband thought I was mad – but my children said 'You go for it Mum!' so I did and now my husband's taken up skiing, too. I have my own skis, ski poles, and boots and stuff – that I take with me, and of course all the latest clothes – it's important to be fashionable on the ski slopes, you know. I have a lovely ski suit – I like to look good. Now my instructor says I'm a very good skier and in fact I even give lessons to friends – and my husband! If you've never been skiing, you should try it. Hey, I could give you your first lesson!

Thomas

I absolutely love football. I'm crazy about it. It's the best! I love watching it but I specially enjoy playing it. I am nine years old and I play for the local team at my school's football pitch. I play matches twice a week – on Friday evenings after school and on Sunday mornings. And we also have football coaching on Tuesday evenings when we just practise all our football skills. It's brilliant! Er – we all have a special kit – a football shirt with a number on the back – er – I'm number 7, it's my lucky number! And we wear shorts, socks and stuff, all in matching colours and of course our football boots – oh – and we also have to wear shin pads for protection, you know. We have a team tracksuit, too – but we only wear this before and after matches and for training. Erm – my mum always comes to support us – even when it's raining. Mmm – my team isn't very good, in fact, we nearly always lose – but we don't care! Er – our football coach, Martin, says winning doesn't matter – it's taking part that counts – mmm – maybe he's right, but d'you know what I think? I think it's just fantastic when we win! Yeah.

T 2.8 See p21**T 2.9** See p21**T 2.10**

- 1 'When are you going away on holiday?'
'On the fifteenth.'
'And when do you get back?'

'On the twenty-fourth. I'll give you a ring when we get home.'

- 2 And now the business news. The unemployment rate has risen slightly this month. The national unemployment rate is now 4.2%, and in our area, an estimated 15,000 people are out of work.
- 3 'Thank you for calling the Blackpool Concert Hall. This is Matt speaking. How can I help you?'
'Oh, hi. Erm – do you still have seats for tonight's concert?'
'Yes, we do.'
'Great. I'd like two tickets, please. Can I reserve them by phone?'
'Yes, that's fine. Erm – tickets are £35 each. Could I have your name please?'
'Yes, Sarah Dawson.'
'Thanks.'
'Can I pay by visa?'
'Yes that's fine. Erm – what's your card number please?'
'It's 4929 ... 7983 ... 0621 ... 8849.'
'Let me read that back. 4929 ... 7983 ... 0621 ... 8849.'
'That's right.'
- 4 'Hey, I really like your shoes! Where d'you buy them?'
'At that new shop in town.'
'Oh yeah? Next to the post office.'
'Yeah.'
'How much were they, if you don't mind me asking?'
'£39.99 in the sale. Everything's half price you know, so they were reduced from £79.99.'
'What a bargain!'
- 5 'Hello?'
'Hi Jim. How're things?'
'Fine. Listen – we're having a party this Saturday, and we were wondering if you'd like to come. It's our tenth wedding anniversary.'
'Congratulations. When is it?'
'It starts at seven o'clock.'
'Saturday at seven? Sounds good.'

Unit 3

T 3.1

The Tale of Gluskap and the Baby

Gluskap the warrior was very pleased with himself because he had fought and won so many battles. He boasted to a woman friend: 'Nobody can beat me!'
'Really?' said the woman. 'I know someone who can beat you. His name is Wasis.' Gluskap had never heard of Wasis. He immediately wanted to meet him and fight him. So he was taken to the woman's village. The woman pointed to a baby who was sitting and sucking a piece of sugar on the floor of a teepee.
'There,' she said. 'That is Wasis. He is little but he is very strong.' Gluskap laughed and went up to the baby. 'I am Gluskap. Fight me!' he shouted. Little Wasis looked at him for a moment, then he opened his mouth. 'Waaah! Waaah!' he screamed. Gluskap had never heard such a terrible noise. He danced a war dance and sang some war songs. Wasis screamed louder. 'Waaah! Waaah! Waaah!' Gluskap covered his ears and ran out of the teepee. After he had run a few miles, he stopped and listened. The baby was still

screaming. Gluskap the fearless was terrified. He ran on and was never seen again in the woman's village.

T 3.2

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T 3.3

- 1 What was she doing at 7 o'clock yesterday morning?
She was packing her suitcase.
- 2 What was she doing at 8 o'clock?
She was driving to the airport.
- 3 What was she doing at 10 o'clock?
She was flying to Glasgow.
- 4 What was she doing at half past eleven?
She was having a meeting.
- 5 What was she doing at half past one in the afternoon?
She was having lunch.
- 6 What was she doing at 3 o'clock?
She was visiting Dot Com Enterprises.
- 7 What was she doing at 6 o'clock?
She was writing a report on the plane.
- 8 What was she doing at half past eight in the evening?
She was putting the baby to bed.
- 9 What was she doing at 10 o'clock?
She was relaxing and listening to music.

T 3.4

- 1 A I didn't laugh at his joke.
B Why? Had you heard it before?
- 2 A Were you surprised by the ending of the film?
B No, I'd read the book, so I already knew the story.
- 3 A I went to the airport, but I couldn't get on the plane.
B Why? Had you left your passport at home?
- 4 A I was homesick the whole time I was living in France.
B That's really sad! Had you never lived abroad before?
- 5 A The hotel where we stayed on holiday was awful!
B That's a pity. Hadn't you stayed there before?
- 6 A I met my girlfriend's parents for the first time last Sunday.
B Really? I thought you'd met them before.
- 7 A My grandfather had two sons from his first marriage.
B Really? I didn't know he'd been married before.

T 3.5

An amazing thing happened!

N = Nicola, W = Wanda

- N Hi, Wanda. Did you have a good holiday?
W Oh, yeah, we had a great time. But I have to tell you – the most amazing thing happened.
N Really? What was that?
W Well, Roy and I were at the beach near the hotel and we were swimming in the sea – it was our first day – and this huge wave came along and knocked my sunglasses into the water. I ...
N Why were you swimming in your sunglasses?
W Oh, I don't know. I'd just left them on top of my head. I'd forgotten they were there. Anyway, they were gone. I couldn't find them anywhere. I was really upset. You know Roy had given me those sunglasses for my birthday and they were really expensive.
N I remember – nearly £100.
W Yeah. Anyway, I had to have sunglasses, so I bought a new pair – just a cheap pair this time. The next day I was lying on the beach, sunbathing. Then, suddenly another huge wave ...
N You didn't lose another pair of sunglasses?
W No, no. You'll never believe this – there was another huge wave. It completely covered me. I was so wet and ...
N Are you sure this was a good holiday?
W Yeah – but listen! When I looked down, there on the sand, right next to me, were my expensive sunglasses. The ones I had lost the day before! I couldn't believe my eyes!
N You're joking! That is amazing!

T 3.6 Books and films

- V = Vinnie, W = Will, S = Sue, M = Maeve,
V Hey, I just read a great book.
W A book? Hey Vinnie, we're impressed! What was it?
V *The Philosopher's Stone*
M Isn't that a Harry Potter book?
V Well, yeah, yeah, but ... No, no, come on you guys, – really, it was terrific. I was so amazed. JK Rowling's a really good writer. Lots of adults read her books, they're not just for kids.
W Sure, Vinnie. You believe that, if you want.
S No, come on, he's right. I mean, I've seen people reading Harry Potter on the Underground and I've seen the video – my nephew has it – it's excellent!
M Actually, I've just bought *Captain Corelli's Mandolin* on DVD. Has anyone read that book?
S Oh no, no, please! Not *Captain Corelli's Mandolin*. I could *not* read that book. Everybody said it was great. I could *not* read it.
W You have to skip the first hundred pages and after that it's great.
V Hey guys! Call me old-fashioned but I like to begin a book at the beginning.
W But it is a great story, though – 'specially when it, y'know, moves to him and the girl on the Greek island.
M Yeah, it's a fantastic love story. But sooo sad! Actually, I read it on holiday, on a beach on a