

UNIT 1

GRAMMAR Habits

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

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- 1 As **a** rule, I go out once a week, usually on Saturday evenings.
- 2 I don't read for pleasure as much as I **would** like to.
- 3 I tend **to** see my family just on birthdays and at Christmas.
- 4 We used **to** go to the cinema about once a week before they put the prices up.
- 5 I check the BBC website **all the** time, I rarely use any other sites.
- 6 She must be really busy. She **hardly** ever comes to the badminton club anymore.
- 7 I enjoy going to the theatre but we only go once **in** a while.
- 8 We used to go walking every weekend. We **would** get up early and be out on the hills to see the sunrise.

VOCABULARY Describing films, music and books

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- 1 uplifting 3 awful 5 commercial
- 2 gripping 4 over-the-top

4

- 1 hilarious 3 disturbing 5 catchy
- 2 dull 4 weird

DEVELOPING CONVERSATIONS Disagreeing politely

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- 2 It didn't **really** do anything for me, I'm afraid.
- 3 Er, I'm not **that** keen on jazz.
- 4 Thanks, but I'm not very keen on musicals. I prefer something **a bit** more serious, more realistic.
- 5 To be honest, I'm not **really** interested in fiction.
- 6 Really? I'm not **that** fond of action movies.

LISTENING

6

1 b 2 c 3 a 4 c 5 b 6 b

PRONUNCIATION Strong and weak forms

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- 1 I wish they wouldn't do that! /æ/
I just think that they should be true to the original story. /ə/
2 People used to go out to have fun. /ə/
People don't socialise like they used to. /u:/
3 You used to be a really keen theatre-goer. /ə/
Not as much as I'd like to. /u:/
4 It's the teenagers I feel sorry for. /ɔ:/
I mean, there really isn't much for them to do. /ə/
5 I'm not asking you, I'm telling you! /u:/
I don't want you to watch any more TV. /ə/

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When the function word is at the end of the sentence the pronunciation is usually strong.
When the function word is at the beginning of the sentence the pronunciation is usually weak.

VOCABULARY Talking about pictures

1

- 1 interpretation 4 conventional
- 2 atmospheric 5 ambiguous
- 3 dramatic

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- 1 abstract 3 bold 5 intimate
- 2 realistic 4 subtle

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- 1 d 3 c 5 b 7 a
- 2 g 4 f 6 h 8 e

GRAMMAR Adjectives and adverbs

4

- 1 correct
- 2 She said it was an **absolutely** dreadful film.
- 3 If you arrive **late**ly for work again, you'll be in real trouble.
- 4 Don't forget to check your work **really** carefully.
- 5 She looks very **sad**ly. Do you think she's been crying?
- 6 **Funnily** enough, I was thinking exactly the same thing.
- 7 correct
- 8 Look **directly** at the camera and give a big smile!

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- 1 badly injured 4 absolutely amazing
- 2 completely rebuilt 5 wrongly arrested
- 3 terribly sad 6 unusually chilly

DEVELOPING WRITING

A review – making recommendations

6

Quest – the next big thing? / Triumphant return of Quest

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Quest – the next big thing?

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- 1 expertise 4 downside
- 2 singing along 5 following
- 3 worth 6 encores

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

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Student's own answers.

READING

1

c

2

1 e 2 b 3 h 4 a 5 g 6 c 7 f

3

- 5 who benefits from Secret
- 4 the overall role of Secret
- 1 how Secret works
- 3 who made a good investment from Secret
- 2 who has taken part

4

- 1 heard 3 viewing 5 auction
- 2 snap 4 captured 6 raise

VOCABULARY BUILDER QUIZ 1

- 1**
- | | | |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1 inspiring | 4 disturbing | 6 hilarious |
| 2 subtle | 5 gripping | 7 intimate |
| 3 ambiguous | | |

- 2**
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| 1 challenge | 3 revenge |
| 2 disguise | 4 reward |

- 3**
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| 1 minimal | 5 psychological |
| 2 experimental | 6 fatal |
| 3 moral | 7 conventional |
| 4 commercial | |

- 4**
- If I pass the exam, it will enable **me** to get a better job.
 - The message in the poem is open **to** interpretation.
 - I never tire **of** reading this book.
 - They are bound **to** get together in the end.
 - I used to spend hours online, until my dad banned **me**.
 - Do you think they will get away **with** the robbery?
 - His reasons for leaving struck me **as** odd.

UNIT 2

VOCABULARY Buildings and areas

- 1**
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|-----------------|-------------|
| 1 up-and-coming | trendy |
| 2 historic | grand |
| 3 rough | run-down |
| 4 affluent | stunning |
| 5 deprived | residential |
| 6 high-rise | hideous |

- 2**
- A: dominates
B: dates back has been renovated
 - A: to steer clear
B: knocked down have soared
 - B: were based
A: has been cleaned up

GRAMMAR Relative clauses

- 3**
- We'd walked round the same streets five times, at which point I decided it was time to buy a map.
 - The local people, who had at first appeared rather unfriendly, couldn't do enough for us.
 - Our hotel turned out to be in a pretty rundown part of town, which really spoils the trip.
 - Most of the old town, where my parents had lived for many years, had been knocked down and completely rebuilt.
 - We booked several day trips to the surrounding areas, all of which were really good value for money.
 - The first day of the festival, when everyone dresses up in amazing costumes, is the one not to miss.
- 4**
- The tour didn't finish until 10pm, by which time we had missed dinner. B
 - We spent a week exploring the coastline, which was completely amazing. A
 - We couldn't have managed in Beijing without Nicola, who had done a course in Mandarin Chinese. C

5 My old boss, whose family is from South Africa, gave us a lot of travel tips about Cape Town. D

6 We spent ages planning our visit to different vineyards, none of which were open when we actually got there. F

DEVELOPING CONVERSATIONS

Agreeing using synonyms

- 5**
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| 1 e | 3 g | 5 c | 7 h |
| 2 a | 4 b | 6 f | 8 d |

- 6** (possible answers)
- Yes, it's quite trendy.
 - I agree. It's awful.
 - I know. It's a really run-down area.
 - You're right. It's strange.
 - Yes, it's beautiful, isn't it?
 - Yes, they're wonderful old buildings.
 - Yes, it does look very wealthy.

LISTENING

- 7**
- the annual parade
the street market
old Merchant's House

- 8**
- the street market
 - old Merchant's House
 - the annual parade

PRONUNCIATION Connected speech

- 9**
- The city museum has one of the best collections of modern and abstract art in the country.
 - It's not the kind of place you can see in just a short time.
 - Take a trip into the past and soak up the atmosphere at the street market.
 - So, we spend the morning at the market and we end up at the parade.
 - We need to be up there for the parade anyway.

VOCABULARY Festivals and carnivals

- 1**
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| 2 i, e | 3 a, f | 4 b, h | 5 d |
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- 2**
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| 2 light | 6 carry local |
| 3 play | 7 sit |
| 4 record | 8 get dressed |
| 5 look | 9 spray |

READING

- 3**
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| 1 f | 2 b | 3 e | 4 a | 5 d | 6 c |
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- 4**
- 2, 3, 6, 7

- 5**
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| 1 go | 4 odd |
| 2 all | 5 takes |
| 3 thing | 6 treat |