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## Вступ

Дані методичні рекомендації та навчальні завдання мають на меті комплексне навчання англійської мови в рамках компетентнісного підходу відповідно до вимог, визначених у Загальноєвропейських рекомендаціях з мовної освіти, з особливою увагою до опанування студентами необхідними іншомовними компетентностями.

**Метою** курсу є формування лінгвістичної, комунікативної, соціокультурної компетентності студентів в рамках комунікативного та компетентнісно-орієнтованого підходу до навчання, формування інтерактивних навичок і вмінь усного та писемного мовлення з послідовним удосконаленням кожного окремого виду мовленнєвої діяльності; забезпечення практичного володіння англійською мовою як засобом ефективної світової інтеграції.

У процесі досягнення цієї мети реалізуються основні **завдання** навчання:

– **методичні**: організація процесу навчання англійської мови з урахуванням діалогу культур, інтегрованого підходу, інтерактивних методів, особистісно-орієнтованого навчання;

– **пізнавальні**: розвиток краєзнавчих знань студентів про культуру, традиції та звичаї англійських країн порівняно з національними традиціями та культурою свого народу, використання англійської мови як засобу дослідження різних аспектів суспільного та культурного життя інших країн;

– **практичні**: збільшення та активізація словникового запасу на рівні незалежного користувача англійської мови; розвиток мовної та мовленнєвої компетентності студентів до рівня усвідомленого використання англійської мови на міжособистісному та освітньому рівнях; удосконалення вмінь студентів сприймати іноземну мову на слух, висловлювати власні думки у монологічному, діалогічному усному та писемному мовленні, а також розвиток їх мовної здогадки, вміння самоконтролю; підвищення рівня мовно-граматичної компетентності на основі усвідомленого та коректного використання функціональних граматичних структур.

# PERSONALITY

## 1. Learn the key vocabulary

to be the life and soul of the party	a fun person, someone who is the centre of activity
to bend over backwards:	to try very hard to help someone
broad-minded	prepared to accept other views or behaviours
easy-going	relaxed and not easily worried about anything
extrovert	an energetic person who likes the company of others
fair-minded	to treat people equally
fun-loving	to enjoy having fun
to hide one's light under a bushel	to hide one's talents and skills
good company	enjoyable to socialise with
good sense of humour	the ability to understand what is funny
introvert:	someone who is shy
laid-back:	'easy-going'
to lose one's temper	to suddenly become angry
narrow minded:	opposite of 'broad-minded'
painfully shy	very shy
to put others first	to think of others before yourself
quick-tempered	to become angry quickly
reserved	shy
self-assured	confident
self-centred	thinks only of oneself
self-confident	believes in one's own ability or knowledge
self-effacing	to not try to get the attention of others (especially in terms of hiding one's skills or abilities)
to take after	to be like (often another member of the family)
thick-skinned	not easily affected by criticism
trustworthy	can be trusted

two-faced	not honest or sincere. Will say one thing to someone to their face and another when they are not present.
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## 2. Answer the questions using vocabulary from the brackets

1. How would you describe yourself? (to take after, quite laid-back, to be good company)
2. In which ways are you similar to your friends? (introvert, painfully shy, reserved)
3. Are you similar or different to your brother(s)/sister(s)/mother/father? (fun-loving, extroverted, the life and soul of the party)
4. Describe a teacher you once had who you enjoyed being taught by (easy-going, broad-minded, sense of humour, hid her light under a bushel, self-effacing)
5. Which personal qualities do you think we most want to pass on to our children? (self-confident, self-assured, self-centred)
6. Which characteristics do you think are the least appealing in a person? (narrow-minded, two-faced, a little irritating)
7. Which personality types do you think are less likely to suffer from stress or anxiety? (thick-skinned, fair-minded, quick-tempered)

## 3. Read the dialogue

### Snowflakes and taking offence

The word snowflake has taken on a new meaning in recent years. These days it's used as an insult. It's used to criticise people or groups that are seen to be very easily offended or upset by things that others say. Rob and Neil discuss what it takes to be offended.

This week's question:

In which year was snowflake one of Collins Dictionary's words of the year? Was it...a) 1996b) 2006c) 2016

Neil: Hello. Welcome to 6 Minute English, I'm Neil.

Rob: And I'm Rob.

Neil: Rob, would you say that were a snowflake?

Rob: Wow, I can't believe you said that, that's so offensive. How could you be so rude?

Neil: So I guess that's a yes then? Sorry, I only asked.

Rob: Don't worry, I wasn't really upset, I just wanted to demonstrate the meaning of the word. The word snowflake has taken on a new

meaning in recent years. These days it's used as an insult. It's used to criticise people or groups that are seen to be very easily offended or upset by things that others say.

Neil: There is usually a political side to it too, isn't there?

Rob: Yes, people who use the word snowflake tend to be from the political right and they usually use it about those on the political left, particularly millennials - young, socially aware adults.

Neil: Well we'll explore this topic in more detail shortly, but first a quiz question. In which year was snowflake one of Collins Dictionary's words of the year? Was it...

- a) 1996
- b) 2006
- c) 2016

Rob: Well, we said it's quite a recent word so I'm going for c) 2016.

Neil: Well, we'll find out if you're right later on in the programme. The topic of offence is a very complicated one. First what do we mean by offence Rob?

Rob: Thanks for that. That is a really difficult question. Something that is offensive is rude, insulting and makes people feel hurt and upset. What's difficult about it though is that we don't all find the same things offensive. Some people can be deliberately offensive and some people may be offensive without meaning to be.

Neil: Also, different people respond to offence in different ways - some accept it as the price of free speech and some try to stop the people they think are offensive from saying the things they do.

Rob: These terms come up quite a lot in discussions about equality, race, religion and of course, politics.

Neil: The topic was discussed in detail in the BBC Radio programme Sweet Reason. Evan Davis presented the programme and here is the first part of his summary of the discussion. What does he say is the reason some people talk about offence?

Evan Davis: First, on occasion, people probably do invoke offence when really they just have a political disagreement and on occasion groups that suffer discrimination or exclusion perhaps find it exhilarating or unifying to call out that discrimination.

Neil: He says that some people take offence when it's just a political disagreement. He says they invoke offence.

Rob: If you invoke something it means that you use it to support your

point or explain your action. So to invoke offence is to say that we are acting this way because we are offended by what you have said, although the offence may only be a political difference rather than something truly offensive.

Neil: Davis goes on to say that groups that do suffer from discrimination may get some feelings of unity when they call out discrimination. They feel more together when they publicise and highlight the discrimination they have experienced. Even though some offence that is taken may not be genuine, that doesn't mean people don't have a right to be offended. Here's Evan Davis again.

Evan Davis: Where the so-called snowflakes surely have a point is this, societies are entitled to make certain things taboo and the millennials use of the word offensive is simply designed to say some views are not just wrong they are in a special category of wrong.

Rob: His point here is that societies can decide that certain things are taboo. In this context something that is taboo is something that is regarded by society as being shocking and offensive and that it is OK for people to be offended by these things.

Neil: And I think the point he makes is a good one. The word snowflake is usually used as an insult - but some people may feel proud to be a snowflake because it means they are standing up for a particular standard, they have a level of decency and social responsibility that is higher than that of those who are calling them snowflakes.

Rob: Well I hope we haven't caused any offence today. Before we review the vocabulary, can we have the answer to today's question Neil?

Neil: Of course, I asked in which year was snowflake one of Collins Dictionary's words of the year? Was it...

(a) 1996; (b) 2006; (c) 2016?

Rob: And I said c) 2016. It's got to be right!

Neil: Well, do you want to hear the story? Interestingly the term was coined in 1996 in the book *Fight Club*, but it was in 2016 that it was one of the dictionary's words of the year. Now let's review our words of the day. First there is offence.

Rob: People can take offence and be offended by something that is offensive. Something that is offensive could be rude, insulting and shocking. It might take the form of humiliation or discrimination against a person or group.

Neil: The term snowflake is a word used by some people to talk about

other people who they think get offended too easily and unnecessarily. They don't want to change their language or ideas just because snowflakes get upset. Then we had the word invoke. If you invokesomething you use it as a reason to explain your actions and feelings

Rob: To call something out is to challenge it, to highlight it and look for justification.

Neil: And finally we have taboo. Something that society says is offensive and shocking. So there we have it. What do you think Rob of this topic.

Rob: Well it is a very difficult subject, particularly when it comes to politics, religion and society. Free speech is good but at times, particularly on social media, I think can be unnecessarily unpleasant.

Neil: Well, try not to be offended but it is time for us to leave you for this programme. Do join us next time. Remember you can find us on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and of course our website [bbclearningenglish.com](http://bbclearningenglish.com). And of course, we have a new app which you can find on our website. It's free and it's brilliant isn't it Rob?

Rob: Absolutely!

Neil: See you soon, bye.

Rob: Bye!

#### **4. Answer the questions**

What does snowflake mean?

What exactly is the strange and controversial label 'the snowflake generation'?

Is it unfair to take a hard stance on oppression, injustice and other social issues pertaining to race and gender politics?

Is the snowflake generation a legitimate descriptor of overly sensitive young people unable to deal with reality? Why?

**5. Use a character adjective to fill in the blanks: *attentive, generous, cheerful/easygoing, optimistic, sensitive/moody, impatient/ambitious, trustworthy, lazy, easygoing/cheerful, moody/sensitive***

1. He's the type of person who's always whistling at work. He rarely gets angry or depressed, so I'd say he's a rather \_\_\_\_\_ person.

2. She's a bit difficult to keep up with. One day she's happy, the next she's depressed. You could say she's a \_\_\_\_\_ person.
3. Peter sees the good in everybody and everything. He's a very \_\_\_\_\_coworker.
4. He's always in a rush and worried he's going to miss something. It's hard to work with him because he's really \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Jennifer always makes sure that everybody is taken care of. She's very \_\_\_\_\_ to the needs of others.
6. You can believe anything she says and rely on her to do anything. In fact, she's probably the most \_\_\_\_\_ person I know.
7. Don't count on any work getting done with him around. He doesn't usually work very hard and can be pretty \_\_\_\_\_.
8. I'd say she can't be disturbed by anything and she's happy to do whatever you'd like. She's very \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Be careful about what you say to Jack. He's so \_\_\_\_\_ that he might start to cry if you made a joke about his strange-looking shirt.
10. I swear she'd give the deed to her house to anyone that needed it. To say she is \_\_\_\_\_ is an understatement!

#### 6. How do I see myself?

**Of the following characteristics choose 8 that are particularly applicable to you personally.**

sensitive	thoughtful	active	dominant
talkative	sceptical	balanced	exact
careful	moody	reliable	reserved
benevolent	anxious	carefree	adventurous
passive	open-minded	pessimistic	optimistic
sociable	nervous	impulsive	peaceful
imaginative	hot-blooded	ambitious	well-organised

### FAMILY

#### 1. Learn the key vocabulary

bring up	a person whose lifestyle, political etc choices are designed to minimise human impact on the natural environment
upbringing	the way in which a child is cared for and taught while it is growing up

childcare	arrangements for looking after children while parents work
adolescence	period of human life between childhood and adulthood
aformative year	first few years of a child's life when his/her character develops
spouse	a husband or wife, considered in relation to their partner
extended family	family that includes, not only of parents and children but also of grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins
nuclear family	a mother, father, and their children, considered as a social unit
blood-related	related genetically
godparents	a person who presents a child at baptism
bad blood	a broken or hostile relationship between family or friends
single-parent	a parent, not living with a spouse or partner, who has most of the day-to-day responsibilities in raising the child or children.
siblings	brothers or sisters
dependants	someone who depends on you for financial support, such as a child or family member who does not work
authoritarian	demanding that people obey completely and refusing to allow them freedom to act as they wish
dysfunctional family	a family where there is conflict, misbehavior, and often child neglect, resulting in poor emotional and physical health
emotional security	to feel happy and secure from having enough love, acceptance and respect
responsible parent	having good judgement and the ability to act correctly when bringing up a child e.g. ensuring they are not in any danger
formative years	a period of a person's life, usually childhood, that has a big influence on the person they

	become and the rest of that persons life
fostering	taking on the responsibilities for a child in place of the child's natural parents but without legally adopting the child.
overprotective parents	wishing to protect a child too much
spoiled child	a child who shows bad behaviour from overindulgence by their parents

**2. Answer the questions using vocabulary from the brackets**

1. Do you have a large or small family?
2. How much time do you spend with your family?
3. What do you like to do together as a family? (get together, catch up)
4. Do you get along well with your family? (close to each other, to guide us physically and emotionally)
5. Is yours a typical family?
6. Are there many different types of family in your country? (adopt a child)
7. Who are you closest to in your family? (share the same ideas)
8. In what ways have families in your country changed in recent? (spouses, to involve in the household, career perspectives, high cost of living, various job opportunities, to perform different roles)
9. Should husbands and wives have different roles within the family? (fulfill financial needs, to take care of the house, to have clear-cut roles in society, move in the same direction)
10. Which are more important to you: your family or your friends? (dear to my heart, share and discuss things, to bring up in the family circle, friends may come and go)
11. Do you agree that friends have a bigger impact on our psychological well-being than family relationships? (friendships fade, our needs change, passive friends, active friends, to maintain the network of acquaintances, deep connection)
12. Whom do you learn from? Why? (live a balanced life)
13. Who challenges you? Why? (stay connected)
14. With whom do you find joy? Why? (life gets hectic, big gestures make a big impression )

### **3. Read the information below, paying attention to the collocations about family**

Your parents and siblings (brothers and sisters) are your immediate family - and your extended family includes all your relatives - uncles, cousins, great-aunts, etc.

You can use a family tree to diagram the relationships among your family members. A person who is related to you by a long series of connections can be called a distant relative.

If you're lucky, you have a loving family or a close-knit family - these expressions refer to a family that has good relationships, where everyone loves each other and helps each other. If you were raised in a loving family, then you probably had a carefree childhood - that means you had nothing to worry about when you were young.

On the other hand, a family in which the relationships are bad or unhealthy can be called a dysfunctional family. If the children experience abuse, poverty, or problems with the law, we can say they had a troubled childhood.

Perhaps the parents went through a bitter divorce - that means a separation in which there were bad/angry feelings between the husband and wife. It's also possible to have a messy divorce, with a prolonged legal battle involving lots of conflicts about the separation of the former couple's assets (money and possessions). The decisions about the separation of assets are made in the divorce settlement. A family in which there are divorces or separations is sometimes called a broken home.

Sometimes the mother and father fight over custody of the children - that refers to who has the primary responsibility of caring for the kids. A judge can grant joint custody - that means the ex-husband and ex-wife share the responsibility - or sole custody to only one parent. For example, a judge might award sole custody to the mother, and the father has to pay child support - regular payments to help with expenses for the kids.

If it was a mutual divorce/separation - that means the ex-husband and ex-wife agreed to separate without fighting - then they will probably stay on good terms with each other (meaning to have a polite relationship without conflicts).

If a woman gets pregnant without being married or in a relationship, then she will become a single mother. Some women in this situation

choose to have an abortion, and others prefer to give the baby up for adoption. The time when the baby is planned to arrive is called the due date - you can also say the baby is due in mid-October, for example.

After the woman has the baby (or gives birth to the baby), the baby is given to the adoptive parents, who will raise the child or bring up the child as if it was their own. Sometimes, when the adopted child is older, he or she tries to find their birth mother (biological mother).

#### **4. Choose the best word to complete each sentence**

1. A friend of mine gave / took / went birth to her son at home with the help of a nurse.
2. A number of the kids in my classroom come from broken / damaged / hurt homes.
3. After a hostile / cruel / bitter divorce from his wife of 20 years, the actor married a woman young enough to be his daughter.
4. I see my excepted / expanded / extended family once a year, during our annual family vacation.
5. I was raised in a very joyful / loving / tender family, in which everyone helped each other.
6. I was created / grown / raised by my grandparents after my parents passed away.
7. I'm on good friends / relations / terms with all my former boyfriends.
8. John had a carefree / careful / careless childhood, growing up with happily married parents and three brothers.
9. Many women regret giving / having / taking an abortion years afterwards.
10. My aunt's going through a messy / sloppy / untidy divorce; she's paying a fortune in legal fees.
11. My husband doesn't get along with a few of my family people / individuals / members.
12. Although my salary is low, I get child assistance / provision / support from my ex-husband.
13. My sister got / had / made pregnant immediately after she got married.
14. My son is making a diagram of our family roots / tree / web for a school project.
15. My wife is pregnant with twins. They're come / due / here in February.

16. Sally was granted sole custody / guardian / keeping of the children from her first marriage.
17. Teenagers who had a distressed / troubled / worsened childhood often have behavior problems in school.
18. The celebrity wrote a book about his debilitated / defective / dysfunctional family.
19. The divorce contract / reimbursement / settlement awarded the wife \$500,000.
20. There are four people in my close / immediate / neighboring family.
21. They have three biological children and two adopted / adoptive / adopting children.

### Family Issues

**5. Choose a word to fit in each gap. You should use each word once only. You may pluralise if necessary:**

<i>materialistic</i>	<i>woe</i>	<i>epidemic</i>	<i>obstinate</i>
<i>promiscuous</i>	<i>device</i>	<i>amok</i>	<i>breakdown</i>
<i>chasm</i>	<i>inept</i>	<i>crisis</i>	<i>conspicuous</i>

1. Father and mother figures are becoming more and more \_\_\_\_\_ by their absence, forced to spend a greater amount of time away from the family unit due to workplace commitments.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the family unit is leading to single-parent families.
3. Economic \_\_\_\_\_ are helping to create a situation whereby there are more and more families with two working parents.
4. There is not so much a gap as a huge \_\_\_\_\_ between the generations; this causes regular disputes and misunderstandings.
5. Adolescent teens are experiencing a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ of identity and are not being given sufficient parental guidance to cope.
6. Children are being left unsupervised more often and from a younger age, and given licence to run \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The prevailing culture of opting for convenience and junk foods is contributing to the obesity \_\_\_\_\_ affecting today's youth.
8. The fact that fewer and fewer families sit down to eat together at the dinner table is helping to create a generation that is socially \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Left to their own \_\_\_\_\_, many youths are turning to destructive habits like smoking and drinking.

10. The youth of today are more opinionated and \_\_\_\_\_ than ever before.

11. Young people are exploring their sexuality from a younger age and are becoming more and more \_\_\_\_\_. Experimenting in this way can lead to problems such as teenage pregnancy.

12. Parents try to compensate for the fact that they are around less by buying more gifts for their children, and, in so doing, unintentionally contribute to the skewing of values in society such that more and more emphasis is being placed on \_\_\_\_\_ things.

## 6. Read the dialogue

### Fathers

Why do men want to have children? Evolutionary anthropologist Anna Machin wrote a book about it and tries to answer this question. Catherine and Neil - a father himself - discuss her theories and teach you six items of related vocabulary.

This week's question:

According to recent research in the UK, what percentage of men are present when their children are born? Is it...

- a) 55%
- b) 75%
- c) 95%

Catherine: Hello. I'm Catherine.

Neil: And I'm Neil.

Catherine: Now, Neil, you're a dad, aren't you?

Neil: I am a dad. How did you know? Is it the grey hair in my beard? Is it the wrinkles around the eyes?

Catherine: I thought that was just your age.

Neil: Well, yes, maybe. In today's programme we're going to be talking about fathers and how being a father has changed over the years. But before we hear more about this topic, our question for the day. According to recent research in the UK, what percentage of men are present when their children are born? Is it... a) 55% b) 75% c) 95%. What do you think?

Catherine: I think a lot of men these days like to see their children born. It's not culturally inappropriate so I'm going to go for 95%.

Neil: Well, we'll find out if you're right at the end of the programme. Now, Dr Anna Machin is an evolutionary anthropologist. She studies, among other things, how human behaviour has changed and is changing. She's written a book called *The Life of Dad*. She's been studying new fathers and spoke about her research on the BBC's *Woman's Hour* programme. She asked why men want to become fathers. She starts by saying that there are lots of reasons but how many does she mention in her answer?

Dr Anna Machin: There's lots of different reasons why men want to be fathers ... for some of them it's just a stage in life they've reached. They've got the house, they've got the job, now it's time to have a family.

Sometimes they admit that actually they're not that keen, but their partner wants a baby, so they're kinda going along with it. And a reasonable number actually say they do it because they want to undo what their father did to them, so rewrite history in relation to fathers and the experience of fathering, to be a better father than their father was.

Neil: How many reasons does she mention?

Catherine: She mentioned three reasons. The first was that it was that time in life – the guys had a home and a job and having children was the thing to do next.

Neil: Another reason was that it was what their partners wanted, even if they weren't that keen themselves. If you're not keen on something it means you are 'not enthusiastic about it', it's not really something you want to do, but because it's what their partner wants they agree to it, or as Dr Machin said, they're going along with it.

Catherine: Yes, going along with something, is a phrase that means 'agreeing to do' something even though you don't really want to do it. It's interesting that Dr Machin said that some men admit to this.

To admit to something is to 'say or agree that something is true even if you're perhaps ashamed of it or you don't want it to be true'.

Neil: There was one more reason she mentioned and that was that some men become parents because they want to be a better father than their own father had been. Let's listen again.

Dr Anna Machin: There's lots of different reasons why men want to be fathers ... for some of them it's just a stage in life they've reached. They've got the house, they've got the job, now it's time to have a family.

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reasonable number actually say they do it because they want to undo what their father did to them, so rewrite history in relation to fathers and the experience of fathering, to be a better father than their father was.

Neil: So what is it about some father's own dads that they didn't like? Here's Dr Machin again.

Dr Anna Machin: Well, in some cases, you know, the father would be neglectful, some fathers were absent and others they just felt they were a very, I suppose, we'd say a 1950s father so distant, disciplinarian not actually involved in their children's daily life and certainly not involved in their care.

So today's generation fathers, even in the 10 years that I've been studying dads we've seen a massive evolution in how hands-on fathers are.

Neil: She talks there about some negative characteristics associated with dads in the past. She suggests that some fathers didn't have a very close relationship with their sons, they were absent which means they weren't at home a lot and 'didn't spend time' with their children.

Catherine: Yes, and some fathers were seen as a disciplinarian. That describes someone whose main communication with their children was to give them strict rules and tell them off or punish them if they did something wrong.

Neil: These days, according to Dr Machin, fathers are much more hands-on. This phrase means they are 'much more involved' with their children and share bringing up their children with their partners.

Catherine: And talking of sharing, Neil, come on – it's time to know the answer to today's question.

Neil: Yes, indeed. According to recent research in the UK, what is the percentage of fathers who are there when their children are born? Was it 55%, 75% or 95%?

Catherine: And I said a very optimistic 95%.

Neil: Being optimistic is good obviously because you are correct.

Catherine: That's fantastic!

Neil: And now, for something else fantastic, our review of today's vocabulary...

Catherine: We started off with admit to for when you say something is true, even if it might make you look a little bit bad. And before we go on I have to admit, Neil, that it was me who ate your biscuit.

Neil: Which one?

Catherine: The one that you left on the desk.

Neil: That's all right. I wasn't really keen on it anyway. It had been on the floor.

Catherine: What? Yuck!

Neil: Yeah, well, it serves you right! And to be keen on something is our next phrase, meaning 'being very interested in and enthusiastic about' something.

Catherine: Then we had to go along with something. This is when you agree to do something even if you are not keen on it.

Neil: An absent father is one who is not at home to spend time with his children.

Catherine: And some fathers are disciplinarians. They 'have strict rules and they give out punishments' but these days more fathers are hands-on which means they are 'very much involved' in looking after and bringing up their children.

Neil: Well, that's all we have time for today. Join us again next time and remember you can find us on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and of course our website [bbclearningenglish.com](http://bbclearningenglish.com). See you soon. Goodbye!

Catherine: Bye!

## 7. Express your personal opinion about the topic

### FOOD, DIET, RESTAURANTS

#### 1. Learn the key vocabulary

dine in	dine at home. We're dining in tonight.
dine out	dine at a restaurant. We're dining out tonight.
fussy eater	someone who is very picky about the food and doesn't eat everything. My husband is a fussy eater, and he's never pleased with my cooking.
home-cooked food	food cooked at home, usually implies that food is healthy. Preparing home-cooked food is a good way to make a balanced meal.

in a walking distance of	close to. I usually dine at a restaurant that's in a walking distance of my home.
Italian cuisine	traditional Italian food. You can also say French cuisine, Russian cuisine, Chinese cuisine and so on. I adore pasta, pizza and Italian cuisine in general.
more of a chore than a pleasure	something you do rather unwillingly. I think that cooking is more of a chore than a pleasure.
mouth-watering	delicious, appetizing. My mouth is watering; that is to say you find something very appetizing
nutritious products	products rich in calories. A nutritious breakfast is a great way to start the day, as it gives your body the nutrients and you get enough energy.
processed food	food that has been modified in an undesirable or unhealthy way to achieve its current state. Try to avoid processed foods like flavored nuts and cereal bars. It is much healthier to eat organic food.
quality justifies the bill	when a product is worth buying due its good quality, even if it's expensive. I first thought those strawberries were too expensive, but when I tasted them I understood that their quality justified the bill.
quick snack	a light and quick meal, usually unhealthy. Eating quick snack instead of main meal can be harmful for stomach.
ready meal	a meal that you buy already cooked, which only requires reheating to be eaten. I had no desire to cook, so I bought a ready meal in a nearby supermarket.
restrain one's hunger	to avoid eating when you really want to, usually practiced during diets. John couldn't restrain his hunger anymore and went to the nearest fast-food restaurant.

slap-up meal	a quick and fatty meal. To slap up means to cook something very quickly. I feel like making a slap-up meal tonight.
starving hungry	to be extremely hungry. I woke up starving hungry yesterday and ate the whole roast chicken.
take-away	a meal prepared in a café/restaurant and eaten at home. I'm going to ring the Japanese restaurant and order a takeaway.
the main meal	the most important meal of the day.
to be dying of hunger	an exaggerated way of saying you are really hungry. I haven't eaten all day. I'm dying of hunger!
to be full-up	to eat to the point that you can't eat anymore .- Would you like more chips? - No, thank you, I'm already full-up!
to be ravenous (to have ravenous appetite)	to be really hungry, starving, voracious. After working all day, I had a ravenous appetite.
to bolt something down	to eat a large amount of food very quickly. Don't bolt your food down like that, it's very rude!
to catch a snack	to eat a little portion of food very quickly.
to grab a bite to eat	to eat something quickly. I won't eat the whole cake, just let me grab a bite to eat.
to foot the bill	to pay the bill. You paid for dinner last time. Let me foot the bill for lunch today.
to have a sweet tooth	to enjoy eating sweet food. Dave eats candy all the time. He must have a sweet tooth.

to overeat oneself	eat too much, eat immodestly. If you overeat, you're bound to get fat.
to tuck into	to eat something greedily and with pleasure. After not eating the whole day, he tucked into the ham like a savage.
to work up an appetite	to do something that will lead to hunger. He must have worked up an appetite in the gym
to eat a balanced diet	to eat correctly and in time.

## 2. Answer the questions using vocabulary from the brackets.

1. Do you like to cook? (ready meals, take-, home-cooked food, the restaurant industry encourages overconsumption, restaurant portions are often more than our bodies need to be satisfied, restaurants food often incorporate more fats, sugars, and sodium)

2. What time do you usually eat breakfast/lunch/dinner/? (a fussy eater, eat like a horse, work up quite an appetite)

3. Describe a restaurant that you like to use (a slap-up meal, to wine and dine, a 3-course meal, to have a sweet tooth, foot the bill)

4. How can we encourage people to eat more healthily? (to eat a balanced diet, to cook fresh ingredients, processed foods usually have unnecessary added sugar, cultivate healthy eating habits, serious threats to our health, discourage overeating)

5. Do you think people enjoy their food as much as they should? (to eat a quick snack, dying of hunger, bolt it down, have addictive qualities, overeating causes weight gain and obesity, long-term effects of processed foods on our bodies, can harm someone's general health, quality of life)

6. Do you think cooking is a pleasure or a chore for people who have busy lives? (to follow a recipe, to tuck into, time-consuming, budget-friendly diet)

## 3. Read the dialogue

### The food delivery revolution

Neil: Hello. I'm Neil.

Georgina: And I'm Georgina. I'm going to order some takeaway food, Neil, do you want anything? Maybe a pizza? Fish and chips?

Indian curry?

Neil: Hmm, takeaway food to eat at home – that’s a great idea. Yes, I’ll have a poké bowl, please.

Georgina: What’s that? It doesn’t sound like typical takeaway food.

Neil: It is nowadays, Georgina! Over the last few years the explosion of food delivery apps like Deliveroo and Just Eat has seen a revolution in takeaway food. Today it’s not just pizza and curries being delivered to people’s front door – there’s a wide range of food dishes and styles from all around the world.

Georgina: And with cafés and pubs closed during lockdown, more and more food chains and restaurants are switching to delivery-only services – takeaways – to bring meals to people who are isolating.

Neil: Over the last few weeks many takeaway companies have seen orders increase dramatically as people find themselves stuck at home due to the coronavirus pandemic. But what are they choosing to eat? That’s my quiz question for today, Georgina – last year what was Deliveroo’s most ordered dish?

Was it: a) Hawaiian Poké bowls? b) Cheeseburgers? c) Chicken burritos?

Georgina: I would have thought it was ‘fish and chips’, but I’ll go with b) Cheeseburgers.

Neil: OK, we’ll find out later if you were right. One consequence of the increasing popularity of takeaways is something called ‘dark kitchens’. Unlike apps such as Deliveroo and Just Eat which connect customers to local takeaways, these digital ‘dark kitchens’ work as just-for-delivery restaurants. Inside, chefs cook in kitchens without waiters, tables or diners, preparing high-quality dishes ready for delivery straight to your home.

Georgina: One of the first ‘dark kitchen’ operations, Taster, was started by chef Anton Soulier who in 2013 was working for Deliveroo when it was just a tiny company operating only in London. Now he’s in charge of twelve kitchens catering for customers in London, Paris and Madrid.

Neil: Sheila Dillon of BBC Radio 4’s The Food Programme went to the Bethnal Green area of east London find out more.

Sheila Dillon: When you go on the Taster website the restaurant names are virtual, all of them sold as ‘designed for delivery’ by Taster. What that means is all the menus, drawn up by serious chefs are

designed to travel well, chosen so they'll be warm, retain their texture and won't look like a dog's dinner when they come off the back of a bike. So strangely the delivery, the bike, has become a shaper of the foods we eat.

Neil: All the restaurants on Taster are virtual – existing online and created by computers to appear like the real thing.

Georgina: Chefs cook the dishes using recipes and ingredients designed to travel well - be transported a long way without being damaged or their quality being spoiled.

Neil: That's to avoid the takeaway food ending up like a dog's dinner - an informal way to say something that looks messy or has been very badly done.

Georgina: Usually the takeaways are transported in a box on the back of a delivery cyclist who rushes them from the kitchen to the customer's home. It's a very modern way of eating, which Sheila thinks has become a shaper of the foods we eat – meaning that it has a strong influence on how a situation develops.

Neil: However some are worried that the increase in takeaways and delivery-only food means people are losing basic cooking skills. It's something that Taster boss Anton has noted too.

Anton Soulier: There is a strong underlying trend that maybe, in twenty, thirty years people won't have kitchens – and it's already happening in the US for example. I love cooking, it's one of my passions but I'm rarely doing it - occasionally on Sundays and everything as it's almost going to become a weekend hobby.

Georgina: People choosing to eat takeaways instead of cooking at home has become an underlying trend – a general development in how people behave which is real but not immediately obvious.

Neil: And in the future, cooking at home may even switch from being a daily necessity to a hobby – an activity someone does in their spare time for pleasure or relaxation.

Georgina: I do enjoy tucking into a takeaway sometimes but personally I couldn't survive without my kitchen, Neil.

Neil: Ah, but could you survive without Deliveroo? Remember in today's quiz question I asked you what Deliveroo's most ordered dish was.

Georgina: I said b) Cheeseburgers.

Neil: But the correct answer was a) Hawaiian Poké bowls – a

Hawaiian version of sushi.

Georgina: Now that's something I couldn't cook at home!

Neil: Today we've been discussing the revolution in takeaways and home-delivered food which in recent years has become an underlying trend - a general development in how people behave, or in this case, eat.

Georgina: Another trend has been the creation of virtual restaurants – online restaurants which look like the real thing but exist only on the internet.

Neil: Chefs create dishes using ingredients which travel well - can be transported a long way without being damaged or spoiled. That's so the customer doesn't end up with a dog's dinner - an informal expression meaning something messy or badly done.

Georgina: Recent developments like high-quality restaurant meals being delivered by bike are shapers of modern eating – things that have a strong influence on how a situation develops.

Neil: All of which means that cooking may soon become just a hobby – an activity someone does in their spare time for pleasure or relaxation, for example cycling...

Georgina: ...or learning English.

Neil: That's all we have time for today. Happy cooking and goodbye for now!

Georgina: Bye!

#### **4. Express your personal opinion about the topic**

#### **5. Guess the dish**

1. These can be found almost anywhere in the world where the company who makes them has an outlet. A white bun is toasted and cut into three pieces. Two flat cakes of fried minced beef are put inside with a slice of processed cheese on the top. Add a few pieces of salad, some mayonnaise and a slice of pickled gherkin, serve with French fries and you have a symbol of America.
2. A famous dessert in the country it comes from. Made of eggs, milk and sugar with coffee. The Italian name translates into English as 'pull me up', so you eat it when you are feeling down.
3. A thin round base of a special kind of pastry is coated with tomato paste and grated cheese. That's the basis of all of the different kinds of this dish. You then choose extra toppings to add. Examples are,

olives, fresh tomato, ham, salami, anchovies and onion. The whole thing is then put in a special oven to cook. When ready it can be eaten whole at the table or cut into slices to takeaway.

4. Potatoes are cut into long fingers and deep-fried in oil. The fish, usually cod or plaice, is dipped into a liquid mixture of eggs, milk and flour, and then deep-fried. Usually served as a takeaway, you add salt, vinegar and a cold, white sauce called tartare sauce. In the old days it was wrapped in newspaper, but the authorities eventually put an end to that for health reasons and today it is wrapped in sheets of clean, white paper. The only British dish many people can name.
5. It doesn't really taste like its name. For a start, it is sweet, while the name suggests something savoury. The base is made of biscuit and the top is sweet and made of eggs and a special kind of cheese. Often there is a layer of fruit. Hard to find anyone who doesn't like it – but it'll make you fat fast.

#### **6. Listen to a situation at a restaurant.**

<https://elllo.org/english/0501/512-Akane-Restaurant.html>

#### **7. Answer the following questions about the interview.**

- 1) What does she request?
  - a) Table for one in smoking
  - b) Table for one in non-smoking
  - c) Table for two in non-smoking
- 2) What will she have to drink?
  - a) A glass of red wine
  - b) A bottle of red wine
  - c) Just a glass of water
- 3) What will she have for an appetizer?
  - a) The melon
  - b) The onion rings
  - c) The fries
- 4) What will she have with the goulash?

- a) Potatoes
- b) Rice
- c) Bread

5) What will she have with the cake?

- a) Ice cream
- b) Whipped cream
- c) Custard

6) How much is the bill?

- a) 13 dollars
- b) 30 dollars
- c) 33 dollars

**8. Read the following dialogue. Fill in the missing words.**

Waiter: Hello. Can I help you?

Kitty: Yes. I'd like to have lunch.

Waiter: Would you like to have a .....?

Kitty: Yes, I'd like to have a bowl of chicken soup, please.

Waiter: And what would you like to have for the ..... ?

Kitty: I'd like to have cheese burger.

Waiter: Would you like anything .....

Kitty: Yes, I'd like to have a glass of Coke.

Waiter (After Kitty having her lunch): Can I bring you anything else?

Kitty: No thank you. But I'd like to have ....., please.

Waiter: Certainly. (After a moment)

Waiter: That's \$34.

Kitty: Here you are. Thank you very much.

Waiter: You're welcome. Have a nice day.

Kitty: Thank you, same to you.

**9. Grammar task. Read the rules**

1. Suggest + noun phrase

E.g. Can you suggest a good restaurant in this part of town?

My teacher suggested an exam I could take at the end of the year.

2. Suggest + that-clause (in informal style we can omit 'that')

E.g. I suggest (that) you leave here around four o'clock.

I suggest (that) you drive.

Mark suggested that I called him.

Andrew suggests that we should watch his Youtube channel with our friends.

“I suggest that we should visit Paris”/“I suggest we should visit Paris.”  
(informal)

Her doctor suggested that she should reduce her working hours and take more exercise.

### 3. Suggest + -ing form

E.g. She suggested travelling together for safety, since the area was so dangerous.

### 4. Suggest + question word (where, what, who, how)

Could you suggest where I might be able to buy a nice sweater for Mark?

Can anyone suggest how we might attract more people to the next event?

## 10. Make some necessary changes in the following sentences.

1. I suggested ... (call) a taxi so we wouldn't be late.

2. John suggested ... (go) together in one car.

3. She suggested ... (take) notes.

4. The doctor suggests ... he lose some weights.

5. He suggested ... (travel) together for safety, since the area was so dangerous.

6. She suggested .... i should go abroad for further study.

7. She suggests ...(have) the car repaired as soon as possible.

8. She suggests .... I should study hard to get high marks.

9. “Why suggest .... (go) to Yellowstone in August when the park is the most jammed?”

10. He also suggests .... (go) with your mother to her appointments.

11. I suggest .... you do more exercise to keep your blood pressure down.

12. I'm suggesting ... we do something to stop this disagreement.

## 11. Paraphrase the following, starting with

*He suggested..., They suggested...*

1. Let's order pizza online.

2. What about going to a restaurant today?
3. How about drinking coffee?
4. Why don't we order local food?
5. Couldn't we invite your grandmother to our party?
6. Shall we have a walk along the river?
7. What would you say to a cup of tea?
8. Don't you think it's a good idea to have salad?
9. Does it matter if we use your car?
10. Let's cook something up together!

## FREE-TIME ACTIVITIES

### Going to a Concert

#### 1. Match the word/phrase with the definition

1) nosebleed seats	a. a delivery method where you pick up your tickets at the venue's box office on the day of your event
2) mosh pit	b. a place where a public event or meeting happens
3) pit seats	c. very close
4) pushy people	d. a room where a person can leave something they don't want to carry
5) bouncer	e. the specific area in which dancing, bumping against each other take place
6) coat check	f. the seats that are farthest from the desired activity, which typically cost less
7) within touching distance	g. the place where tickets are sold
8) box office	h. the practice of being passed over the top of a crowd of people such as an audience at a concert
9) venue	i. aggressive people
10) will call	j. the seats in the area closest to the stage
11) crowd surfing	k. to demand an extra or repeated performance of a piece of music, etc. by a performer
12) encore	l. a person employed at a club, pub, disco, etc., to throw out drunks or troublemakers and stop those considered undesirable from entering

## **2. Fill the gaps with the words or phrases from previous exercise**

1. I wish you wouldn't be so stingy when you're buying tickets. I'm fed up with watching concert in the .....seats. 2. I've bought ..... seats tickets for a concert but worried that I might end up looking up and get a stiff neck. 3. Most venues offer a ....., through which you can pick your tickets up usually an hour or two before the show. 4. .... tickets are available for pickup on the day of the show. 5. Will call means your tickets are held for pick up at the .....of the event. 6. This is one of the best outdoor ..... in Atlanta. Great ampitheatre with great sound. 7. My therapist says, we attract and are attracted to the type of people who treat us how we treat ourselves or subconsciously think we should be treated. It looks I find nice, stable people boring and I always attract..... 8. We could hardly see the stage for the number of people ..... and sitting on other people's shoulders. 9. An ..... is when performers give an additional performance after the show has ended. 10. The band refused to play ..... 11. For the ..... the band performed a cover tune. 12. I was very close, ....., of the lead singer. 13. This venue offers ..... service for \$3 per item.

## **3. Learn words that collocate with *price***

1. Ticket prices were reasonable, but the food and drinks were grossly overpriced. 2. Average ticket prices for big arena gigs have doubled since 1990s. 3. Gig ticket prices skyrocket online. 3. Prices shot up by 25% during the holiday season. 4. Prices shot up from \$100 at the start of the year, to more than \$200 at the end. 5. Let's finalize the price. 6. Current prices range from \$250 in the grandstand to \$3,000 for pit seats. 7. Demand for video services has skyrocketed making video marketing services the highest-paying gigs on the platform. 8. They'd rather sell underpriced tickets than have an empty venue. 9. The most economical tickets are \$50, the medium-priced seats are \$100, the costliest tickets are \$200. 10. Since 1996, prices increased by only 20 % for jazz and blues concerts, but by 74 % for rock and pop.

## **4. Paraphrase the words in the brackets using words and phrases from previous exercises**

1. The band is (pricing the tickets really low) so that fans can get a ticket as cheap as \$20. 2. Tickets don't have (to cost a fortune). 3. In every

venue there are still (good seats) and (bad seats). 4. If they (charge too much), the place is going to be half empty. 5. Prices (were jacked up) by 25 times on non-official ticket sales websites. 6. Standing tickets are ordered just like any other ticket and (cost between \$5 and \$10). 7. He wanted to make sure his fans could get his tickets for a (fair) price. 8. Americans say concert tickets, college tuition, and health insurance are the most (expensive) items. 9. We've got both the (cheapest) and the (most expensive) tickets. 10. If you have gone to a rock 'n' roll concert lately, you probably noticed that the price of tickets (soared). 11. The average ticket price (jumped) from \$44 to \$110.

**5. Fill in the gaps with *should, can, might, must* and a proper form of the Infinitive in brackets**

1. They ..... (inform) they don't have a coat check.
2. They sell twice as many tickets as they ....-
3. What ..... I do with my jacket at a concert? –
4. What ..... I wear to the concert? –
5. How .... I purchase advance tickets for this show? –
6. Where and when .... I pick up my will call tickets? –
7. Bags that are not in compliance .... be checked at a bag check area. –
8. Large bags and umbrellas.... be left at coat check for a nominal fee. –
9. He ..... be an avid concert goer, he never misses any gig.
10. There ..... be opening acts before the main artist performs. –
11. He ..... come with us tomorrow, but he's not sure yet .
12. She looks far too young, she ..... not be 18
13. I'm sure, she .... (not go) home because her bike is still here
14. He ..... (not purchase) tickets for the concert, he's too young.
15. Lisa's quite late getting here. She .... (get lost)

**6. Rewrite the text as two conversations in direct speech**

I saw Nick yesterday and he told me that he wanted to go to the concert on Friday night, but that he wasn't going, so I asked him why he wasn't going and he said that he didn't have enough money to go. So I said that I would get him a ticket, if he liked. He looked surprised and said that he would be really grateful if I did that for him and then went on to promise that the next time there was a concert that we both wanted to go to he would get me a ticket.

I phoned Amelia immediately to tell her I was so happy, because I

had just offered to buy Nick a ticket for the concert at the weekend and that he had agreed but on the condition that he would get me a ticket for the next concert. She asked me why that made me happy! And I replied that it was because I really like him and now I would be going out with him not once but twice.

**7. Write two new sentences, either one in active and one passive, or two in passive, without changing the meaning of the sentences**

E.g. *We know that Danny is a good singer. – It is known that Danny is a good singer. Danny is known to be a good singer.*

1. Review says the band has the looks, the hooks, and the mainstream/heavy duality to appeal to a wide range. 2. Music critics say their debut album hasn't been topped yet. 3. It is estimated that *Green Day* made hundreds of thousands of dollars by licensing '99 Revolutions'. 4. It is reported that *merchandise* sales make up a pretty big portion of most touring acts' income. 5. It is expected that members of the rock band *Kiss* will kick off a farewell concert tour in January. 6. It seems "*While She Sleeps*" has found a shiny new second act. 7. It is believed that *Slipknot*'s new album is due for release next year. 8. It is believed that this song will be a part of the band's upcoming new album, which is scheduled to be released/to be dropped sometime next year. 9. It is expected that tour will last two to three years and extend around the world. 10. We believe 'Alone in a Room' is the #1 most played track at Music Choice Rock Channel. 11. We consider that he was hands down the best singer that the US has ever produced. 12. Music critics say there is only one song in the album that branches out. 13. Critics say he was an outstanding performer. 14. Critics say he is an outstanding performer. 15. It is reported that approximately 800,000 people die by suicide every year. 16. WHO reports that suicide is the second leading cause of death among individuals 15 to 29 y/o. 17. Music reviewers believe the much anticipated debut album will sell big. 18. They say the band channels *Bring Me The Horizon* in more ways than it should. 19. They say it has been a banner year for UK metalcore band *Architects*. 20. It is estimated that *Architects*' *Holly Hell* landed some of the best sales. 21. They say the 3rd single of the upcoming album is poppy and the most radio-friendly. 22. They believe the new album will be a follow-up to 2017's *You Are We*. 23. It is reported the band self-funded their latest album with the help of their fans. 24. They say the opening night was hands

down the best. 25. They believe fans gravitated to the heavier side of the band.

## **8. Read the text and express your opinion**

### **Did You Know?**

Every rocker knows about the horn sign, a hand gesture raising pinky and index fingers on one hand. The sign of the horns was first associated with metal music by Ronnie James Dio of 'Black Sabbath.' He flashed the sign at the audience because it's a blessing his Italian grandmother used to ward off the evil eye. In other words, it's meant to flip off the devil, not tell him you think he's cool.

Gene Simmons, co-lead singer of KISS, wants to control the trademark on the famous hand gesture and officially submitted his application for the trademark. Simmons claims he first used the gesture in 1974, while performing with KISS.

Is it truly possible to trace the origin of the hand gesture? We doubt it, but anyway, horns up, rockers!

## **9. Answer these questions**

1. What music are you influenced by?
2. Are you an avid concert-goer?
3. What was the best concert you have been to?
4. What's the best concert moment you've ever had?
5. Would you travel to another country just to see your favorite band's gig? What is the deciding factor?
6. Do you fancy the support act before the main one when some unknown band is opening for a famous one?
7. What bands have you been digging the most lately?
8. If you could invite a band to your birthday party, who would it be?
9. What's one band member you want to meet one day?
10. Have you got any favorite bangers (powerfully energetic pieces of music, especially dance music)?
11. What tunes drive you? Which tune hits you in the feels? What song gives you goose bumps? What do you think makes songs catchy?

## **10. Read the interview**

### **Science Influenced Music**

What is better way to generate some buzz than to develop an

elaborate back story? That's what Starset front man and vocalist Dustin Bates did. In 2013 Bates developed a story about the Starset Society and the band's role to deliver the Society's message – to bring awareness of science and tech, and how it's changing the world.

The band's music and its shows are as elaborate as its fictional story. Starset has released two official albums and is growing a multimedia empire that includes a YouTube channel with more than a billion hits, and a graphic novel created with Marvel Comics.

The band is heavily influenced by science. The albums are loaded with astronomical and scientific themes and language, and some of the videos reinforce those themes.

In this interview Bates chats about the band's elaborate fictional back story and his passion for music and science.

I.: When did you realize that was the direction you wanted to go musically?

D.B.: The style became apparent eventually. With every change in the narrative, there will be a changing sound. Technology plays an important role. The interesting part of the project is that the mission statement of the Starset Society, our overarching group, is that we need to be aware as a population of the dichotomous effect of technology as we progress into the future. Tech is shifting society economically, politically, socially, philosophically. We're going to start losing jobs by the millions because of technology. Our goal is to raise awareness of the pros and cons of technology. Also by the way it's approached by those in power.

Even so, we are incredibly pro-technology as a band. In the studio, we're using as much new technology as possible. That's only going to get more obvious as we progress and work on future records.

I.: Your concerts aren't traditional concerts, are they? They're more of a visual, high-tech production. Why do you prefer that cinematic approach, and how does it complement the music?

D.B.: We call the shows demonstrations. We want them to be as immersive as possible. We love to make them an experience. We want to bring them into our world and forget about their world. I think it plays perfectly into the sound and the narrative. Everything we do borrows from cinema. We want it to be much more than a show. We have incredibly lofty goals. We want the experience to begin as soon as you walk in the door, at the latest. We use augmented reality now to bring the stage out over you, but in the future, we hope to use anything at our

disposal to add that extra dimension. The band wears space suits, the string players wear computer-controlled visors. There's a laser show, and it's very atmospheric. There's plenty of video content. I try to push the visual aspect of the demonstration further and, sonically, I try to think about what I can do to improve every aspect of the show. Kids are coming to Starset shows and getting scientific thinking. The science is sci-fi and hyperbolic at times, but I think it can inspire kids into real science and engineering – and I hope to.

I: Is your work with Marvel Comics continuing, and what's next with that collaboration?

D.B.: I'm writing the second novel and am pretty excited about the plan for the third book. Also I'm actually wrapping up a solo project that's electronic, and I'm going to be self-releasing that. It's called MNQN. As for Starset... I've been ruminating about the overarching goals. I will be working on it, but I hesitate to say when.  
([www.hypebot.com](http://www.hypebot.com); [www.ohio.edu](http://www.ohio.edu))

### **11. Fill in the preposition**

1. The albums are loaded ..... astronomical and scientific themes. 2. Bates chats about the band's elaborate fictional back story and his passion .... music and science. 3. We're going to start losing jobs... the millions because of technology. 4. Inspire your co-workers... the workshop. 5. We want the experience to begin as soon as you walk in the door, ... **the latest**. 6. We hope to use anything ... our disposal to add that extra dimension. 7. The science is sci-fi and hyperbolic ... times. 8. I'm actually wrapping... a solo project. 9. I will be working ... a project. 10. I think it can inspire kids ... real science. 11. Everything we do borrows ... cinema.

### **12. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form (more than one is sometimes possible)**

1. The narrator confesses that he .... (ruminate) on a life-shaping experience for decades. 2. When it's cold, my car ... (hesitate). 3. If I .... (collaborate) with any other client, it would have gone the other way. 4. He .... (hesitate) at the beginning of his interview, but he was confident afterwards. 5. The rules ....(elaborate) before he came to work here. 6. He takes deep dives into questions and topics that he ....(ruminate) for years. 7. If your Internet connection isn't fast enough, video clips will

keep ..... (hesitate) 8. He .... (ruminate) on the marketing strategy for his new album for some time. 9. Your car .... (hesitate), when you accelerate. 10. The Internet .... (buzz) about their love affair. 11. At the moment the band .....(wrap up) the recording for their fourth album. 12. I just built my first computer, but every time I hit the power button it .... (hesitate). 13. (Ruminate)..... means that you spend a lot of time dwelling on a particular subject. 14. For a long time I .... (hesitate) to write a song about my feelings. 15. The hall .... (buzz) with excitement as the audience waited for the show to start. 16. Normally, I .... (hesitate) to reach out because of fear of being rejected, but I was in a state where the worst had already happened. 17. It appears that the band finally ....(wrap up) their latest song. 18. Ten years ago, I .... (not hesitate) to put them on my playlist. Today, the band is not heavy enough. 19. Everything you wanted to know about celebrity's life, but.... (hesitate) to ask. 20. 21. If we.... (not elaborate) the plan, the situation would have become more complicated. 22. I'm hard wired to the Internet, but my computer is running so slow and .... (hesitate) a lot. 23. He is an English song writer who .... (collaborate) extensively in the USA. 24. He went back to the computer, .... (hesitate) before opening the next message. 25. I ..... (hesitate) whether to buy a Mac or a PC. 26. Celtic .... (wrap up) the league if every player had had Scott Brown's attitude. 27. My computer started .... (hesitate) every few seconds. It freezes, then starts the cycle again.

**13. Find in the above exercise synonyms to the following words and phrases**

1. a sense of excitement; rumors;
2. the events which take place before, and which help to bring about;
3. an artificial environment created through the combination of real-world and computer-generated data;
4. providing information or stimulation for a number of senses, not only sight and sound;
5. to add to, make complete;
6. highly sophisticated, often electronic, techniques used in manufacturing and other processes;
7. no later than the time specified;
8. to meditate or ponder (upon);
9. be uncertain;

10. to settle the final details of;
11. the act of working with another or others on a joint project;
12. elevated, eminent, or superior;
13. readily seen or understood, evident, obvious;
14. planned or executed with care and exactness, detailed;
15. filled, charged, weighted.

**14. Paraphrase the words in the brackets using words and phrases from previous exercises**

1. Despite the shaky last two seasons, the two-part finale managed .... (end) things pretty nicely for our six favorite friends. 2. Their investigation isn't going .... (end) soon. 3. The first half of the season three ... (ended) on May15. 4. 'Game of Thrones' cast gathers for ... (end of production) party. 5. What is Brexit? Government sets out .... (detailed) plan. 6. We have carried out a more .... (detailed) analysis. 7. Thank you for the .... (detailed) answer. 8. When you respond, first answer directly, then ... (give details). 9. Please give a/n .... (detailed) answer. 10. He was unable to respond to the .... (complex) questions that I asked. 11. Video files ... (slow down). 12. My computer .... (runs slow) for some seconds, what can I do to fix it? 13. It would be fatal to .... (be indecisive). 14. He seemed .... (to doubt) over something, but finally determined to say it. 15. He had ... (grand) ideas about the upcoming project. 16. The songs in the album ... (add to) each other. 17. People at the ticket counter .... (were undecided about) over the ticket price. 18. If you have a .... (grand) idea for a new feature, or a better way of doing something, please drop us a note. 19. Be strong in body, clean in mind, ... (grand) in ideas. 20. Dream ... (grand) dreams, and as you dream, so you shall become.

**15. Fill in the gaps with a word or phrase from previous exercises that suit best**

1. Do not .... to email us with any other questions or issues you might have. 2. How much does engine ... during acceleration? 3. How to remove .... when speaking to someone who speaks better English? 4. I've been having some problems with my pc .... when I'm clicking on things in a game. 5. Our personalities are different but ... each other well. 6. Critics ... about a few topics, including commercial rock that may have hit rock bottom in 2018. The reason why it's so stilted is

because bands are playing copies of copies. 7. I found myself ... on a particular song. 8. It's .... from the start that if you're not ready to fight this album, you're going to be overcome by its grandness. 9. So I ... and decided to think it over. 10. Your ... ideas demand attention and deserve support. 11. When I ... over the price, the salesman came up with a special offer. 12. Give up blaming, complaining and excuse making, keep taking action in the direction of your goals – however mundane or ... they may be. 13. This is hands down the best and the most .... answer that I've ever heard. 14.

**16. What have you never done?**

Start with *Never have I ...*

1. been to a Starset show; 2. sung Starset songs in karaoke; 3. been to my favorite band's hometown; 4. got a tattoo; 5. got a piercing; 6. dyed my hair; 7. recorded an album; 8. given an interview; 9. worn braces; 10. been camping; 11. swam in the ocean; 12. been skydiving; 13. had stitches; 14. been stung by a bee; 15. cut my own hair; 16. been on TV; 17. got into a fight; 18. wrecked a car; 19. egged someone's house; 20. pulled a fire alarm; 21. TP'd (trespassed) someone's property; 22. drag raced; 23. graffitied something; 24. been kicked out of class; 25. played hopscotch; 26. set two friends up on a date; 26. Won an award.

**Going to the Movies**

**1. Match the word/phrase with the definition**

1. teaser	a preliminary advertisement in a campaign that attracts attention by making people curious to know what product is being advertised
2. remake	
3. sequel	
4. trailer	
5. thriller	a novel, play, film, that continues a previously related story
6. cast	
7. horror film	
8. historical drama	a comedy series involving the same characters in various day-to-day situations which are developed as separate stories for each episode
9. dystopian film	
10. drama	a film based on the life of a famous person, esp. one

11. rom-com	giving a popular treatment
12. spin-off	
13. biopic	a film about an imaginary place where everything is as bad as it can be
14. sci-fi	
15. sit-com	
16. prequel	a film about an earlier stage of a story or a character's life, released because the later part of it has already been successful
17. bit part (bit)	a genre that makes imaginative use of scientific knowledge
	a film, or television series derived from a similar successful book, film, or television series
	a very small acting role with few lines to speak
	a film or television comedy based around the romantic relationships of the characters
	something that is made again, esp. a new version of an old film
	a film having a frightening subject, esp. a supernatural one
	a film depicting crime, mystery, or espionage in an atmosphere of excitement and suspense
	sequence of events that is highly emotional, tragic, or turbulent
	a film based on or inspired by history

	<p>the actors in a film</p> <p>a series of short extracts from a film, used to advertise it in a cinema or on television</p>
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**2. Fill the gaps with the words or phrases from the previous exercise**

1. View the latest movie .... for many current and upcoming releases. Many .... are available in high-quality HD. 2. Conceived as a direct ... the film is due to pick up at the stunning finish of its predecessor. 3. 'Friends' is an American television .... which aired for ten seasons. 4. Matt, 48, filmed a short-lived .... sitcom Joey after 'Friends' ended. 5. 'Friends' .....: where are they now? 6. A .... usually provides a victory of love against all odds. In a .... protagonists are put in comic situations. 7. 'Nineteen Eighty-Four' is a British ..... sci-fi film written and directed by M.Radford. 8. The best ..... offer new filmmakers their chance to deliver a unique vision just as audience discover new appreciations on classic stories. 9. Dramatic effect, suspense, and fear are elements of a ..... and ..... film. 10. A future time setting and advanced technologies are elements of .....

**3. Learn words that collocate with *film (movie)***

1. Films rated X are intended only for viewing by adults, people over the age of 18 or 21. People must be at least 17 to purchase tickets for R-rated movies. 2. 'Rocky' was shot on a budget of \$1 mln and grossed \$225 mln worldwide. 3. There is an exciting film on at the multiplex. 4. You will be blown away by the films coming out next year. 5. There are numerous films set to be released next year. 6. The next year is going to be a good year for movie theatre dates with your friends. 7. This is the official theatrical release schedule for all upcoming films. 8. There's nothing more fun than family movie night at the theatre. 9. It's a low-budget killer shark movie. 10. Here's a list of some of the most intriguing space movies to look out for. 11. There are nearly 40,000 movie screens in the US. 12. They show a carefully curated selection of midnight movies and family matinees. 13. Audience response to the film was below expectations. 14. The film took a great opening at the box

office. Audience accepted it with open arms. 15. This sequel, which is practically a remake, lacks the zip of the original. The cast is good, but the film is average. 16. In Britain, a building where films are shown is called a cinema. In the USA, it is called a movie theater. 17. Alfonso Cuarón's new film is thrilling, engrossing, moving. 18. The latest Hollywood adaptation – Robin Hood, out in theatres today – could be the worst of them all. The film, starring the Welsh heartthrob, is being panned by critics. 19. A movie, starring Adam Sandler, got a four-minute standing ovation at the Cannes Film Festival. 20. Massive movie sequels set to hit the theatres next year.

#### **4. Paraphrase the words in the brackets using words and phrases from previous exercises**

1. Here's our (pick) of the best Netflix movies. 2. His latest film (comes out) on Netflix next week. 3. 'The After Party' (was released) on August 24. 4. The Venom movie based on the popular Spider-Man spinoff character (has hit) theatres. 5. Movies that (have made) \$1 billion worldwide. 6. This is a film in which every scene (is a well-worn movie cliché). 6. Scarlett Johansson (criticised) for accepting the role. 7. Thy (made) a pair of mediocre films for Columbia, then went to England. 8. The Ryan Gosling's film (is coming) to theatres this weekend. 9. It was the year of the (mediocre) films. 9. These movies (are mind-blowing). 10. Ten thought-provoking and (jaw-dropping) movies. 11. Audience (reaction) to the critically acclaimed horror film was unexpected. 12. A movie (filled with twists, turns and thrills) attracts audience. 13. The film (got thumbs-ups) from audience. 14. It is a (microbudget) film. 15. It was an (emotional) movie that had audience in tears. 16. Horror films (are targeted at) males. 17. This (gorgeous) movie works equally well for adults and for the children. 18. Find movies (coming soon) to theatres near you. 19. The film (became a huge box office hit). 20. Plan your future (cinema trips) online!

#### **5. Fill in the gaps with *should, can, must, have to* (more than one is sometimes possible)**

1. What movies every man/woman ..... see?
2. How .... I purchase movie tix online?
3. .... print online movie tix?

4. .... I show an e-ticket on my smartphone?
5. How .... I purchase a gift card?
6. Children .... be accompanied and supervised by a parent
7. You .... print your ticket on A4/Letter sized paper.
8. You ... retrieve your booking on the mobile app.
9. ... I pick/reserve my seats?
10. I'm running late, ... I still get in for a screening?
11. .... I take bulky items into the theatre?

**6. Fill in the gaps with words and phrases *hit, hit the theatres, hit the market, hit the road, hit the rum, hit (me) right in the feels, hit the charts, hit the gym, hit store shelves, hit a bad patch, hit the books, hit the showers, hit me up on messenger, hit the pockets* (sometimes you will have to change the form of the verb)**

1. The band's song .... last week.
2. His lyrics seriously....
3. .... Jack, and don't you come back no more!
4. Massive movie sequels set to .... next year.
5. I have two exams next week, I have to ...
6. The latest most expensive brand....
7. Vodka will not .... you any harder than whiskey, rum, etc.
8. What movie scene always ....?
9. Their relationship .... and they called it quits some time after.
10. A robber has been jailed after he stole a man's wallet and ... him with a bottle.
11. I don't get emotional but this movie ....
12. They go to the beach when they should be .... and then they wonder why they get bad grades.
13. My father .... and had to sell a house.
14. That moment, I had silence in my mind and then suddenly, memories .... me.
15. Holiday travel: here's what to expect when you.....
16. Google has been .... with a record-breaking fine.
17. The movie ... me hard.
18. 'Diet water' could soon ....
19. I now find if I .... shift and delete buttons the delete button works normally.
20. New Year's partygoers are being warned to take caution, as thousands of fake drinks ...
21. The team ... after vigorous practice.
22. He was .... by a car.
23. Jennifer Lawrence .... and kicked off her shoes during live TV interview.
24. Many of the cast are famous film actors who .... but turned out fine.
25. I have to..... the books.
26. I ... my elbow on the corner of the table.
27. If you are going to live in victory, you have to learn to .... the delete button and silence the negative thoughts.
28. Here are 15 ways to get rid of stubborn fat without ...
29. All group members in or near Salt Lake City .... , got an idea for video.
30. Who else loves that earthy smell when rain ... the ground?
31. Hate it when the stress of

going back to work ... you on Sunday night. 32. She is a single mom who ..., and when her son mentioned they didn't have food at home, I packaged up some dinners. 33. Covington Catholic student's family ... the Washington Post with \$250 million lawsuit. 34. I want to sing along to "Judas Priest" but I can't ... any of the notes. 35. That awkward moment when you realize you're walking in the wrong direction, so you ... pretending you forgot something. 36. I want to sit on a beach, let the sun ... my face and forget about absolutely everything. 37. Mike Meyers and Dana Carvey ... the 2019 Oscars to introduce "Bohemian Rhapsody."

**7. Here are the best movies of all time, ranked by movie experts and film fans. Make up your own list**

1. The Godfather (crime film)
  2. The Shawshank Redemption (drama film)
  3. Pulp Fiction (crime film)
  4. Star Wars (epic space opera film)
  5. The Dark Night (a superhero film)
  6. GoodFellas (crime film)
  7. The Godfather Part 2 (epic crime film)
  8. Schindler's List (epic historical period drama)
  9. Star Wars: Episode 5 – The Empire Strikes Back (epic space opera film)
  10. The Matrix (science fiction action film)
  11. Fight Club (film based on the novel of the same name)
  12. Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark (adventure film)
  13. Saving Private Ryan (epic drama war film)
  14. Back to the Future (comic science fiction film)
  15. The Silence of the Lambs (thriller film)
  16. Gladiator (epic historical drama)
  17. The Lord of the Rings – The Return of the King (epic fantasy drama)
  18. The Lord of the Rings – The Fellowship of the Ring (epic fantasy film)
  19. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest (drama film)
  20. Casablanca (romantic drama film)
- (<http://m.ranker.com>)

### **8. Can you guess the movie by the quote?**

I'm the king of the world.

You jump, I jump.

May the force be with you.

I made my family disappear.

I need your clothes, boots, and your motorcycle.

Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn.

After all, tomorrow is another day!

Mama always said life was like a box of chocolates/ you never know what you're gonna get

Run, Forest, run!

### **9. Give a movie quote that will give away the movie without saying the title**

#### **10. Make up a dialog, using phrases**

When is the release date / premiere of....?

Who is in it?

When is the next show?

When does the next movie start?

Which cinema is it showing at?

Does the theatre sell regular theatre food, like burgers, hot dogs, and other snacks?

Are tickets fairly priced?

What are matinee hours?

Does the theatre offer matinee prices?

May I have 2 tickets for the 7 o'clock show of...?

We would like to sit in row G, seats 12 to 14

How much will that be?

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