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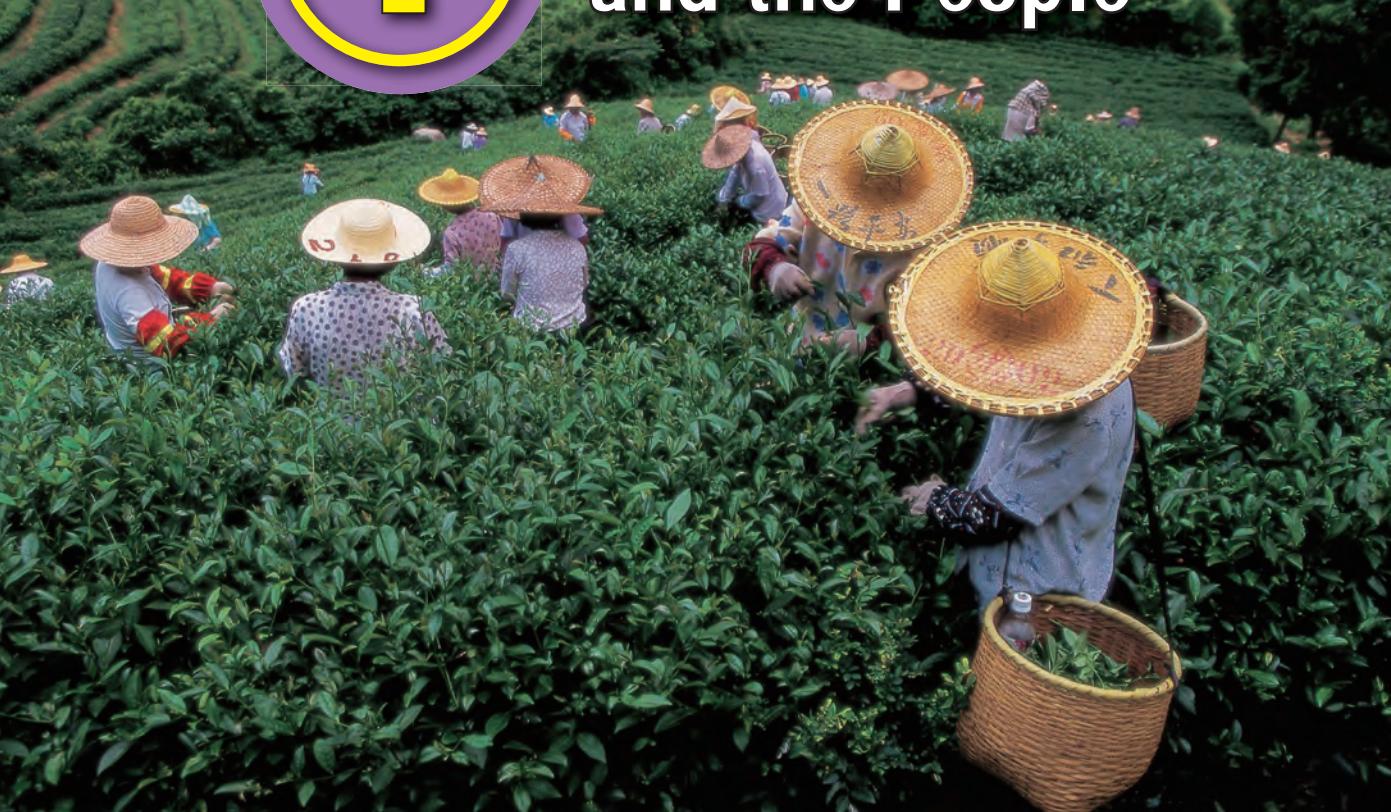
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# UNIT

# 1

# The Land and the People



## HIGHLIGHTS

### TOPIC AREAS

Geography and land features

Countries and cities

A diversity of peoples

### FUNCTIONS

Talking about land features and the people

Expressing or asking for opinions

Making suggestions

### STRUCTURES

Noun clause (4)

Summaries

*that*-clauses

*wh*-clauses

*who, what, where, when, why*

*yes-no*-clauses

*whether, if, whether... or not, if... or not*

### CHAT ROOM

Dialogue 1 Canada Q&A

Dialogue 2 Washington and Chicago

### PROGRAMME

Item 1 How much do you know about Australia?

Item 2 New Zealand — A beautiful and unspoilt country

**1**

# Getting Started

**1**

 Listen and practise.

**A:** What's the area of Britain in square kilometres?

**B:** Britain covers an area of about 244 thousand square km.

**A:** Do you know what the population of Britain is?

**B:** Britain has a population of about 58 million.

Country	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Population (2016)
China		about 9.6 million about 1.4 billion
Canada		about 10 million about 35 million
Australia		about 7.6 million about 23 million
New Zealand		about 268 thousand only about 4.7 million

**2**

 Listen and say.

**(1)**

Politically,  
Geographically,  
Culturally,

the country is  
divided into

fifty states.  
ten provinces and two territories.  
three sections.

**(2)**

The country is rich in natural resources. It has

mineral deposits.  
iron ore.  
petroleum.

- (3) There are forests  
oil wells  
streams here and lumbering  
petroleum  
fishing is important.

- (4) What kind of climate do you have? Is it  
mild?  
warm and dry?  
cold and humid?

- (5) This part of the country is very  
mountainous.  
hilly.  
flat.

3

Begin each of the following questions with the words in brackets.

**Example:** Will you go to school tonight? (do you think)  
→ Do you think you'll go to school tonight?

(1) Is it going to rain tomorrow? (do you think)

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(2) Will I enjoy the movie? (do you believe)

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(3) Was Mr Cooper tired because he worked hard all day? (do you suppose)

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(4) Are you mistaken about that? (don't you think)

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(5) Is Mr Cooper angry with the boy? (don't you feel)

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(6) Does Mr Cooper prefer warm weather? (don't you suppose)

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4

 Listen and learn.

It is true that

he went to Brazil.  
 they are going to Rome.  
 the manufacturing of cars is a major industry.  
 he refused.

5

 Listen and practise.
**A:** I don't know what to wear tonight — have you got any suggestions?**B:** My suggestion is that you should wear

a light jacket.  
 something warm.  
 your grey suit.

6

 Listen and practise.
(1)    **A:** Will you guess how old I am?**B:** I'd say you're

about  
 close to  
 almost

twenty-three. Am I right?

(2)    **A:** Do you really want to know what I think?**B:** Of course I want to know what your

opinion  
 judgment  
 recommendation

is.

(3)    **A:** Where were you the night of August the fourteenth?**B:** I really don't remember where I was

then.  
 on that date.  
 at that time.

7

Turn the following questions into sentences beginning with *I wonder if*.

**What Rosie wants to know**

(1) Could you help me on with my overcoat?

**What Rosie says**

I wonder if you could help me on  
with my overcoat.

(2) Could I trouble you with a few questions?

(3) Could you watch my luggage for a minute?

(4) Could you give us some idea about your  
school?

(5) Could I use your dictionary?

8

Answer the following questions using the expression *I don't know whether... or not* as shown in the example.

**Example:** Does John enjoy school?

→ I don't know whether John enjoys school or not.

(1) Will it rain tomorrow?

(2) Are you going to see Mr Cooper on Sunday?

(3) Is she mistaken about that?

(4) Does John always eat healthy food?

(5) Has she had lunch yet?

**Dialogue 1****Canada Q&A**

**Interviewer:** Is Canada the largest country in the world?

**Barry:** No, it is the second-largest country by territory.

**Interviewer:** Why is Canada called Canada? What is the origin of the name Canada?

**Barry:** The name is derived from the aboriginal word for village, *Kanata*.

**Interviewer:** What is the population of Canada?

**Barry:** Canada has a population of about 35 million. The majority of the population is concentrated in the southern part, where the climate is more favourable.

**Interviewer:** How many provinces make up Canada?

**Barry:** Canada is a federation of ten provinces and three territories.

**Interviewer:** What is the capital of Canada?

**Barry:** The country's capital is Ottawa, while the largest city is Toronto followed by Montreal and Vancouver.

**Interviewer:** What kind of climate does Canada have?

**Barry:** The climate ranges from temperate and continental to arctic.

**Interviewer:** Is Canada an English-speaking country?

**Barry:** Canada is a bilingual country. English is the mother tongue of about 60% of the population, and French of over 23%. About 18% of the nationals are fluent in both languages.

**Interviewer:** I've learned a lot from you. Thank you very much.

**Dialogue 2****Beijing and Chicago**

**A:** I live in Beijing. Where do you live?

**B:** I'm now living in Chicago. I used to live in Sydney. Beijing is the capital of China, isn't it?

**A:** Yes, Beijing is the capital. It's a historic city noted for its many famous buildings. Is Chicago a historic city?

**B:** Chicago is also a historic city, but it's mainly an industrial centre. Beijing isn't an industrial centre, is it?

**A:** No, it isn't, but it is a large metropolitan area. Is Chicago as large as Beijing?

**B:** I don't think so. Beijing is much larger than Chicago by both area and population.

**A:** How many years have you lived in Chicago?

**B:** Five years. I've lived in Chicago ever since I came to the United States from Australia. Have you lived in Beijing all your life?

**A:** Yes, I have. I'm a native of the city.

**Item 1*****How much do you know about Australia?*****1 Do a general knowledge quiz about Australia.**

- (1) Australia is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. the smallest island and the largest continent  
 B. the largest island and the smallest continent  
 C. the largest island and the largest continent  
 D. the smallest island and the smallest continent
- (2) It is 32 times greater than \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Great Britain      B. Brazil      C. Russia      D. Canada
- (3) The population of Australia (2012) is about \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. 314.8 million      B. 4.4 million      C. 35 million      D. 22.8 million
- (4) Australia has \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. 6 states and 6 major mainland territories  
 B. 2 states and 6 territories  
 C. 6 states and 2 major mainland territories  
 D. 2 states and 2 territories
- (5) Which of these can you NOT find in Australia? \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Harbour Bridge.      B. Opera House.  
 C. Glaciers.      D. The Great Barrier Reef.
- (6) Thousands of years ago the first Australians sailed here from \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Europe      B. Americas      C. Africa      D. the Indonesian island of Java

**2 Listen to the text and check your answers.****3 Listen again and write the correct numbers into the blanks.**

- (1) Australia, with an area of \_\_\_\_\_ million sq km, is the largest island and the smallest continent on Earth. It stretches some \_\_\_\_\_ km from its most northern to its most southern point, and about \_\_\_\_\_ km from east to west.
- (2) In area, Australia is the sixth largest nation after Russia, Canada, China, the United States of America and Brazil. It's \_\_\_\_\_ times greater than the UK.
- (3) In South Australia the Adelaide Festival, held in the capital every \_\_\_\_\_ years, is an international cultural event.
- (4) Western Australia is about the size of Western Europe. About \_\_\_\_\_ of the state's population live in its capital, Perth.
- (5) The Northern Territory has more than \_\_\_\_\_ the land area of France but only a population of about \_\_\_\_\_.

4

Read the text and fill in the chart.



Australia, with an area of about 7.6 million sq km, is the largest island and the smallest continent on Earth. It stretches some 3,700 km from its most northern to its most southern point, and about 4,000 km from east to west.

In area, Australia is the sixth largest nation after Russia, Canada, China, the United States of America and Brazil. It's 32 times greater than the UK.

Australia has six states and two major mainland territories.

European settlement began in New South Wales in 1788, at Sydney, the nation's largest city. Sydney's Harbour Bridge and Opera House are national icons.

Victoria is a very small state. Its capital, Melbourne, is famous for the Melbourne Cup, Australia's premier horse race.

Queensland stretches from the tropical rain forests into the temperate zone. Its northeastern coastline is fringed by the Great Barrier Reef. Brisbane, the capital of Queensland, is built around the beautiful Brisbane River.

In South Australia the Adelaide Festival, held in the capital every two years, is an international cultural event.

Western Australia is about the size of Western Europe. About three-quarters of the state's population live in its capital, Perth.

Separated from the mainland by Bass Strait, Tasmania is the smallest Australian state. Hobart is the capital.

The Northern Territory has more than twice the land area of France but only a population of about 233,000. Darwin is the capital.

The Australia Capital Territory was established within New South Wales as the site for the national capital, Canberra. It is home to the Federal Parliament, the National Library, the National Gallery of Australia, the National Museum of Australia, the High Court and the Australian War Memorial.



With a population of just over 22.8 million, Australia has a diversity of peoples and cultures. All Australians are in some way migrants. Thousands of years ago the first Australians sailed here from the Indonesian island of Java. The first European settlers only arrived in 1788. Today about 24 per cent of the population were born in another country, while a further 19 per cent have at least one parent who was born overseas. People from more than 140 countries have become Australian citizens.

State or territory	Capital	Geographical features	Tourist attractions or events
New South Wales	Sydney		
Victoria			
Queensland			
South Australia			
Western Australia			
Tasmania			
Northern Territory			
Australia Capital Territory			

## 5

**Discussion.**

Why do we say Australia has a diverse population?

**Item 2****New Zealand — A beautiful and unspoilt country****1**  Listening comprehension.

- (1) New Zealand is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in the North Pacific      B. in the North Atlantic  
C. in the South Pacific      D. in the South Atlantic
- (2) New Zealand is 1,200 miles \_\_\_\_\_ of Australia.  
A. southeast      B. northeast      C. southwest      D. northwest
- (3) New Zealand is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. bigger than Great Britain but has a smaller population  
B. smaller than Great Britain but has a larger population  
C. the same size as Great Britain but has a larger population  
D. the same size as Great Britain but has a smaller population
- (4) New Zealand has \_\_\_\_\_ official language(s).  
A. one      B. two      C. many      D. five
- (5) Which is not true about New Zealand? \_\_\_\_\_  
A. In the north there are beaches and a desert.  
B. In the south there are glaciers and fjords.  
C. In the north the scenery is like in Norway.  
D. In the south there are snow-covered mountains.
- (6) Which is true about New Zealand? \_\_\_\_\_  
A. Most people live on North Island, and that's where the two biggest cities are, Christchurch and Queenstown.  
B. Most people live on North Island, and that's where the two biggest cities are, Wellington and Auckland.  
C. Most people live on South Island, and that's where the two biggest cities are, Wellington and Auckland.  
D. Most people live on South Island, and that's where the two biggest cities are, Christchurch and Queenstown.

- 2 Read the text and fill in the chart about New Zealand.



New Zealand is in the south Pacific, about 1,200 miles southeast of Australia. It's not a very big country, about the same size as Great Britain or Japan,

but it has a much smaller population, only 4.4 million. There are two official languages, English and Maori.

I suppose when most people think of New Zealand, they think of New Zealand lamb or butter and it's true that a lot of the country is farmland. There are a lot of sheep and cows! But there's a lot more to it than that. There are people who say that it's the most beautiful, unspoilt country in the world. I don't know about that, but it's certainly an amazing place to visit. There are so many different types of scenery and climates. We have almost everything. In the north there are fantastic beaches, mountains, volcanoes, and even a small area of desert, and the climate is pleasant and warm, usually around twenty-five degrees in the summer, while in the south of the country the temperatures are lower, especially in winter, and the scenery is almost like in Norway or Canada. There are glaciers, fjords, and lots of snow-covered mountains where you can go skiing. There are so many different things to see and do.

New Zealand is divided into two main islands, North Island and South Island. Most people live on North Island, and that's where the two biggest cities are, Wellington and Auckland. Wellington, the capital city, is a very nice place with a beautiful harbour. Auckland is actually the biggest city in terms of a population of over 1.3 million. It is called "the city of sails" because of all the sailing boats there.

Both North Island and South Island are very mountainous. There are several volcanoes on North Island, and South Island is really divided into two halves by a big range of mountains that runs from north to south, called the Southern Alps. They're very, very beautiful, with lots of lakes and fjords in the south. That's the area where most people go skiing, or do other adventure sport such as climbing or bungee jumping.



Wellington



Auckland

About New Zealand	
Location	
Land area	
Population	
Languages	

3

**Discussion.**

In the north of the country the climate is pleasant and warm. In the south the temperatures are low. It is just opposite to the case of China. Why?

**Box 1**

Noun clause as subject	That cats can't swim is true.
Noun clause as object	I informed her that I was unwell.
Noun clause as predicative	The problem is that we have no money.

**Box 2**

Is it true that she has returned?
It's not certain (that) she'll come.
It's a pity you don't know Russian.

**Box 3**

Do you know how snails breathe?
That's why I left.
It depends on how you look at it.

**Box 4**

I wonder whether (if) it will be big enough.
He doesn't know if (whether) there is any left.
She wanted to know whether (if) I could speak any foreign languages.

**Box 5**

She can't remember if she's read that book or not.
I'm not interested in whether you like me or not.
I'm not sure whether we should take a bus or whether we should walk.



The biggest city in China by population is Shanghai. The city is certainly crowded! Over 24 million people live here. And what's more, millions more people come here to visit or work every day.

The Shanghai Library is the second largest library in China after the National Library in Beijing. The 24-storeyed building is 106 metres tall. It is the second tallest library in the world, as well as one of the largest. The building has a tower that looks like a giant lighthouse.

**1****Oral Presentation**

Play the role of a tour guide from Australia and tell a group of tourists about the country in brief. Try to describe its geographical features, way of life and environment.

**2****Pair Work**

Work in pairs, A and B. A tells B about North Island of New Zealand, including the two biggest cities, Wellington and Auckland. B tells A about South Island, including the Southern Alps, lakes and fjords.

**3****Topic Discussion**

Try to make a comparison between Australia and China.

**4****Internet Surfing**

Try to find out:

- (1) Which is the largest country in the world, Russia or Canada?
- (2) Which is the biggest city in the world, Tokyo or Mexico City?
- (3) Which is a more popular country with foreign visitors in the world, France or the USA?

Maoritanga means “Maori culture,” and embraces the language, customs and traditions.

1. Maori people today have adopted many aspects of Western life, while sustaining their own unique culture.

2. Fairy tales: The Maori creation story tells of Ranginui, the sky father, and Papatuanuku, the earth mother, who were the parents of all the gods. Their son Tane, creator of the bush and all its living creatures, also created the first woman from the earth, and from them all people are descended.

3. There are many legends about Maui. Stories of his cleverness, magic and trickery explain elements of natural history such as the discovery of fire. Children are taught how Maui outwitted his brothers to join them on a fishing trip, catching the mighty fish that became the North Island of New Zealand.

4. The descent of Maori is traced from the gods, to their ancestors from Hawaiki who sailed canoes across the Pacific Ocean and then down to their present tribal groupings in Aotearoa. Tribal lands and kinship links are still key factors that bind Maori society.

5. The best known internationally of all Maori traditions is the haka, a dance performed to daunt the enemy and to prepare warriors for battle.



### 1 A game.

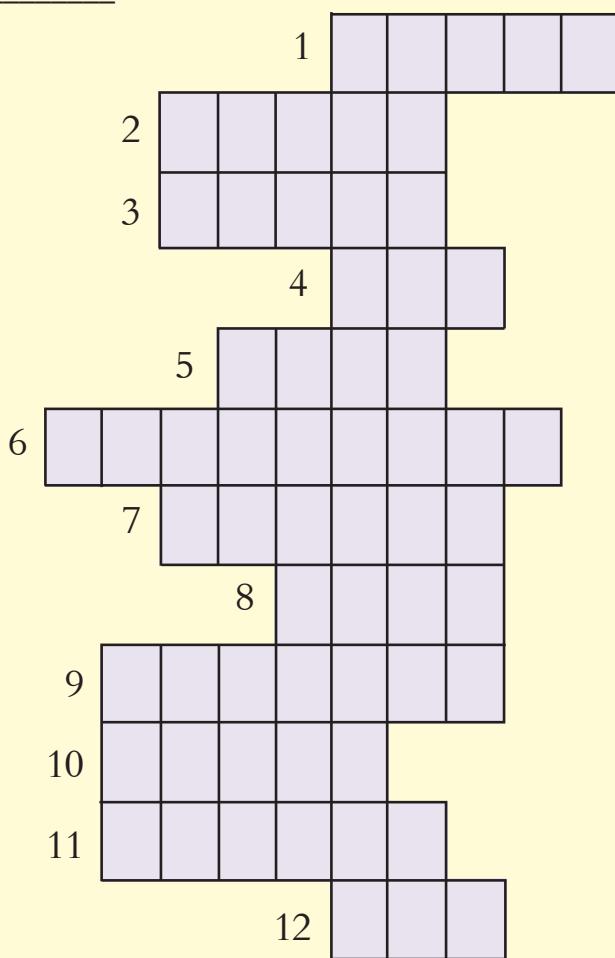
Decide which word in the brackets completes each sentence. Then put each correct word into the proper place in the puzzle to discover the “down” word hidden in the puzzle.

#### Across:

- (1) I haven't \_\_\_\_\_ been here. (never / often)
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ I arrived in Britain, I haven't felt homesick. (since / while)
- (3) I think I've been there \_\_\_\_\_. (never / twice)
- (4) We first met six years \_\_\_\_\_. (now / ago)

- (5) I've \_\_\_\_\_ realized what you said. (just / ever)
- (6) I \_\_\_\_\_ used to come here and sit by the river.  
(yesterday / sometimes)
- (7) I promise to meet you \_\_\_\_\_ the end of the day. (before / during)
- (8) I \_\_\_\_\_ saw a play by Shakespeare. (ever / once)
- (9) By the age of twenty he had \_\_\_\_\_ finished university.  
(usually / already)
- (10) I'm afraid I'll be busy \_\_\_\_\_ six o'clock. (since / until)
- (11) I \_\_\_\_\_ see you these days. (weekly / rarely)
- (12) I'm sorry but I haven't had time to do it \_\_\_\_\_. (now / yet)

**Down:** \_\_\_\_\_



**2**  A poem.**Primer lesson**

Look out how you use proud words.  
When you let proud words go,  
It is not easy to call them back.  
They wear long boots, hard boots;  
They walk off proud;  
They can't hear you calling —  
Look out how you use proud words.

*Carl Sandburg*

# UNIT

# 2

# Science and Discoveries



## HIGHLIGHTS

### TOPIC AREAS

Science in the future  
Science in nature  
Organic farming  
Cloning

### FUNCTIONS

Talking about science and technology  
Discussing science in the future  
Expressing opinions

### STRUCTURES

Attributive clause (1)  
*which* as subject and object  
*who* as subject  
*whom* or *who* as object  
*whose* as possessive

### CHAT ROOM

Dialogue 1 Copying a file  
Dialogue 2 At an ATM

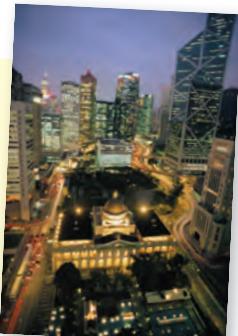
### PROGRAMME

Item 1 Organic farming  
Item 2 What exactly is cloning and do we need to worry about it?

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## Do you know?

Bicycles, mobile phones, cars, light bulbs, computers — all these gadgets and machines are the results of scientific discoveries. Houses, skyscrapers, bridges and rockets are based on science. Our knowledge of medicine, nature, light and sound comes from science. Scientists predict the weather, investigate how stars shine, find out why carrots are orange ...



2

## For or against?

- (1) There's no escape. They seem to be ringing everywhere these days. Nowhere is safe — restaurants, trains, pubs, even cinemas and theatres. People never turn them off, and listening to other people's conversations drives me mad.
- (2) A recent US survey found that managers often receive over 200 messages a day. Many office workers switch off their computers so they can get some work done.
- (3) Lots of people don't often need to use them. But imagine you're driving along in the middle of nowhere and your car breaks down. You can phone for help straight away, and save time, money, and worry.
- (4) Surfing the Net is becoming a major free-time activity for millions of people. The problem is 99% of what's on it is rubbish. Some people say it will replace books, newspapers, and magazines, but I don't think so.
- (5) All human knowledge is there. Want to know about French literature, the US Space Programme, the love life of frogs? Just log on and learn. It's like being in the world's biggest library, but with no librarians.
- (6) It's fantastic, and it's so convenient. I can switch on my computer, press a button, send a document, and seconds later someone can open it on the other side of the world. I never use snail mail anymore!

## 1

# Getting Started

3

## Listen and practise.

**A:** What's a dictionary?

**B:** A dictionary is a book which explains the words of a language.

a computer  
a paper mill  
a palm  
an ambulance

machine  
factory  
tree  
a vehicle

store and process information  
make paper  
have no branches  
carry people to a hospital

4

## Combine the pairs of sentences below using *which*.

**Example:** The film is interesting.

I saw the film yesterday. →

The film (which) I saw yesterday is interesting.

(1) The car broke down after five kilometres.

I hired the car. →

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(2) Last week I bought some books.

These are the books. →

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(3) Is the book a novel?

You were reading the book. →

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(4) Do you know the restaurant?

I mentioned the restaurant in my letter. →

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5

## Listen and say.

**A:** What's the country (which) you're going to visit?

**B:** The country I'm going to visit is Australia.

see  
know about  
study in  
work in

Canada  
New Zealand  
Britain  
the United States

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 Listen and learn.

- (1) Do you know the time at which he arrived?
- (2) Do you remember the occasion on which he wore the hat?
- (3) Is that the film in which the hero kills his boss?
- (4) The death of his son was an experience from which he never fully recovered.
- (5) The ladder which I was standing on began to slip.

7

 Listen and practise.

**A:** Do you know anything about Edgar Snow?

**B:** Oh, yes. He was the American journalist who wrote *Red Star Over China*.

Isaac Newton  
George Stephenson  
Charles Darwin

English physicist  
English engineer  
British naturalist

discover the force of gravity  
build the first public railway line in  
the world to use steam locomotives  
put forward the theory of evolution  
resulted from natural selection

8

 Listen and transform the sentences.

**Example:** The man has left the country.

I gave the money to him. →

The man whom I gave the money to has left the country.

(1) The man told me to come back today.

I phoned the man. →

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(2) This is the boy.

Mr Lambert saved him yesterday. →

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(3) The women are all former employees.

You mentioned them. →

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(4) The girls are always complaining about working long hours.

He employs them. →

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 Listen and learn.

- (1) Is that the man whose house was burnt down last week?
- (2) Is there anyone here whose name is John Lambert?
- (3) I know somebody whose house is near yours.
- (4) The film is about a spy whose wife betrays him.

**Dialogue 1****Copying a file**

- Marc:** Pamela, can you show me how to back up a file onto this disk?
- Pamela:** No problem, which file do you want to copy?
- Marc:** This one, “English homework.”
- Pamela:** OK. Have you got the disk? Right, first of all you put it into the drive, here. That’s right. Now you can see that the icon has come up on the screen here.
- Marc:** Oh yeah.
- Pamela:** Now, with the mouse, you move the cursor across and click on the file, just once, and keep your finger down, now drag it over to the disk icon. OK, great. Now if you let go, it should copy. There you are.
- Marc:** Great, thanks.

**Dialogue 2****At an ATM**

- Tourist:** Oh, excuse me, is this machine out of order? I can’t get it to accept my card.
- Passer-by:** I don’t think so. Would you like me to help you?
- Tourist:** Thanks, that’s really kind of you.
- Passer-by:** OK, first of all, put your cash card in the slot, no, not that way, you need to put it in the other way round, with the black stripe facing downwards.
- Tourist:** Oh I see.
- Passer-by:** And now key in your PIN number, you know, your personal code. I promise you I’m not looking. And then press “Enter,” the green button. Fine, OK, now choose how much you want to withdraw with the buttons on the side, and now press “Enter” again, and here comes your cash.
- Tourist:** Thank you very much.
- Passer-by:** You’re welcome.

### **Item 1**

## *Organic farming*

- 1** Listen and tick out things which are not mentioned in the text.

- (1) Organic farming \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. uses no chemicals B. improves nature's health  
C. causes destruction of the ozone layer D. needs a lot of human labour

(2) Organic farmers \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. rotate crops B. adopt fertilizer  
C. put animal manure on the land D. use plant compost

(3) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are avoided in organic farming.  
A. Plant material B. Pesticides  
C. Fertilizers D. Chemicals

(4) Pesticides \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. kill bad insects or animals  
B. kill good animals and insects  
C. kill ladybugs that eat the bad insects  
D. steal growing space from the plants

(5) Organic food \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. costs more  
B. improves the health of the earth  
C. does the job of chemicals  
D. is better for plants, animals and the earth



- 2** Read the text and do the exercise.

The idea behind organic farming is to use no chemicals. Farmers must use natural means to make plants grow strong and protect them from insects. It is believed that without chemicals, these plants will make better food for humans. But the idea is bigger than that. Organic farming respects all plants and animals in the environment. This kind of farming should improve nature's health.





Fertilizers are chemicals that give plants strength. If a farmer grows the same plant over and over in the same place, the soil will lose its ability to feed the plant. The farmer must add fertilizer to help the soil. Organic farmers do not add fertilizer. They will rotate crops or use animal manure and plant compost to make the soil rich again. Compost is made from plant material that has broken down into soil. It has all the food a plant needs to grow.

Pesticides are also avoided. These are chemicals that kill pests like bad insects or animals. Organic farmers have other ways to deal with pests because pesticides kill good animals and insects that protect the plants. Foxes and snakes eat the mice. Some insects like ladybirds eat the bad insects. And of course there are weeds. These are the plants that farmers do not want because they steal growing space from the good plants. To stop weeds, organic farmers can scrape the soil several times. Eventually, the weeds will die.

Organic farming usually needs a lot of human labour to do the job of chemicals. This is one reason that organic food costs more. But when we think about the health of the earth, its plants, and its animals, perhaps it is worth it. In the end, a healthy planet means that we will be healthy, too.

Match the words with their meanings.

- (1) organic
- (2) insect
- (3) fertilizer
- (4) manure
- (5) compost
- (6) pesticide
- (7) pest
- (8) scrape

- a. a mixture of plant matter for making the soil richer
- b. a chemical substance put on the land
- c. a small creature
- d. waste matter from animals
- e. using only natural means
- f. a small bad animal or insect
- g. a chemical used to kill insects
- h. to remove sth from the surface

## 3

Answer the questions.

(1) What is the idea behind organic farming?

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(2) Do you believe plants make better food without chemicals?

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(3) Why do we say organic farming improves nature's health?

(4) Organic farmers do not use chemicals. What do they do to make the soil rich?

(5) Why are pesticides avoided in organic farming?

(6) How do organic farmers stop weeds?

#### **Presentation.**

Find something on the Internet about ecoagriculture. Talk about:

(1) What is ecoagriculture?

(2) How can ecoagriculture help feed the world and save wild biodiversity?

#### **Item 2**

#### ***What exactly is cloning and do we need to worry about it?***

Listen and choose the best answers.

(1) Plants were cloned \_\_\_\_.

- A. in ancient Egypt over 1,000 years ago
- B. in ancient Greece over 2,000 years ago
- C. in ancient Egypt over 2,000 years ago
- D. in ancient Greece over 1,000 years ago

(2) Dr Ian Wilmut and his colleagues worked at \_\_\_\_.

- |                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Princeton University | B. Harvard University   |
| C. King's College       | D. Edinburgh University |

(3) Many people were worried that \_\_\_\_.

- A. human organs are produced for transplant
- B. endangered animal species are preserved by cloning
- C. an evil dictator would produce hundreds of copies of himself
- D. headless frogs are engineered

(4) The truth is that \_\_\_\_.

- A. it's impossible for a copy of a human to be identical to himself
- B. it's not impossible for children to be identical to their copies
- C. it's possible for children to be identical to their parents
- D. it's possible for a copy of a human to be identical to himself

(5) The possible benefits of cloning include \_\_\_\_.

- A. reinventing some rich, elderly person
- B. bringing grieving relatives' loved ones back to life
- C. producing copies of an evil dictator
- D. producing human organs for transplant

2

Read the text and do the exercises.

Cloning is “making a copy of a plant or animal by taking a cell from it and developing it artificially.” There is nothing new about this — plants were cloned in ancient Greece over 2,000 years ago, and the first cloned frog appeared in 1968. But interest in cloning grew in 1997 when Dr Ian Wilmut and his colleagues from Edinburgh University announced the birth of the world’s first cloned sheep, Dolly. However, many people were worried: what if the same techniques were used for some rich, elderly person to reinvent himself; what if an evil dictator produced hundreds of copies of himself in order to take over the world; what if grieving relatives used cloning to bring their loved ones back to life?

The truth is that there is no chance that any copy of a human being would be identical either physically or mentally, any more than children are identical to their parents. The possible benefits of cloning, however, are numerous, including artificially producing human organs for transplant, and preserving endangered animal species. Biologists have already engineered headless frogs so it may be possible to clone headless humans in future. The organs could be used for transplant. But would we want to?



A. Match the words with their meanings.

- (1) artificial
- (2) dictator
- (3) grieve
- (4) identical
- (5) organ
- (6) transplant

- a. a part of the body
- b. to feel great sadness
- c. operation of moving an organ, piece of skin etc from one person's body into another
- d. made by people
- e. sb with complete power in a country
- f. exactly the same

B. Rewrite the following sentences beginning with *What if*.

(1) What will happen if aliens should invade the Earth?

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(2) What's to be done if the train's late?

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(3) What will be the result if not enough people want to come?

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3

Answer the questions.

(1) What is cloning?

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(2) Is cloning something new?

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(3) When did interest in cloning grow?

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(4) What were people worried about?

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(5) What are the possible benefits of cloning?

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4

Open a debate.

Should we clone humans?

**Box 1**

This is a book which tells us about space rocket technology.

A tractor is a machine which we use for pulling farm machinery.

**Box 2**

The house in which Lu Xun once lived is now the Lu Xun Museum.

The house which Lu Xun once lived in is now the Lu Xun Museum.

This is the magazine which you are looking for.

**Box 3**

This is the doctor who saved the boy's life.

An old friend of mine who served in the army came to see me yesterday.

**Box 4**

The woman whom they wanted to visit is a scientist.

Who is the student whom Professor Andrich praised at the seminar?

**Box 5**

I know a lady whose husband is a Nobel Prize winner.

Dr Bethune was a hero whose name is cherished by all Chinese.

Many modern machines can cause damage to our environment and our health. The damage includes acid rain, destruction of the ozone layer and the greenhouse effect, leading to climate changes and global warming. Science can help to find solutions. New filters and catalysts can reduce dangerous fumes from vehicle exhausts, power stations and factory waste pipes.

One very important area of science is recycling. Many materials and substances can be recycled — glass, paper, plastic, cans, scrap metals and rags. Scientists are working to improve the process. Products should be designed so that when they no longer work, they are easy to recycle. The recycling process itself is also being made more effective.

We use vast amounts of energy, especially to make electricity. Much of this energy comes from crude oil (petroleum), natural gas and coal. But these energy sources will not last for ever. They also cause huge amounts of pollution. Scientists are working to develop cleaner forms of energy, which will produce less pollution and will not run out. These include wind power, solar power, and hydroelectric and tidal power.

**1 Oral Presentation**

If you become a scientist, which science would you like to study? Why?

**2 An experiment of heat conduction.****What you need**

wooden ruler	metal spoon	plastic spatula
heatproof jug	frozen peas	some butter

**What you do**

Find a wooden ruler, a metal spoon and a plastic spatula, all of the same length. Fix a frozen pea to one end of each with butter. Put the other ends in a heatproof jug. Fill the jug with hot water. Heat is conducted from the water, up the objects, and to the butter. From which object does the pea slide the first? the second? the third? Which object is the best conductor?

**3 Topic Discussion**

How do animals such as birds or whales find their way across the world?

**4 Pair Work**

Put the following in the correct order, so that a scientist can adopt it as the scientific method in studying science. You may consult each other.

(1) Results

(2) Experiments

(3) Conclusions

(4) Theories

(5) Measurements

**5 Internet Surfing**

Find information about genes:

(1) What are genes? What's their role?

(2) How do we make use of DNA?

Have you ever heard of Silicon Valley? If not, don't look for it on a map because you may not find it there. Ask anyone who lives in California and they will direct you to a cluster of towns with Spanish names like Santa Clara and San Jose. These old towns are high-tech today.

Do you know what silicon is? Silicon is used to make computer chips, the tiny boards of transistors that are the brains of computers. If you think that this is a big business these days, you are right. Over one-third of what California sells to other countries is produced in this little valley.



### 1 A game.

A tennis champion is talking about his friend, Ted. Fill in the missing words and then put them in the proper places in the puzzle to discover who Ted is.

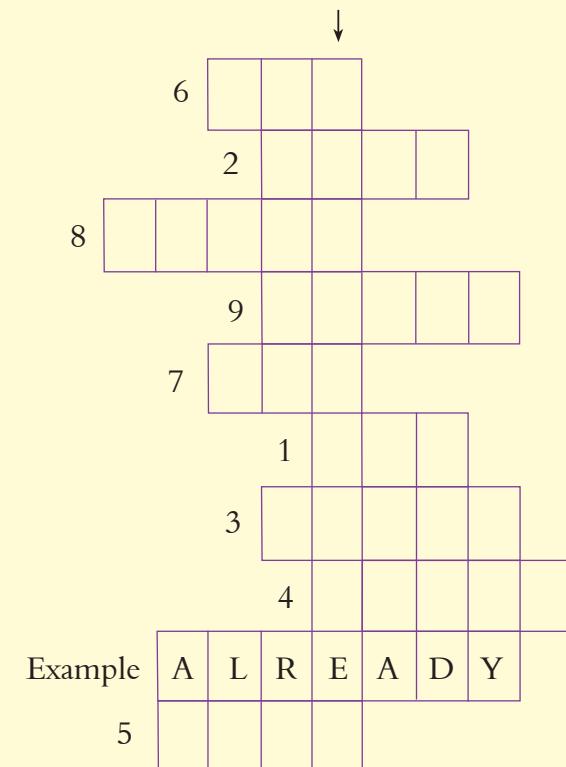
#### Across:

- (1) Ted and I first met about three years \_\_\_\_.
- (2) That was \_\_\_\_ we both lived in London.
- (3) We've been working together \_\_\_\_ that time.
- (4) I've \_\_\_\_ worked so closely with anyone else.
- (5) We haven't \_\_\_\_ had an argument.
- (6) And we certainly haven't got tired of each other \_\_\_\_.

**Example: In fact we've already had quite a lot of success.**

- (7) I hope we can continue our partnership \_\_\_\_ many years to come.
- (8) \_\_\_\_ we go on working together, I know things will go well.
- (9) I'm sure I \_\_\_\_ have a lot to learn from Ted.

Ted is \_\_\_\_\_.



2

## A rhyme.

**A trip to the sun**

A trip to the sun  
 Would not be much fun,  
 For you would grow old  
 On the way.  
 The sun's heat is white.  
 The sun sends a great light  
 To shine on our Earth  
 To make day.

The sun has no trees,  
 No cool gentle breeze,  
 No flowers, or streams,  
 Or green grass.  
 The sun has no frogs,  
 Or horses, — or dogs,  
 For everything on it  
 Is gas.

The sun is so hot,  
 Believe it or not,  
 You never could get  
 Near this star;  
 No, a trip to the sun  
 Would not be much fun.  
 It's millions of miles  
 Too far.



# UNIT

# 3

# The Life of Plants



## HIGHLIGHTS

### TOPIC AREAS

- Plants
- Relationship between plants and people
- Trees
- A carnivorous plant
- Talking about plant life and the life cycle
- Talking about the oxygen-carbon dioxide cycle
- Attributive clause (2)
- Relative pronoun *that* used as subject and object
- Relative adverbs *when*, *where* and *why*

### FUNCTIONS

### STRUCTURES

### CHAT ROOM

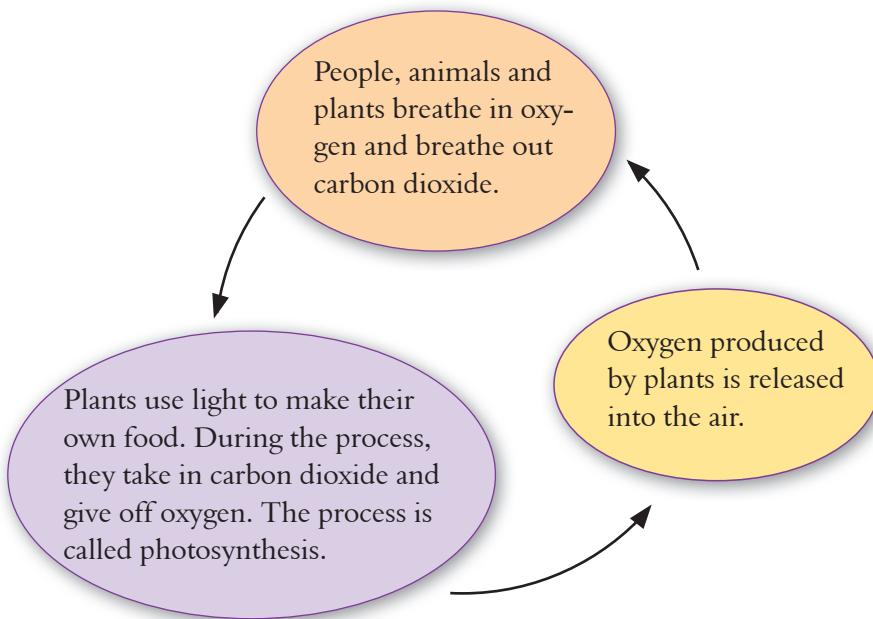
- Dialogue 1 A beautiful garden
- Dialogue 2 What's so great about plants?

### PROGRAMME

- Item 1 How much do you know about a tree?
- Item 2 Greedy green eaters

**1** Look and learn.

### The Oxygen-Carbon Dioxide Cycle



**2** Listen and learn.

**Teacher:** Do you know all living things need food for energy and growth?

**Student A:** Yes, I do. Plants make their own food but animals can't. Animals have to get their food from elsewhere.

**Teacher:** Plants serve as food for most animals, even if animals don't eat plants directly. For example, a worm eats leaves and other bits of plants; the worm is eaten by a bird and the bird is eaten by a cat. Although the cat and the bird don't eat the plants themselves, they still depend on them to survive. What is this called?

**Student B:** This is called a food chain. The food chain shows how food is passed on from the leaf to the worm, and then to the bird and cat.



3

 Listen and learn.

(1)

Who is Mary?

The girl who / that is sitting  
behind the thin boy.

(2)

Who is your uncle?

The man who / that is  
watering the flowers.

(3)

Who is Miss Green?

The woman who / that is  
talking with the boy.

(4)

Who talked to you on the  
telephone yesterday?The man who / that is looking  
out of the window.

(5)

Who rescued the little girl  
this morning?The soldier who / that is now  
reading a book.

(6)

Who wants to buy an  
ice-cream?The children who / that are in  
front of the counter.

4

Look and transform the sentences.

**A. Example:** He is the man. He lives next door. →  
 He is the man who / that lives next door.

(1) A girl was injured in the accident. She is now in hospital. →

(2) A man answered the phone. He has a nice voice. →

(3) I've got a friend. He collects stamps. →

**B. Example:** Where's the nurse? I saw her last time. →  
Where's the nurse who(m) / that I saw last time?

(1) The people were very friendly. We met them at the party. →

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(2) The girl likes roses very much. My cousin talked to her this morning. →

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(3) Some of the people couldn't come. I invited people to the party. →

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**C. Example:** Do you know a shop? It sells good coffee. →  
Do you know a shop that sells good coffee?

(1) There is a problem. It worries me. →

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(2) I want some plates. They can go in the microwave. →

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(3) We've got some light bulbs. They last for years. →

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**D. Example:** This is a photo. I took it yesterday. →  
This is a photo that I took yesterday.

(1) These are knives. I bought them in Hong Kong. →

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(2) These are trees. We planted them last month. →

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(3) There is a problem. You don't understand it. →

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5

Make one sentence from two using *who / that*.

(1) We know a lot of people. They live in Beijing.

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(2) The man lives next door. He is very friendly.

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(3) Where is the cheese? It was in the fridge.

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(4) I don't like stories. They have unhappy endings.

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(5) Barbara works for a company. It makes washing machines.

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(6) The machine broke down. It has now been repaired.

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6

Do you know how to join the beginnings to the endings?

A. BEGINNINGS

All the poetry...

- ...that she said made any difference.

At school I learnt nothing...

- ...that he wrote was destroyed in a fire.

I've told you everything...

- ...that was useful to me.

Nothing...

- ...that you want.

You can have everything...

- ...that happened.

ENDINGS

B. BEGINNINGS

It's the best Western film...

- ...that I've ever seen.

The most useful thing...

- ...that has ever been made.

He's the tallest man...

- ...that has ever happened to me.

It is the worst thing...

- ...that you can do is leave now.

7

Match the questions with the answers. Then practise with your partner.

- (1) What's a whale?
- (2) What's honey?
- (3) What's a spade?
- (4) What's a skyscraper?
- (5) What's a ruler?
- (6) What's a saucepan?
- (7) What's a camcorder?
- (8) What's a carpenter?
- (9) What's a peninsula?
- (10) What's a lipstick?

- a. It's a tool that you use in the garden.
- b. It's a large animal that lives in the sea.
- c. It's a type of camera that records pictures and sound on videotape.
- d. It's something used for adding colour to your lips.
- e. It's someone that makes things with wood.
- f. It's a kind of food that bees make.
- g. It's something that you draw straight lines with.
- h. It's a piece of land that's almost completely surrounded by water but joined to a large area of land.
- i. It's a deep round container with a handle that is used for cooking.
- j. It's a building that's very tall.

8

Study and learn.

(1) The hotel wasn't very clean. We stayed there. →

**The hotel where we stayed wasn't very clean.**

(2) I know a garden. You can find wild strawberries there. →

**I know a garden where you can find wild strawberries.**

**I know a garden in which you can find wild strawberries.**

(3) I would like to live in a country. There is plenty of sunshine. →

**I would like to live in a country where there is plenty of sunshine.**

(4) Glasgow is the largest city in Scotland. My brother lives there. →

**Glasgow, where my brother lives, is the largest city in Scotland.**

(5) The lab is not far from here. The chemist often does experiments there. →

**The lab where the chemist often does experiments is not far from here.**

9

 Listen and learn.

- (1) **A:** Why are you so excited?  
**B:** I met my idol Lin Shuhao at the airport.  
**A:** When did you meet him?  
**B:** Yesterday. I'll never forget the day.  
**A:** Oh, you'll never forget the day when you met your idol Lin Shuhao.

- (2) **A:** Where did you spend your summer holiday?  
**B:** I went to the beach.  
**A:** Did you have a good time?  
**B:** Yes. I'll always remember it.  
**A:** You'll always remember the summer holiday when you were on the beach.

- (3) **A:** I wish I could land on the moon.  
**B:** Your dream will come true sooner or later.  
**A:** I expect that the day will come sooner or later when I can land on the moon.

10

 Listen and practise.

- (1) **A:** Why are you late?  
**B:** I came across a traffic jam.  
**A:** Is this the reason why you are late?  
**B:** Yes. I am sorry.
- (2) **A:** Susan is crying, Mr Green.  
**B:** Do you know the reason why she is crying?  
**A:** No, I don't know. Maybe it is because she failed the exam.  
**B:** Tell her not to worry about it. We'll help her.

- (3) **A:** It's very late. Tim is still studying his maths.  
**B:** This is the reason why he has made such rapid progress.  
**A:** I must learn from him.

**Dialogue 1*****A beautiful garden***

- A:** Your garden is looking beautiful this summer. The flowers are really colourful.
- B:** Thank you. I have roses, tulips, and daffodils. Do you like the rockery with the smaller flowers?
- A:** Yes, I do. Those are violets, aren't they?
- B:** Yes, they are. And this afternoon, I'm going to prune the hedge.
- A:** Well, the lower branches on that tree are hanging very low. Would you like me to cut them off for you?
- B:** Thank you! That would be very kind of you. I have a saw in the garden shed.
- A:** When the lower branches are removed, you'll be able to sit under the tree.
- B:** That's great! Tomorrow, I'll mow the lawn. Then the garden will look perfect.
- A:** Just make sure the children don't play in the flower beds and destroy the flowers.

**Dialogue 2*****What's so great about plants?***

- A:** What's so great about plants?
- B:** They give us food!
- A:** Wait a minute: What about a hamburger?
- B:** Well, the lettuce, tomato, and pickle or cucumber are from plants. And the bun is from flour that is made from grinding wheat seeds. The mince may not come from a plant, but it comes from a cow that feeds on the grass. No grass, no cow, no burger!
- A:** What else is so great about plants?
- B:** They supply us with oxygen to breathe. When plants get light, they can turn water and carbon dioxide into sugar and oxygen. As you can see, plants are pretty important to our survival.
- A:** What parts of the plant do we eat?
- B:** Roots, seeds, leaves, fruits, flowers and stems. A large part of what people eat is made up of plants or parts of plants. In fact, plants contain many of the nutrients that help us keep healthy.
- A:** Aha, you sound like a vegetarian.



ROOTS



SEEDS



LEAVES



FRUIT



STEMS



FLOWERS

**Item 1*****How much do you know about a tree?***

- 1** What's the English for each part of a tree? Do you know?



- 2** Read the definitions and write the words in the blanks.

- (1) the outer covering of a tree \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) the thick central wooden stem of a tree \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) a part of a tree that grows outwards from the trunk and that has leaves \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) one of the flat green parts of a plant that are joined to their stems and branches \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) the part of a plant or tree that grows under the ground and gets water from the soil \_\_\_\_\_

- 3** Listen to the text and fill in the blanks.

Part	Trunk	branches	leaves	bark	Roots
Feature	stem of wood	stems of wood; Grow out from the _____	Usually _____	Like _____; Old, rough and _____ at the bottom, younger and _____ near the top	Under the _____; Grow _____; Main roots quite thick and _____
Can Do			Use energy from the sun to make _____	_____ the tree	Take water and _____ from the earth up into the trunk and the _____; Help a tree to _____

**4**

Read the text and check your answers.

When you look at a tree, what do you see? The trunk, the branches, and the leaves. What else do you see?

A tree is a tall plant with a single stem of wood — the trunk. Smaller branches grow out from the trunk, and the leaves (usually green) grow on these branches. When trees grow close together, their trunks are longer and straighter.

On the outside of the trunk and branches of the tree, you can see the bark. Like the skin on your body, this bark protects the tree. The bark at the bottom of the trunk is old, and therefore it is rough and cracked. The bark near the top of the tree is younger and smoother.

When you look at a tree, you see only half of it, because the other half is under the ground — the roots. The roots are a very important part of the tree. They help it to grow.

Many people think the roots of a tree grow downwards, but in fact most of a tree's roots grow outwards — and they can push outwards through the thick earth as far as the tree is high. The roots take water and minerals from the earth up into the trunk and the branches.

A tree can live longer than all other living things. In fact, some trees can live for hundreds — even thousands — of years! The oldest trees in the world today are in California, USA. But how does a tree grow so big and live for such a long time?

A tree needs sunlight and water to grow. High above the ground, the tree's leaves use energy from the sun to make food. The green colour in the leaves is called "chlorophyll."

Below the ground, the roots of the tree move out to get water. The main roots are quite thick and strong, and from these main roots, many small roots (called rootlets) grow. If you look carefully at these rootlets, you can see tiny root hairs. The hairs look small, but they are very important because they take in water, which then goes into the rootlets, and finally into the main roots to be carried up the tree.

Usually, the roots of a tree are under the ground, but there are some strange trees! For example, the banyan tree in India has big, thick roots which grow down from its branches and into the ground.

5

Read the sentences from this item and pay attention to the phrases in italics. What do they mean? Look them up in your dictionary. Make sentences using them.

(1) The oldest trees *in the world* today are in California, USA.

*in the world:* \_\_\_\_\_

New Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) *In fact*, some trees can live for hundreds — even thousands — of years!

*in fact:* \_\_\_\_\_

New Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) The hairs look small, but they are very important because they *take in* water, which then goes into the rootlets, and finally into the main roots to be carried up the tree.

*take in:* \_\_\_\_\_

New Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

6

### A play.

In the garden, the tree family — the trunk, branches, leaves, bark and roots — are arguing over who is more important than the others. Each part boasts about its own ability, saying, “I’m the most important and valuable part of a tree, because ... Without me, a tree would die of / from...”

Work in groups of five. What would you say if you were one of them?

### Item 2

#### Greedy green eaters

1

Look carefully at the pictures. Guess what’s happening.



**2**  Listen and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

- (1) The fly makes a big mistake because it lands on the leaves whose sides are like a comb.
- (2) The Venus flytrap is the name of the fly.
- (3) A carnivorous plant is a plant that eats meat.
- (4) It is easy for a plant to catch an insect.
- (5) A sweet, sugary liquid on the leaves attracts or invites the insects to come near.
- (6) The Venus flytrap will eat its dinner the moment it catches it.

**3**  Listen again and put the events in the right order.

- A. The leaves close together as soon as the fly lands on them.
- B. The body of the insect dissolves over the next week or two.
- C. A beautiful, blue fly is moving around.
- D. The fly is trapped and can't move because the sides of the leaves lock together tightly.
- E. The fly hovers above a plant with strange leaves, and then it lands on the leaves.
- F. The Venus flytrap drinks this liquid soup.

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (6) \_\_\_\_\_

**4** Read the text and match the words with their meanings.

At the side of the water, a beautiful blue fly is moving around. It flies over the flowers and grasses, and then sees an interesting plant with strange leaves. The fly hovers (flies without moving) above the plant and looks more closely, and then it lands on the leaves. It is a big mistake. SNAP! The leaves close together and catch the fly. The sides of the leaves are like a comb, and they lock together very tightly. The fly is trapped and can't move. Soon it will be dead.

The name of the plant is the Venus flytrap, and it is one example of a carnivorous plant — in other words, a plant that eats meat. These meat-eating plants are quite unusual, and are a very interesting group to study.

When you read about a plant like this eating an insect, it all looks very simple. But it is not very easy for a plant to catch an insect. The Venus fly-

trap can't move around, and it has no eyes to see the flies above or beside it. It can't hear the noise of insects coming near. So how does it catch something in its leaves — especially something that can move fast, like a fly?

The plant doesn't have to move, it just waits for the meal to come to it. Like all traps, the Venus flytrap uses a special bait. This means it has something that will attract or invite the insects to come near. The Venus flytrap has a very sweet, sugary liquid on its leaves. The insects can smell this, and they think it is delicious — this is the bait. The sweet liquid smells like a tasty meal, so the insects fly nearer and land on the leaves. Of course, they are right — it is a tasty meal, but the delicious meal is them!

The plant has to work very fast to catch the insect, so when the insect lands on the leaves, the trap starts to work immediately. There are three very small hairs on each leaf. As soon as the insect touches these hairs, the trap closes, like the teeth in a mouth. And this happens very quickly. In less than a second, the sides of the leaves close, and the insect can't get out. This is enough to trap a large insect like the fly. Now the Venus flytrap has caught its dinner — but it takes a long time to eat it.

The leaves slowly move closer and closer together, and after about half an hour, they are shut tight. Now the leaves are like a cup, and it fills with a special liquid. In fact it is more like a stomach, and over the next week or two the body of the insect dissolves (becomes liquid) inside this "stomach." Now the plant has a cup of "insect soup"! The Venus flytrap can drink this liquid soup through its leaves, and in this way it takes in extra vitamins to help it grow.



- (1) hover
- (2) snap
- (3) fly
- (4) trap
- (5) Venus flytrap
- (6) carnivorous
- (7) bait
- (8) dissolve
- (9) vitamin

- a. food used to attract fish, animals, or birds so that you can catch them
- b. a small flying insect with two wings
- c. a natural substance found in food that is necessary for good health
- d. to remain in one place in the air
- e. a sudden loud sound, especially made by sth breaking or closing
- f. a piece of equipment for catching animals
- g. flesh-eating
- h. a plant that catches and eats insects
- i. to make or become liquid

## 3

**Programme**

5

Read the sentences from this item and pay attention to the phrases in italics. What do they mean? Look them up in your dictionary. Make sentences using them.

- (1) The name of the plant is the Venus flytrap, and it is one example of a carnivorous plant — *in other words*, a plant that eats meat.

*in other words:* \_\_\_\_\_

New Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

- (2) The Venus flytrap can drink this liquid soup through its leaves, and *in this way* it takes in extra vitamins to help it grow.

*in this (or that) way:* \_\_\_\_\_

New Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

6

Talk with your partner about the process in which the Venus flytrap catches and eats an insect.

## 4

**Message Box****Box 1**

*that* as subject in attributive clause

The woman *that* lives next door is a doctor.

I know some people *that* could help you.

The waitress *that* served us was very impolite and impatient.

**Box 2**

*that* as object following a preposition or prepositional phrase in attributive clause

The bed (*that*) I slept in last night wasn't very comfortable.

The man (*that*) I was sitting next to on the plane talked all the time.

**Box 3*****that* as object following a verb in attributive clause**

- Have you found the keys (that) you lost?
- Is that the Frenchman that Alice is going to marry?
- The woman (that) I wanted to see was away on holiday.
- What have you done with the money (that) I gave you?

**Box 4*****that* used with indefinite pronouns**

- Is there anything that I can do for you?
- Everything that they said was true.
- I can only lend you ten pounds. It's all that I've got.

**Box 5*****that* used with superlative forms**

- I won't be able to do much but I'll do the best that I can.
- This is the most interesting film that I've ever seen.
- The car that he's driving is the most expensive thing that he possesses.

**Box 6**

I often think of the days	when	he was with us.
It reminds me of the years		we worked together.

**Box 7**

A laboratory is a place	where	we do experiments.
We visited the museum		his father works.

**Box 8**

Will you please tell me the reason	why	you are late?
This is the reason		the sports meeting was put off.

**Box 9**

I'll never forget the day	(that)	we spent in London.
	when	we stayed in London.

**Box 10**

This is the room	(that)	his father visited.
	where	his father lived.
	in which	his father worked.

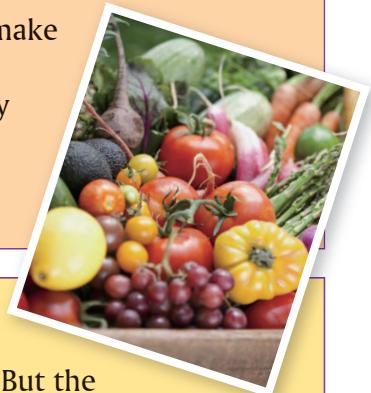
Apples, not caffeine or tea, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.

A cluster of bananas is called a hand and consists of 10 to 20 bananas, which are known as fingers.

Bananas contain a natural chemical which can make a person happy.

Because bananas are easy to digest and are very nutritious, they are the first fruit offered to babies.

Mango is called “king of the fruits.”



Tomatoes and potatoes are the two vegetables which are grown in largest quantities in the world. But the onion is the most widely used vegetable!

The onion is used in more dishes than any other vegetable. Eating a lot of onions will make you sleepy.

Leaving skin on potatoes when they are cooked is healthier, as all vitamins are in the skin.

- 1** A photosynthesis experiment: During photosynthesis, a plant converts the light energy captured from the sun into chemical energy like glucose, a form of sugar, that can be used to fuel its activities. And the plant will store the glucose as starch once it has been made. We can test whether a leaf has photosynthesized or not by testing it for starch.

- (1) Dip a leaf in boiling water for about a minute to soften it.
- (2) Put the leaf in a test tube of ethanol and stand the test tube in hot water for ten minutes. (This removes the colour.)
- (3) Remove and wash the leaf.
- (4) Lay the leaf flat in a petri dish and add iodine.
- (5) If starch is present, the leaf should go blue/black.

You can repeat the experiment on a plant that has been kept in the dark for 24 hours or a leaf that has been kept in a flask without carbon dioxide. You should find that the iodine stays brown in the two cases, which just proves that light and carbon dioxide are needed for photosynthesis.

2

**Internet Surfing**

Go online to learn:

- (1) one of the most important contributions of plants to the environment;
- (2) how plants interact with their environment;
- (3) how plants react to bad weather conditions such as heat, floods or drought;
- (4) carnivorous plants.

People of all ages in every part of the world grow food and flowers in gardens. Gardening for some persons is a pleasant recreation, to others an absorbing hobby. To millions it is the work by which they make their own daily bread and help to feed the rest of the world.

One of the best things about home gardening is that it can be enjoyed by anyone who loves nature and who has a few square feet of soil in which to work. From the time children can first toddle after their mothers, helping to pull weeds and plant seeds, gardening can be exciting and interesting for them all their lives.

Gardening makes a person appreciate beauty, and gives him / her a realization that plants, like all other living things, will be well and healthy only if they are given good care, proper food, and enough water and sunshine. Anyone who plants a garden must "follow through" if he wants success. A week's neglect of weed pulling or of watering in a dry spell may result in a ruined garden. Plants are living things and they deserve good care on the part of the gardeners.

Families who live on small or medium-sized places are able and glad to do all the gardening themselves. Sometimes an expert or a landscape architect is called in to make the first plans.

Perhaps he plans the trees, shrubs and hedges, and lays out the driveways.



1

**How to get to my house?**

You are explaining to a foreign friend how to get to your house. Complete the instructions using the words or phrases in the box. There is one more than needed.

launderette  
playground

pelican crossing  
newsagent's

chemist  
shop assistant

traffic lights

Come out of the station and turn left. You'll come to some lights that tell the cars to stop and go, which are called traffic lights. Turn right and cross the road. Go past a (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (a shop that sells medicines), and a place where you get your clothes washed, that is, a (2) \_\_\_\_\_. Take the next left. You should pass a place where children play, called a (3) \_\_\_\_\_, and then you cross the road at the (4) \_\_\_\_\_, which say if it's safe to cross. Go along and take the next right, past a shop that sells newspapers, that is, a (5) \_\_\_\_\_, and my house is the red one on your right hand without a number. If you can't find it, ask the (6) \_\_\_\_\_; that's the person who works in the shop.

2

**A poem.****If I ruled the world**

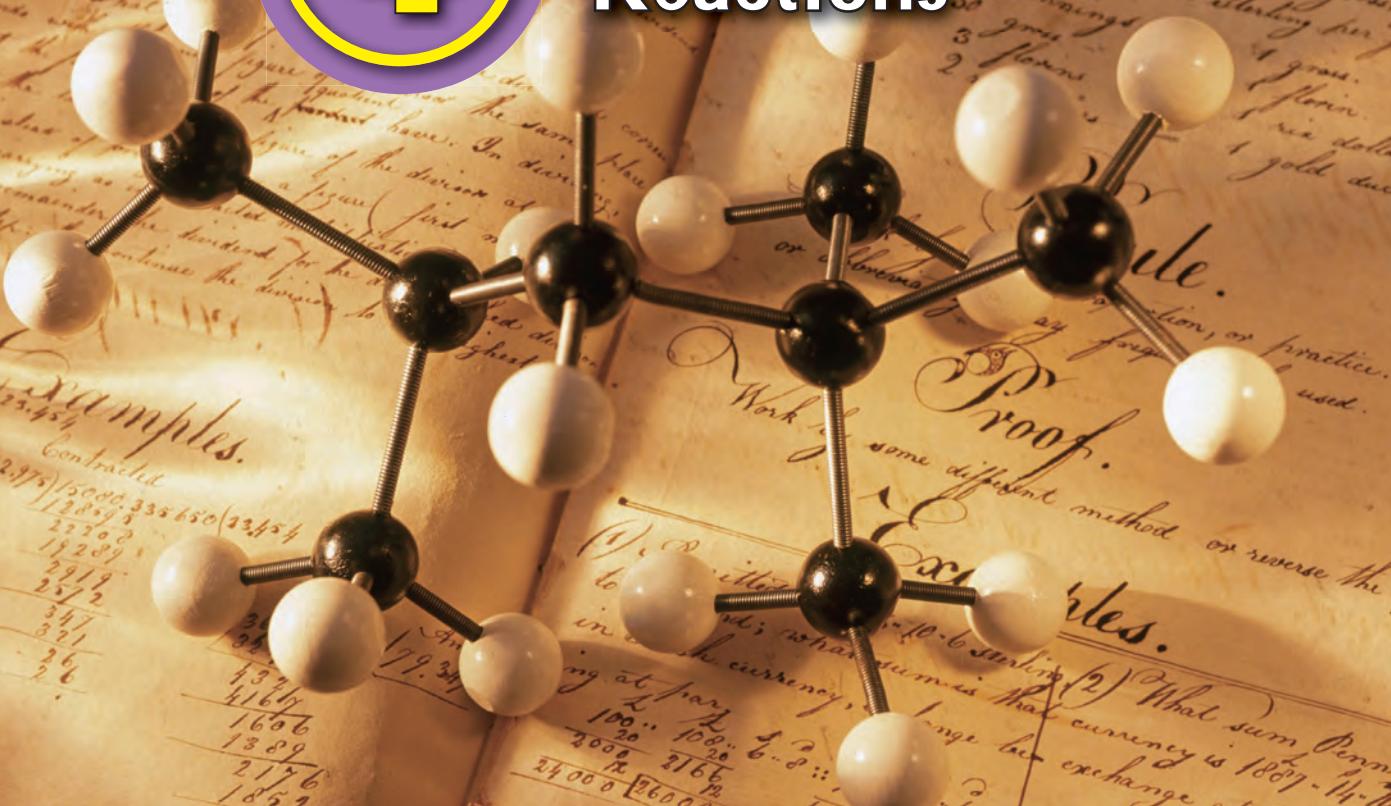
If I ruled the world,  
Everyone would have the same amount of money,  
We would be safe in traffic,  
No one would go hungry,  
And everyone would be happy.  
There would be more sport in school  
And less crime in the country.  
Telephone calls would be free  
So that we could always talk to each other and  
be more friendly,  
And there would be no rubbish in the streets.



# UNIT

# 4

# Changes and Reactions



## HIGHLIGHTS

### TOPIC AREAS

Biology

Physics

Chemistry

### FUNCTIONS

Talking about sciences

Describing steps of doing an experiment

Describing results of an experiment

Logical argument

### STRUCTURES

Adverbial clause (Revision 1)

Clauses of time and reason

Conditional sentences

Gerund as subject

### CHAT ROOM

Dialogue 1 The butterfly and the moth

Dialogue 2 Fires in a graveyard

### PROGRAMME

Item 1 The tests for three gases

Item 2 What a seed needs to grow?

## 1

# Getting Started

1

Look, listen and read.



A

**Student A:** Why does the apple fall?

**Student B:** The ground must have a force that attracts things, such as apples, towards it.

B

**Student A:** The stone also drops to the ground.

**Student B:** That's right. All things on earth including us are attracted by gravity. This is my "theory."



2

Look, listen and repeat.

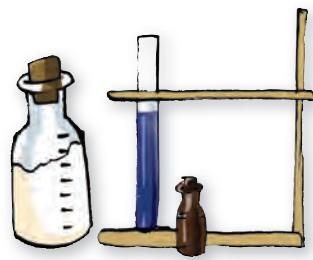
**A:** Peter!

**B:** Yes?

**A:** I missed the test for starch in class. Can you help me?

**B:** Certainly. Add one drop of iodine solution to the starch in water.

- A:** What happens?
- B:** A blue colour is formed, that is, starch plus iodine forms a blue colour.
- A:** I see.
- B:** Starch is found in many foods. You can test foods like bread, rice, beans...
- A:** OK. I'll try.



3

## Read and think.

- (1)    **A:** How can we make the ball round again?
- B:** Put the ball into some hot water. The air in the ball expands. This makes the ball round again.
- (2)        **A:** Tony cannot open the container. What should he do?
- B:** He should put a hot towel around the top of the lid of the container for a while. The lid expands when it gets hot. Then he will be able to open the container.

4

## Listen, read and have a dialogue of your own.

## Example:

- A:** I did an experiment at home.
- B:** Yes? What was it about?
- A:** An egg.
- B:** What did you do?
- A:** I put the egg in some white vinegar in a bowl.
- A:** What did you see then?
- B:** The egg sank into the vinegar, and bubbles began to form around the egg. Then the egg went up a little, but soon it sank again. The up and down movements repeated themselves for a while. And finally the eggshell seemed to thin away.
- B:** That's amazing!

Put a handkerchief into some wine, take it out and burn it, and the handkerchief will not be burned.

A: I did an experiment at home.

A: \_\_\_\_\_

A: \_\_\_\_\_

A: \_\_\_\_\_

B: \_\_\_\_\_

B: What did you do?

B: What happened?

B: That's amazing!

5

Underline the verb that happened first.

- (1) He **did** military service before he **went to** university.
- (2) I **phoned** Sarah after I **spoke to** Bill.
- (3) Before the rain **stopped**, he **went out** shopping.
- (4) After she **gave up** her job at the bank, she **left** her husband.
- (5) I **felt** really depressed before you **turned up**.
- (6) Things **were** quite different after Susie **left**.

6

What does **as** mean in these sentences, *because* or *at the same time*?

- (1) **As** they live near us, we see them quite often. \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Jill slipped **as** she was getting off the bus. \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) **As** I was tired, I went to bed early. \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Unfortunately, **as** I was parking the car, I hit the car behind. \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) **As** we climbed the hill, we got more and more tired. \_\_\_\_\_
- (6) We decided to go out to eat **as** we had no food at home. \_\_\_\_\_
- (7) **As** we don't use the car very often, we've decided to sell it. \_\_\_\_\_

7

Join the beginnings to the endings with *as long as / so long as*.

#### BEGINNINGS

I don't mind your singing...

We'll come back this afternoon...

We'll play tennis...

You can go out...

You can use my car...

#### ENDINGS

- ...you tell us where you're going.

- ...it doesn't rain.

- ...that's OK with you.

- ...you drive carefully.

- ...you do it quietly.

8

Put the beginnings and endings together.

### BEGINNINGS

- Although he was very bad-tempered... • ...after you have a meal.
- Always brush your teeth... • ...and I'll hit you.
- Always wash your hands... • ...before you have a meal.
- As Liz told you... • ...but everybody liked him.
- Because I knew her family... • ...he had lots of friends.
- Talk to me like that again... • ...I did what I could for her.
- Don't do that again... • ...her mother left for Berlin last Friday.
- He had a terrible temper... • ...or I'll hit you.
- Liz explained to you... • ...so I tried my hardest to help her.
- I was sorry for her... • ...that her mother went back home last week.
- If you do that again... • ...unless you stop that.
- There'll be trouble... • ...you'll be sorry.

### ENDINGS

9

Read and learn.

(1) Playing football is my favourite sport.

Seeing is believing.

Talking mends no holes.

(2) It's no good waiting here.

It's no use sending him over.

It's a waste of time arguing about it.

**Dialogue 1****The butterfly and the moth**

**A:** Look at the butterfly and the moth in the pictures.

**B:** I think they look similar.

**A:** Yes. And their mouths look like...?

**B:** A tube.

**A:** Right. But how many pairs of legs does a butterfly have?

**B:** Three.

**A:** How many growing stages are there in the life cycle of a butterfly?

**B:** Four.

**A:** What are they?

**B:** Egg, larva, pupa and adult stages.

**A:** How about the life cycle of moths?

**B:** Four, too.

**A:** Are they different from each other?

**B:** No, their growing stages are the same.

**Dialogue 2****Fires in a graveyard**

**A:** Have you heard of green fires burning in a graveyard?

**B:** Yes. People call them ghost fires.

**A:** Actually, the fires may come from white phosphorus, a chemical substance that is stored in people's bones. Let me show you with a test.

**B:** OK.

**A:** We need a beaker, tweezers, white phosphorus, CS<sub>2</sub> and a piece of filter paper.

**B:** A piece of filter paper?

**A:** That's right. The paper is rough and it will be used to absorb the white phosphorus liquid.

**B:** Then what are you going to do?

**A:** First, put some CS<sub>2</sub> into a beaker and add a little white phosphorus into it.

**B:** Next?

**A:** Wait till the white phosphorus dissolves in the CS<sub>2</sub>, and then put the piece of filter paper in the beaker for a minute.

**B:** And after that?

**A:** Pick up the piece of filter paper with the tweezers and hold it in the air.

**B:** What happens?

**A:** The paper burns itself.

**B:** Oh, I see.

**Item 1*****The tests for three gases***

- 1** Think hard: When you dip a glowing splint into a tube filled with oxygen, what happens?

- (1) Does it go out?  
(2) Does it relight?

- 2**  Listen to the text and choose the proper answer to fill in the blanks. Then read the text after the recording.

There are three common gases: nitrogen, oxygen and carbon dioxide. We cannot feel or see the differences between them, but we can use tests to identify them. Carbon dioxide turns lime water milky and a bicarbonate indicator yellow. These are good tests for the presence of carbon dioxide. Oxygen relights a glowing splint. It is a good test for the presence of oxygen.

There is no good simple test for nitrogen. When you have only nitrogen, oxygen and carbon dioxide, that does not matter too much. The test for nitrogen is whether it turns lime water milky or relights a glowing splint.

- (1) When you add a little lime water to a sample gas in a test tube, put a stopper in the tube and shake it, and if the lime water turns milky, it is \_\_\_\_\_ (oxygen / nitrogen / carbon dioxide).  
(2) When you add a bicarbonate indicator to a sample gas in a test tube, and if the indicator turns yellow, it is \_\_\_\_\_ (carbon dioxide / oxygen).  
(3) When you dip a burning splint into a sample gas in a test tube, the burning splint goes out. The gas is \_\_\_\_\_ (oxygen / carbon dioxide).  
(4) When you dip a glowing splint into a sample gas in a test tube, the glowing splint relights. The gas is \_\_\_\_\_ (oxygen / carbon dioxide).

- 3** Here is a dialogue about two tests for two gases. Act them out.

A: What did you do in your chemistry class?

B: We did two tests for two gases.

A: Two gases?

B: Yes, oxygen and carbon dioxide.

A: How did you do the tests?

B: Well, first we added a little lime water to a gas in a test tube. Then we put a stopper in the tube and shake it.

A: What happened?

B: The lime water turned milky.

A: Which gas was in the tube?

B: Carbon dioxide. It makes lime water turn milky.

A: What about the other test?

B: We then lighted a splint and put it into a sample of the other gas.

A: Did it go out?

B: No. It stayed alight or even burned brighter.

A: That's oxygen.

B: You're right.

#### 4

#### **Discussion.**

How do we tell nitrogen from oxygen and carbon dioxide?

#### **Item 2**

#### ***What a seed needs to grow?***

##### 1

Listen to the first part of the text and put the events in sequence.

- The seed gets larger and the seed coat gets softer.
- The seed is in a resting state.
- The seed is soaked in water.
- The seed will begin to sprout.

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

##### 2

Listen to the second part and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

- \_\_\_\_\_ (1) The root pushing through the top part of the seed grows upwards.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (2) The stem pushing through the top part of the seed grows downwards.

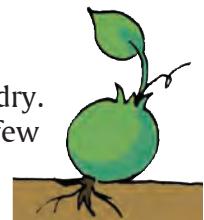
- \_\_\_\_\_ (3) This stem carries seed leaves with it.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (4) The seed leaves as well as the soil provide food for the growing plant.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (5) Two small leaves grow between the seed leaves.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (6) Buds on the stem form new leaves.

3

 Read the text after the tape and do the exercises.

### 1st part

In a container we put a bean seed. The bean seed is hard and dry. It is in a resting state, or is dormant. It can be dormant for a few days, a few weeks, or a few years. It will remain dormant until it gets water, oxygen, and a certain temperature, then it will begin to grow.



Now we add some water to the container and the dry bean seed is soaked in the water. After a certain period of time, the bean seed gets larger and the seed coat gets softer. The seed changes because it absorbs or takes in water. Then we drain the container and rinse the bean seed at regular intervals. If the bean seed now has enough oxygen and the right temperature, it will begin to sprout — or germinate — in a few days.



### 2nd part

After the bean seed takes in water and the seed coat gets softer, the container is drained and the seed is rinsed at regular intervals. With enough oxygen and the right temperature, a root pushes through the seed coat at the bottom part of the seed and grows downwards. Later, a stem pushes through the top part of the seed and grows upwards. The stem carries seed leaves with it. The seed leaves provide food for the growing plant. Two small leaves start to grow between the seed leaves. Soon, the plant uses up the stored food inside the seed leaves. The seed leaves then dry up and drop off. Buds on the stem form more leaves as the bean plant grows taller. The new leaves will trap sunlight to get energy for the plant.



A. Match different ways of saying the same thing.

in a resting state

•     •     absorb

sprout

•     •     dormant

take in

•     •     germinate

B. Study the antonyms.

hard — soft

bottom — top

downwards — upwards

**3**

## Programme

C. Answer the questions.

(1) What does a seed need to grow?

(2) What happens when a soaked seed has enough oxygen and the right temperature?

(3) Describe the growing process of a bean seed.

(4) How does a seed get food?

**4**

### An experiment.

Plant a dry seed and a soaked seed. Be sure to water both of them the same way. Do they both germinate? Do they germinate at the same time? Write a report on the experiment.

**4**

## Message Box

**Box 1**

after	I arrived after he left.
as soon as	He rang me as soon as he heard the news.
when	It was snowing when he arrived.
while	While my mum was cooking, I was doing my homework.
as	As time passed, things seemed to get worse.
until	They kept on working until it was dark.
	He didn't arrive until the game had begun.
before	Do it now before you forget.

**Box 2**

where	It's hot where I live. Sit where you prefer.
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**Box 3**

because	Because it was raining hard, we took a taxi.
as	As he was not feeling well, I decided to go by myself.
since	Since you are unable to answer our questions, perhaps we should ask someone else.
for	Mary was late for class, for she got up late.

**4**

## Message Box

**Box 4**

if	If you don't take my advice, you will be sorry.
unless	Milk quickly turns sour unless it's refrigerated.
so long as	You may borrow the book so long as you keep it clean.

**Box 5**

Seeing is believing.

It's no good talking to her.

It's no use crying over spilt milk.

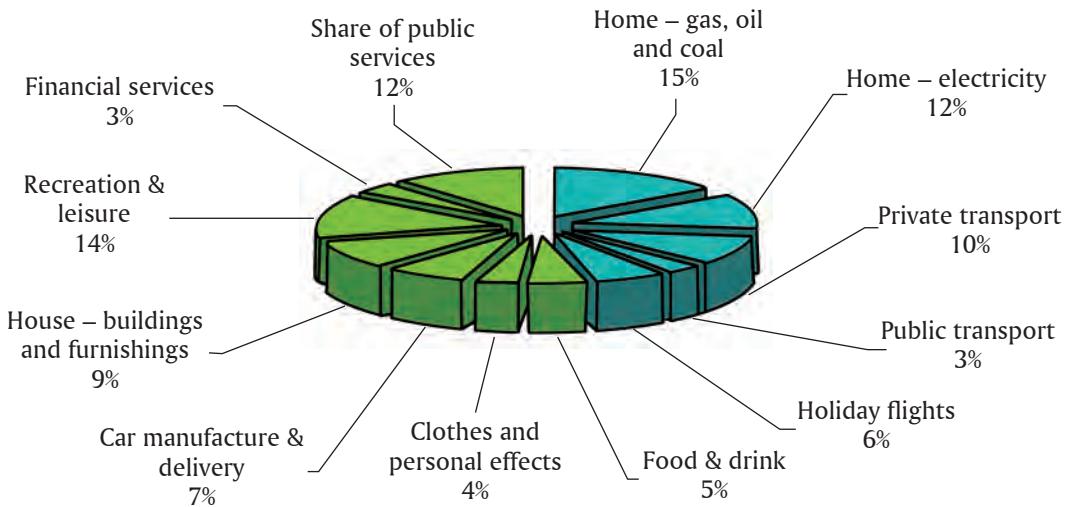
It's a waste of time waiting any longer.

**5**

## Data Bank

There are lots of things we can do to look after the environment. What do you do? Your carbon footprint tells how green you are.

A carbon footprint is the total set of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions caused by an organization, event, product or person. The pie chart below shows the main elements which make up the total of a typical person's carbon footprint in the developed world.



**1** Perform the following experiments.

- (1) When you put some hot water into a glass with a thermometer, does the mercury in the thermometer rise or fall?
- (2) When you put some iced water into the glass, does the mercury in the thermometer rise or fall?

**2 Pair Work**

Girls seem to be more interested in the arts than the sciences. Boys are contrary to girls. Have a dialogue about this with your partner.

**3 Problem Solving**

Do the quick experiment.

**What you need**

- |                               |
|-------------------------------|
| 1/4 cup of grape juice        |
| a small, clear glass          |
| 1 tablespoon of baking soda   |
| 1 tablespoon of white vinegar |

**What you do**

First, get permission to use the kitchen equipment at your home.

- (1) Pour the grape juice into the glass.
- (2) Slowly mix the baking soda into the grape juice. The colour at the top of the juice will change to blue.
- (3) Now add the vinegar to the mixture, a drop at a time. The colour will change to pink where the vinegar drips into the mixture.
- (4) When you pour out the liquid into the sink, notice how dark it has become. Do you know why the colour changes?

**4 Topic Discussion**

Animals respire to stay alive. They need food and oxygen to keep them alive. Plants are also living things. Do they respire? How?

**5 Internet Surfing**

Here are some important concepts in biology.

- (1) Living things reproduce their own kind.
- (2) Living things are adapted to their environment.
- (3) Living things are part of their environment.

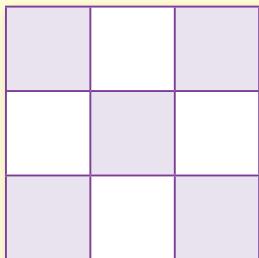
Get online and find some examples to explain the concepts.

Science and its effects are found all over the natural world. Scientists study animals, plants, rocks and soil. They want to understand nature, and find out how science and technology affect wildlife.

One of the most complicated types of science is ecology. Ecologists try to understand how the natural world links together. They study how animals and plants live, what animals eat, and why plants grow better in some soils than in others. They count the numbers of animals and plants, and may trap animals briefly to study them, or follow the growth of trees in a wood. When the balance of nature is damaged, ecologists can help to find out why.

### 1 A game: Three in a Row.

Divide students into groups of 4. Each group has two teams. One team is  $\times$  and the other is  $\circ$ . Each team chooses a square in a bigger square to start (see the following on the left). Finish a sentence in the box below (see the following on the right) so that it's grammatically correct and makes sense. If you did it right, put your  $\times$  or  $\circ$  in the square. The first team to get "three in a row" is the winner.



Unless we hurry,... I'll give you the money as soon as...	I'll leave home when... If I see him,... As soon as he gets here,...	I won't get married until... When I can speak English fluently,... You'll never be rich unless ...
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### Not just for the ride

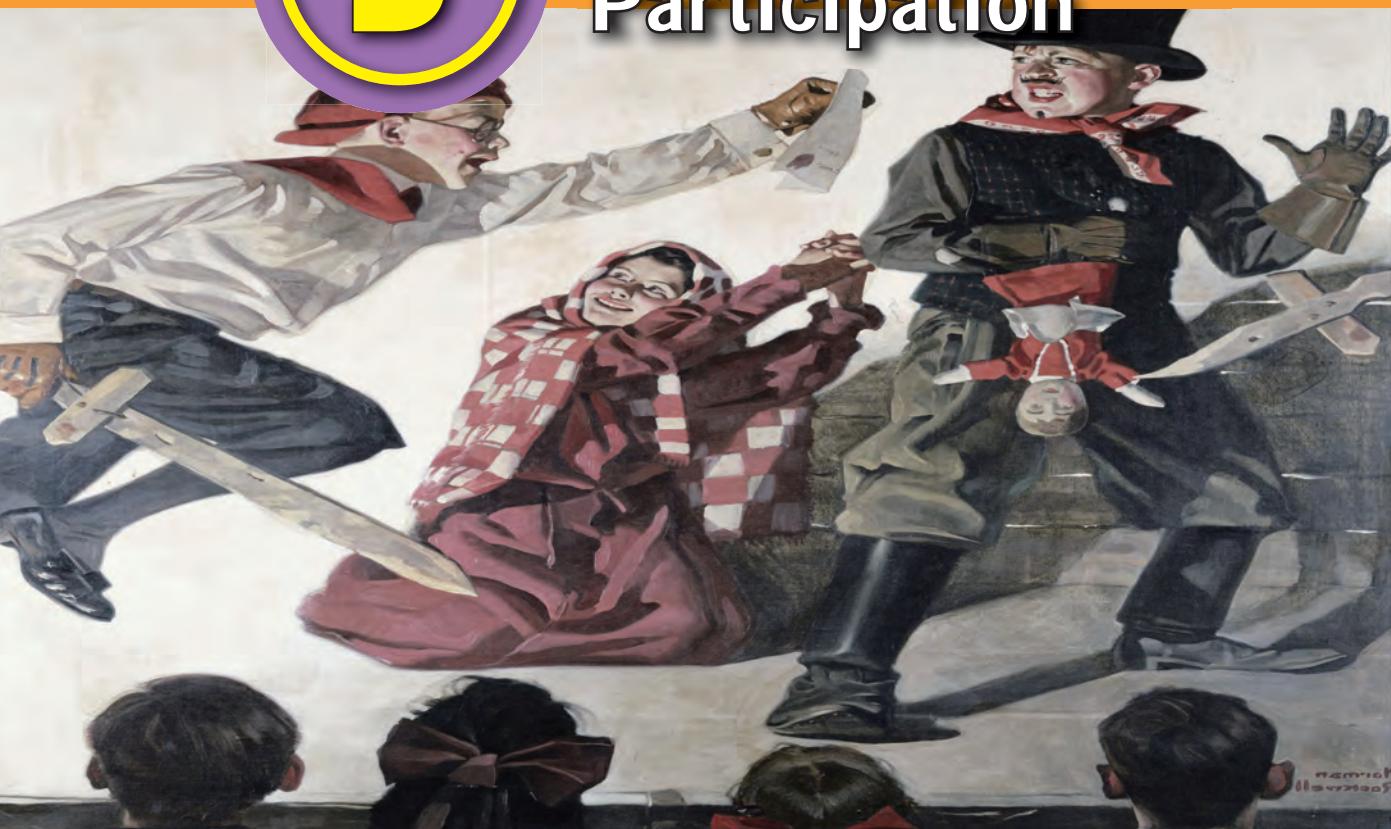
There was a young lady of Niger  
Who smiled as she rode on a tiger:  
They came back from the ride  
With the lady inside  
And the smile on the face of the tiger.



# UNIT

# 5

# Appreciation and Participation



## HIGHLIGHTS

### TOPIC AREAS

Beijing opera  
Local operas  
Drama

### FUNCTIONS

Talking about the facial make-up and roles in Beijing opera  
Talking about local operas in China  
Talking about theatres and playwrights

### STRUCTURES

Adverbial clause (Revision 2)  
Clauses of comparison, purpose, result and concession  
Gerund as object

### CHAT ROOM

Dialogue 1 A family of Chinese opera fans  
Dialogue 2 *Phantom of the Opera* is on stage

### PROGRAMME

Item 1 Beijing opera  
Item 2 What are musicals?

1

Listen and try to fill in the blanks.

**A:** I wonder if you know anything about the facial make-up in Beijing opera?

**B:** I bet you there is nothing I don't know.

**A:** Ha! Actions speak louder than words. Can you help me complete the following chart?

**B:** No problem.

In Beijing opera, a red face goes to \_\_\_\_\_;  
 a reddish purple face goes to \_\_\_\_\_;  
 a black face goes to \_\_\_\_\_,  
 and a white face goes to \_\_\_\_\_.

2

Listen and practise. Then check your answers in exercise 1.

**A:** Guan Yu has a red face. What does it show?

**B:** It shows a brave, upright and loyal character.



Who	Lian Po	Zhang Fei / Bao Gong	Cao Cao
Make-up	a reddish purple face	a black face	a white face
Character	just and noble	rough and bold	powerful and cunning

3

Listen and repeat.

(1) **A:** Do you often go to the opera?

**B:** Yes. I go to the Beijing opera once a week.

**A:** You're an opera fan!

**B:** Well, I prefer Beijing opera to other operas.

- (2) **A:** What's on here in the theatre today?  
**B:** I am not sure. There was a Shaoxing opera last night.  
**A:** Shaoxing opera? My Chinese teacher recommended it in class.  
**B:** Any specific operas were recommended?  
**A:** *The Butterfly Lovers* and *Madame White Snake*.  
**B:** Don't be disappointed. They will be put on soon.
- (3) (A and B are looking at some posters of Chinese operas at the entrance of a theatre.)  
**A:** *The Fairy and the Peasant* — A Huangmei opera will be on here this weekend.  
**B:** Yeah! I heard of it, but is Huangmei opera as interesting as Beijing opera?  
**A:** It is popular in Anhui Province. And *The Fairy And the Peasant* is widely known.  
**B:** I see. Any other operas worth knowing?  
**A:** *A Girl Joining the Army*. It is a local opera in Henan Province.

## 4

## Listen and learn.

- (1) **A:** I'm reading *Romeo and Juliet*.  
**B:** Yes, it was by the famous playwright Shakespeare.  
**A:** Oh, you have read it before?  
**B:** Sure. And I have watched the play as well.
- (2) **A:** Have you read *A Midsummer Night's Dream*?  
**B:** Yes. And *Twelfth Night*, too. What about you?  
**A:** To tell you the truth, besides what we mentioned, I have also read *The Merchant of Venice*, *The Tempest*, *Hamlet* and *King Lear*.  
**B:** So that's why your English is so good and you know so much about drama.  
**A:** I enjoy reading the works by Shakespeare.  
**B:** So do I. But I like his comedies better than his tragedies.  
**A:** I believe his tragedies have the same beauty as his comedies.

**5** Look and say.

**Example:**

**A:** Which is longer, the red pencil or the blue one?

**B:** The red pencil is longer than the blue one.

**A:** Which is shorter?

**B:** The blue pencil is shorter than the red one.

thick / thin

big / small

fast / slow

early / late

**6**

Listen and review.

(1) They set out early **so that** they may arrive at the station in good time.

Speak clearly **so that** they may understand you.

I'll show you **so that** you can see how to do it.

(2) He was **so** young **that** you must excuse him.

My mother lives **so** far away **that** we hardly ever see her.

They were **so** tired **that** they couldn't go any further.

(3) **Although** she was ill, she worked hard.

He decided to go **although** I asked him not to.

**7**

Listen and practise.

**A:** Jack, I hear that you've moved to the suburbs.

**B:** Yes, I have.

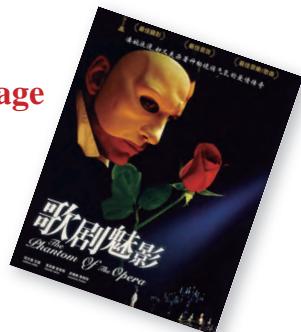
**A:** Why?

**B:** Well, I was bored with living in the city proper.

tired of	hear the city noise
sick of	get stuck in a traffic jam
annoyed at	see crowds of people everywhere

**Dialogue 1*****A family of Chinese opera fans***

- A:** Will you please do me a favour?
- B:** Sure.
- A:** My friend, Mr Smith, is keen on Beijing opera. And a performance of Beijing opera, *Picking Up a Jade Bracelet*, is on at 8:00 pm in the Central Theatre tonight.
- B:** OK. What can I do for you then?
- A:** I wonder if you can accompany him there.
- B:** Oh! It's my pleasure. I'm just looking forward to seeing the opera myself.
- A:** I know you're an opera fan. You see, Mr Smith is an expert on Beijing opera.
- B:** Really?
- A:** Yes. But he wants to know more about other Chinese operas.
- B:** That's where I am. You see, my granny is an expert on Henan opera; my grandpa is a Beijing opera singer; my uncle learned to sing Huangmei opera; and what's more, my wife used to be an actress in Shanghai Opera Troupe. Don't you think I'm from a family of Chinese opera fans?
- A:** That's why I've singled you out to go to the theatre with Mr Smith. It's a go then?
- B:** It's a deal.

**Dialogue 2*****The Phantom of the Opera* is on stage**

- A:** Paul, we haven't gone out for over a month! Let's go somewhere this weekend.
- B:** Fine. We may see movies or go to the theatre.
- A:** Look in the newspaper to get some idea.
- B:** *The Phantom of the Opera* is on stage this week.
- A:** It is simply the best musical ever made. It's been a long time since I last saw it.
- B:** Is it a romance?
- A:** Yes, the most "haunting romance" of all time. It's written by the famous composer Andrew Lloyd Webber. It is generally considered one of his greatest works after *Cats*.
- B:** Really? Why not go and appreciate it a second time?
- A:** OK! I will call the box office right away.

**Item 1*****Beijing opera***

- 1**  Listen and do the spot dictation.

- (1) Beijing opera dates back to the year \_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) That year, \_\_\_\_\_ local opera troupes of Anhui Province came to Beijing.
- (3) The tour was a hit, and the troupes \_\_\_\_\_.
- (4) The artists picked out the tunes of the \_\_\_\_\_ local opera and drew on the best of Kun Qu, Qin Qiang, \_\_\_\_\_ and other local operas.
- (5) The different \_\_\_\_\_ of faces represent different characters.
- (6) “Sheng, Dan, Jing, Chou” are the terms for four different types of \_\_\_\_\_.

- 2**  Listen again and answer the following questions.

- (1) How many troupes from Anhui Province came to Beijing in 1790?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Was the performance tour successful?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Did the artists pick out the tunes of the Hubei local opera as the basis for Beijing opera?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Do different colours stand for different characters in Beijing opera?  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 3** Read the text and check your answers.

Beijing opera dates back to the year 1790. That year, four local opera troupes of Anhui Province came to Beijing on a performance tour by order of the imperial court. The tour was a hit, and the troupes stayed. The artists picked out the tunes of the Hubei local opera and drew on the best of Kun Qu, Qin Qiang, Bang Zi and other local operas.

**The Facial Make-Up**

The performers' faces are painted like masks. The different colours of faces represent different characters. Red is for loyalty and courage. A typical red face is Guan Yu, a general of the period of the Three Kingdoms

(220–280). He is well-known for his faithfulness to his Emperor, Liu Bei. The reddish purple face likewise shows a just and noble character — Lian Po, for instance. In the well-known play *Jiang Xiang He*, General Lian was proud and he quarrelled with the chief minister to whom he was finally reconciled. The black face indicates a rough and bold character. A good example is Bao Gong, a fearless and impartial judge of the Song Dynasty. White is for a trickster. A typical character is Cao Cao, a powerful and cruel prime minister in the time of the Three Kingdoms.

#### Four Types of Roles

“Sheng, Dan, Jing, Chou” are the terms for four different types of roles. “Sheng” is a positive male role,



“Dan” is a positive female role, “Jing” is a supporting male role with a striking character and “Chou” is the clown. Every type has its facial make-up and costume.

## 4

#### Pair work.

The following dialogue is based on the text. Practise it in pairs.

(Back from watching a performance of Beijing opera.)

- A: How do you find the opera today, Mr Taylor?
- B: Absolutely good. I adore Beijing opera. I wonder when Beijing opera came into being.
- A: Beijing opera dates back to the year 1790. That year, four local opera troupes of Anhui Province came to Beijing on a performance tour for Emperor Qianlong. The tour was quite a hit and the troupes stayed. The artists picked out the tunes of the Hubei local opera, combined them with the best of several other local operas and created a new opera—Beijing opera.
- B: I see. But what are so-called “Sheng, Dan, Jing, Chou”?
- A: “Sheng, Dan, Jing, Chou” are just terms for four different types of roles. “Sheng” is a positive male role, “Dan” is a positive female role, “Jing” is a supporting male role with a striking character and “Chou” is the clown. Each type has its own facial make-up and costume.
- B: In addition, what is special about the facial make-up?
- A: The facial make-up is painted like masks; different colours of faces represent different characters. For example, yellow and white represent cunning,

red stands for uprightness and loyalty, black means valour and wisdom, and so on.

B: That's interesting. I believe Beijing opera makes up an important part of Chinese culture.

## 5

**Discussion.**

- (1) Are you fond of Chinese local operas? How many local operas do you know? What's your favourite?
- (2) How much do you know about Kun Qu, Qin Qiang, Bang Zi or any other local operas?

**Item 2*****What are musicals?***

## 1

Look and match.



- (1) The Phantom of the Opera (《歌剧魅影》)
- (2) Cats (《猫》)
- (3) Les Misérables (《悲惨世界》)
- (4) A Chorus Line (《歌舞线上》)
- (5) The Sound of Music (《音乐之声》)

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_\_

## 2

Listen and do the spot dictation.

- (1) Musicals have a long and rich \_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) The three main components of a musical are the \_\_\_\_\_, the lyrics, and the book.

- (3) Because of their long runs on Broadway, most of them are still being \_\_\_\_\_ today.
- (4) Musicals today are typically presented in two \_\_\_\_\_, with one intermission of ten to twenty minutes.
- (5) Beginners should learn the musical's story before going to see the performance \_\_\_\_\_.
- (6) A musical often opens with a \_\_\_\_\_ that sets the tone of the show, introduces some or all of the major \_\_\_\_\_, and shows the setting of the play.

3

Read the text and answer the questions.

Musicals have a long and rich history. From local theaters to Broadway shows to films and TV musicals, there is plenty to enjoy. But if music and acting are something you love, I'm sure you are already into musicals and have seen several.

Musicals have always been a very important part of human culture, so they are still a beautiful and important part of life today. The three main components of a musical are the music, the lyrics, and the book.

The most famous musicals in the world are *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Cats*, *Les Misérables*, *A Chorus Line* and *The Sound of Music*. Because of their long runs on Broadway, most of them are still being performed today.

The lengths of most musicals are from one and a half hours to three hours. Musicals today are typically presented in two acts, with one intermission of ten to twenty minutes.

Appreciating musicals is often something that takes time. Beginners should learn the musical's story before going to see the performance live. The reason for this is that many musicals might seem disjointed or confusing if someone does not know the story beforehand.

A musical often opens with a song that sets the tone of the show, introduces some or all of the major characters, and shows the setting of the play. Music provides a means of expressing emotion. However, typically, fewer words are sung in a five-minute song than are spoken in a five-minute dialogue.

If you love music, and if you love acting, why not try musicals?

- (1) Where can you appreciate musicals?
- (2) What's the length of most musicals?
- (3) Why should beginners learn a musical's story before seeing it?

**4**

Match the words with the definitions.

**A**

- (1) component
- (2) intermission
- (3) disjointed
- (4) setting

**B**

- a. the place or time that the action of a book, film happens
- b. being not well connected or not arranged in a reasonable order
- c. one of several parts that together make up a whole system
- d. a short period of time between the parts of a play, concert

**5**

### **Discussion.**

- (1) Are you fond of musicals? How many musicals do you know? What's your favourite?
- (2) If you have a chance to appreciate a musical on Broadway, which musical do you want to see the most? What preparations should you make before you see it?

**Box 1**

as...as...	Tom is as tall as I (am).
	Tom works as hard as Sue (does).
not as...as...	Peter is not as healthy as Tom (is).
	Peter doesn't run as fast as Tom (does).
not so...as...	Sue is not so active as Mary (is).
	Sue doesn't speak so fast as Mary (does).

**Box 2**

...than...	Jim is smarter than John.
	Jim goes fishing more often than John.

**4**

## Message Box

### Box 3

Let's get ready now **so that** we can leave when Father comes.

They arrived early **in order that** they might get a good seat.

My train was late **so that** I could not come sooner.

He was **so** excited **that** he could not speak.

### Box 4

She went out **although** it was raining.

It was raining, **but** she still went out.

### Box 5

My dad goes cycling every day.

I enjoy playing music.

You can't avoid breathing polluted air in big cities.

Have you finished brushing your teeth?

Stop talking to Mary, will you?

Would you mind opening the window?

I suggest going to the theatre.

**5**

## Data Bank

Here are some of the best known comedies and tragedies by William Shakespeare. Classify them in the right box and talk about them as much as possible.

- |                                       |                      |                                   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (1) <i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>  | (2) <i>King Lear</i> | (3) <i>The Merchant of Venice</i> |
| (4) <i>All's Well That Ends Well</i>  | (5) <i>Hamlet</i>    | (6) <i>Romeo and Juliet</i>       |
| (7) <i>The Merry Wives of Windsor</i> | (8) <i>Othello</i>   | (9) <i>Much Ado About Nothing</i> |
| (10) <i>Macbeth</i>                   |                      |                                   |

Comedy	
Tragedy	

**1 Oral Presentation**

Introduce Beijing opera briefly, including:

- (1) its history;
- (2) Sheng, Dan, Jing, Chou;
- (3) The facial make-up.

**2 Survey**

Ask what different groups think of different art forms.

	Boys (%)	Girls (%)	Old (%)	Young (%)
Beijing opera				
Modern drama				
Musicals				
Opera				
Ballet				
Films				

**3 Problem Solving**

The ancient Chinese invented the compass and the wheelbarrow, as well as silk, paper, porcelain, and currency. They also gave us gunpowder, fireworks, and kites. Look around your own home and find things that you and your family are now using and which can be traced back to ancient China. Explain them to the class.

**4 Topic Discussion**

How can Beijing opera attract more and more young audiences?

In ancient China, educated men and women practised many arts. The arts of painting, poetry and calligraphy were called the “Three Perfections.” All the three arts use a brush, so they are often combined in one piece of art.

The ancient Chinese were also famous for porcelain making. Porcelain is thin china made from clay. For hundreds of years, the Chinese kept how to make porcelain a secret. Today, many factories make porcelain plates and other objects to sell throughout the world.

Today the arts are still popular in China. Two of the most popular art forms are acrobatics and Beijing opera.

Opera often tells of famous events. In Beijing opera, the performers wear fancy costumes and their faces are painted like masks. Different colours of faces stand for different characters. Red denotes uprightness and loyalty, white represents evil or crafty characters, and black is given to characters of soundness and integrity.

### 1 A matching game.



- C (1) It tastes like fire; it tastes as if it might burn your stomach away.
- C (2) It feels hard and cold; it feels like a wet stone.
- C (3) They smell horrible! They smell as if they had been used to keep cheese in for twenty years.
- B (4) It sounds exciting. It sounds like waves on a beach. It sounds as though it could lift you up and carry you away.
- E (5) He looks as if he has been running; he looks hot and sweaty.
- F (6) She looks old and weak. She looks as though a breath of wind would blow her over.

2

 A poem.

### The months

January brings the snow,  
    Makes our feet and fingers glow.  
February brings the rain,  
    Thaws the frozen lake again.  
March brings breezes loud and shrill,  
    Stirs the dancing daffodil.  
April brings the primrose sweet,  
    Scatters daises at our feet.  
May brings flocks of pretty lambs,  
    Skipping by their fleecy dams.  
June brings tulips, lilies, roses,  
    Fills the children's hands with posies.  
Hot July brings cooling showers,  
    Apricots and gillyflowers.  
August brings the sheaves of corn,  
    Then the harvest home is borne.  
Warm September brings the fruit,  
    Sportsmen then begin to shoot.  
Fresh October brings the pheasant,  
    Then to gather nuts is pleasant.  
Dull November brings the blast,  
    Then the leaves are whirling fast.  
Chill December brings the sleet,  
    Blazing fire, and Christmas treat.



# UNIT

# 6

# News and the Media



## HIGHLIGHTS

### TOPIC AREAS

Newspapers, television and radio  
Newspaper headlines and other pages  
News stories and reports  
News agencies and newspapermen

### FUNCTIONS

Talking about newspapers, radio and television  
Making plans  
Likes and dislikes

### STRUCTURES

*it* used to refer to time, weather and distance  
*it* used as subject in form  
*it* used as object in form  
Agreement of subject and predicative verb

### CHAT ROOM

Dialogue 1 Do you often read a newspaper?  
Dialogue 2 I listen to the radio a lot

### PROGRAMME

Item 1 The latest news  
Item 2 News agencies

## 1

# Getting Started

1

 Listen and say.

(1) **A:** It is said that the Olympic Games will be held in Rio de Janeiro in 2016.

**B:** Where did you get the news?

**A:** I got it from *China Daily*.



the radio



newspapers



TV



the Internet

(2) **A:** Did you read the news carefully?

**B:** No, I didn't read the whole paper. I just glanced at the headlines/front page/sport page.

(3) **A:** What's your brother-in-law?

**B:** He is a reporter/an editor/a feature writer on the staff of *The New York Times*.

(4) Read the headlines and guess what news stories they are about.

A. HOSPITAL WARDS TO BE CLOSED

B. Scientists discover AIDS vaccine

C. 2,000 new homes to be built

D. Pop star mysteriously disappears

E. 1,000 HECTARES LOST IN FIRE

F. Car plant will create about 1,000 jobs

A. \_\_\_\_\_

D. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

E. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

F. \_\_\_\_\_

**1**

# Getting Started

**2**

Headphones Listen and practise.

**A:** What are you reading?

**B:** I am reading a daily newspaper.

**A:** Do you like it?

**B:** Oh, yes. I find it interesting to read daily newspapers.

**A:** Do you like reading newspapers?

**B:** No, I don't. I prefer magazines.

to read news online  
to read fashion magazines  
to watch television news bulletins  
to listen to weather reports on the radio

**3**

Headphones Listen and change the following into sentences beginning with *it* as shown in the example.

**Example:**

Reading newspapers in English is difficult. →

It is difficult to read newspapers in English.

important to read magazines in English  
interesting to listen to VOA  
enjoyable to listen to BBC  
a good idea to watch CCTV English channels

**4**

Headphones Listen and practise.

**A:** How long did it take you to look up the information on the Internet?

**B:** About two hours.

to finish reading that copy of *The Times*  
to download the song  
to set up the website

5

 Listen and say.

**A:** Will you come to our English party tomorrow?

**B:** I'm afraid I can't.

**A:** It's a pity that you can't come to our English party.

register on Sina Twitter  
come to fix my TV set  
update your computer system

6

 Listen and learn.

**A:** Who is coming to your birthday party?

**B:** Either my classmates or the teacher is coming.

**Either** the teacher **or** my classmates **are** coming.  
**Both** the teacher **and** my classmates **are** coming.  
**Not only** my classmates **but also** the teacher **is** coming.  
The teacher, **as well as** my classmates, **is** coming.  
The teacher, **together with** the students, **is** coming.

7

## Read and learn.

**A:** Tell me something about your class, please.

**B:** Well, my class is a big class...

The number of the students in my class is 50.  
A number of students in my class are from abroad.  
Half of the students in my class are from Shanghai.  
A quarter of the class are girls.

**Dialogue 1*****Do you often read a newspaper?***

- A: Do you often read a newspaper?  
 B: Yes, I do.  
 A: What kind of newspaper do you read regularly?  
 B: A daily newspaper. But the size of the daily paper surprises me.  
 A: Do you try to read the whole paper?  
 B: No, I don't. I just read the parts that interest me.  
 A: What are you interested in?  
 B: I glance at the headlines, but I read the sport page and the business section carefully. Do you read those pages?  
 A: No, I'm not very interested in sport or business, but I read the editorials and the news section.  
 B: So we can share a newspaper. You can look at the editorials and the news section while I look at the sport page and the business section.

**Dialogue 2*****I listen to the radio a lot***

- A: I just bought a new radio. Do you have one?  
 B: Oh yes, I've got one. Listening to the radio is very enjoyable, isn't it?  
 A: Yes, it is enjoyable.  
 B: I listen to the radio a lot. What about you?  
 A: I often listen to it the moment the stations come on the air until they sign off. Do you listen to the radio in the morning?  
 B: Yes, I turn it on first thing every morning. I have my breakfast while listening to the news. I keep it on until I leave the house.  
 A: Do you listen to the radio in the evening?  
 B: Yes, I do. When I get home in the evening, I turn it on again. I find it so relaxing to have that noise in the background. And then I hear the news at the end of the day. So I don't miss out on anything all day long.  
 A: Do you listen to the radio the whole evening, too?  
 B: Well, I turn it off at about ten past seven, because I'm not interested in the programmes after that.  
 A: By the way, what's your job now?  
 B: I am a teacher, a teacher of politics.  
 A: So it's very important for you to keep up with the news every day, isn't it?  
 B: Yes, that's right.

**Item 1****The latest news**

- 1**  Listen to the news and match the following headlines with the news.

- a. **Little Star may have a big future** ( )
- b. **Overtime added by smartphones** ( )
- c. **A cat survives after going through a washing machine cycle** ( )
- d. **Listen to your body** ( )
- e. **Drinking coffee may increase risk of heart disease** ( )
- f. **A robbery of boxes of left shoes in a footwear shop** ( )

- 2** Read the news and check your answers for exercise 1.

(1) New research suggests that drinking coffee may increase the risk of heart disease and strokes. Scientists at Sussex University have found that both filtered and unfiltered coffee can cause a risk to health, and not simply unfiltered coffee, as previously believed.



(2) Armed robbers who broke into a footwear shop in Manchester last night got away with a haul of boxes containing only left shoes. The owner of the shop explained that the right shoes were out on display at the time.

(3) According to a recent report on the website of *The Wall Street Journal*, a growing number of research suggests that we should pay more attention to our body clock when we make daily plans. Our body clock, or natural body rhythm, influences our energy and alertness. Paying attention to it can help us find the different times of day when we best perform specific tasks — from thinking creatively to exercising.

(4) A pet cat has survived after going through a complete washing cycle in an automatic washing machine. The cat's owner said he didn't realize that the cat was in the machine when he loaded it up before going to work. It is reported that the cat was dazed but unharmed. According to the owner, it is now making a full recovery and is cleaner than ever before.



(5) Smartphones may allow you to surf the Internet, listen to music and snap photos wherever you are, but they also turn you into a workaholic. A study suggests that, by giving you access to e-mails at all times, the all-singing, all-dancing mobile phone adds as much as two hours to your working day.

(6) Bibobox's 30-page interactive storybook *Little Star* won the Student Developer Award at Apple's Worldwide Developers Conference (WWDC), held June 11–15 in San Francisco, US. The team behind *Little Star* is made up of five students and two teachers from Dalian Nationalities University. It's the first time that a Chinese team has won a prize at the annual Apple Design Awards, since the awards began in 1996.

3

Make up stories based on the news about the armed robbery and the pet cat.

4

Write a piece of news about international school life for your school newspaper.

## Item 2

### News agencies

1



Listen and tick off things which are not mentioned in the text.

- |       |                    |                |                 |              |
|-------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| _____ | (1) A. radio       | B. TV          | C. magazine     | D. newspaper |
| _____ | (2) A. Reuters     | B. CNN         | C. BBC          | D. VOA       |
| _____ | (3) A. journalists | B. politicians | C. sailors      | D. farmers   |
| _____ | (4) A. cell phone  | B. website     | C. the Internet | D. e-mail    |

2

Read the text and fill in the blanks.

How do you know what is happening in the world every day? Do you watch news programmes on television? Or do you read a newspaper or listen to the radio? There are organizations called news agencies that gather the news so that we read and hear about events quickly.

News agencies usually have a main office in a capital city and small offices in other capital cities around the world. Many journalists are employed in each office and they gather information in the country, and in other countries nearby. Then the journalists write out news stories and place them on the agency's website. You can log on to it if you have a computer and use the Internet.

News agencies try to be quick, fair and accurate when they gather news stories. It is important that the news stories are accurate. If the news is not true, it will be worthless. And people like to know about important news stories, especially those with pictures.

The oldest news agency in the world is Reuters — it was founded in 1851. Their work has changed a lot, especially since e-mail and the Internet began to be used. They also provide news for people flying on airplanes, so even in the air you can know what is happening many thousands of metres below on the Earth! The company has built a reputation for high quality financial information and for being first to report on high-profile world events. It became a public company in 1984 and in 2008, it merged with Canada's Thomson Corp to become Thomson Reuters. Its website says: "Reuters is the world's leading source of intelligent information for businesses and professionals."



Another news organization CNN (Cable News Network) employs thousands of journalists around the world and their website is updated many times every day. This means that the latest news is always available. People can send their comments on the news by e-mail to CNN. The CNN website also has detailed weather news which is useful for sailors or farmers, for example.

The BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) operates television and national and local radio stations, as well as a content-based website. BBC ONE is the primary television channel of the BBC. It was launched on 2 November, 1936 as the BBC Television Service, and was the world's first regular public television service with a high level of image resolution.

Apart from the above world-famous newsgathering organizations, there are many others in the world. Do you know the names of any different ones?

- (1) Organizations that gather news are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) People who gather news for a news agency are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) News agencies have to make sure their news is \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- (4) Now we get to know what is happening in the world on TV, on the radio, in newspapers or on the agency's \_\_\_\_\_.
- (5) It is important for news agencies to give people \_\_\_\_\_ news. If the news is not true, it will be \_\_\_\_\_.
- (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (whose main office is in London) is the oldest news agency in the world. It was founded in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (7) The journalists of CNN (whose main office is in Atlanta) \_\_\_\_\_ their website many times every day, so people can get the \_\_\_\_\_ news on their news website at any time. You can also send your \_\_\_\_\_ on the news by \_\_\_\_\_ to CNN.
- (8) The BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) owns \_\_\_\_\_ stations, \_\_\_\_\_ stations, and a \_\_\_\_\_. It created the world's first \_\_\_\_\_ public television service with a high \_\_\_\_\_ of image resolution.

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Retell paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 with the help of the notes below.

(1)  **REUTERS**

- a. was founded in 1851;
- b. provides news for people on planes;
- c. has built a reputation;
- d. merged with Canada's Thomson Corp in 2008.

(2)  **CNN**

- a. employs thousands of journalists;
- b. updates its website many times a day;
- c. receives people's comments by e-mail;
- d. has detailed weather news.

(3)  **BBC**

- a. operates television and national and local radio stations, as well as a content-based website;
- b. started the world's first regular public television service with a high level of image resolution.

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**Presentation.**

A news agency is an organization which provides reports for newspapers, magazines and broadcasters.

**Box 1**

- It's half past ten.
- It's Sunday today.
- It's October 1, 2004.
- It's a nice day.
- It's fine (sunny, cloudy, windy...) today.
- It's cold (hot, warm...) today.
- It's two kilometres from my home to the school.
- It's a two-hour drive from Tianjin to Beijing.

**Box 2**

- It's difficult for me to read English newspapers now.
- It's my job to clean the room.
- It's very kind of you to say so.
- It's of great importance to plant trees in cities.
- It takes me two hours to do my homework every day.
- It's no use crying over spilt milk.

**Box 3**

- It's clear that he won't come today.
- It seems that no one knows anything about the news.
- It's known to all that the Olympic Games were held in China in 2008.

**Box 4**

- I find it difficult to learn maths well.
- I find it a pleasure to work with him.
- Do you think it easy to finish the work within one day?
- I think it no use doing such work here.

**Box 5**

Every boy and every girl in my class is going to give me a birthday present.

Either the students or the teacher is coming to my birthday party.

Neither the students nor the teacher is coming to my birthday party.

Not only the students but also the teacher is coming to my birthday party.

Both the students and the teacher are coming to my birthday party.

The teacher, as well as the students, is coming to my birthday party.

Neither of the students is (or are) coming to the party.

Neither he nor I am going to his birthday party.

**Box 6**

Class One is larger than Class Two.

Class One are all out in the playground.

The school is very beautiful.

The whole school are all very excited at the news.

The police are discussing the case.

The policemen are discussing the case.

**Box 7**

The news is very exciting.

Politics is my favourite subject.

Mathematics is very important.

**Box 8**

The number of students in my class is 50.

A number of students are coming to my birthday party.

Half of the students are coming to my birthday party.

Three quarters of the surface of the Earth is covered by sea.

Ten dollars is a big sum of money for me.

Ten minutes is given for a break between two classes.

**1** Some famous newspapers in the UK.

- |                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| (1) <i>Daily Express</i> 《每日快报》   | (2) <i>Daily Mail</i> 《每日邮报》           |
| (3) <i>The Mirror</i> 《镜报》        | (4) <i>The Daily Telegraph</i> 《每日电讯报》 |
| (5) <i>Financial Times</i> 《金融时报》 | (6) <i>The Guardian</i> 《卫报》           |
| (7) <i>The Independent</i> 《独立报》  | (8) <i>The Observer</i> 《观察家报》         |
| (9) <i>The Sun</i> 《太阳报》          | (10) <i>The Times</i> 《泰晤士报》           |

**2** Some famous newspapers and magazines in the USA.

- (1) *The Wall Street Journal* 《华尔街日报》
- (2) *The Washington Post* 《华盛顿邮报》
- (3) *The New York Times* 《纽约时报》
- (4) *USA Today* 《今日美国》
- (5) *US News & World Report* 《美国新闻与世界报道》
- (6) *The Boston Globe* 《波士顿环球报》
- (7) *Los Angeles Times* 《洛杉矶时报》
- (8) *San Francisco Chronicle* 《圣弗朗西斯科纪事报》
- (9) *Baltimore Sun* 《巴尔的摩太阳报》

**3** Some well-known radio and TV stations and news agencies in the world.

- (1) China Radio International 中国国际广播电台
- (2) CCTV 中国中央电视台
- (3) Xinhua News Agency 新华通讯社
- (4) BBC 英国广播公司
- (5) AFP 法国新闻社
- (6) Reuters 路透社

**1** Oral Presentation

- (1) Tell a news story. (The story may have happened at your school or in your city.)
- (2) Make some comments on the news story.

**2 Pair Work—News Gathering**

Student A acts as a journalist and Student B acts as a witness of a traffic accident: Make a dialogue to give more information about the accident.

**3 Topic Discussion**

- (1) How important is it for news agencies to give readers or listeners accurate news stories?
- (2) How do you get news, from TV, newspapers or the radio? Why?

**4 Role Play**

Act out a news conference. One student plays the role of a government spokesman and makes a statement. The other students are reporters. They ask the spokesman questions. The latter answers.

**5 Internet Surfing**

Go online and find information about Xinhua News Agency, including:

- (1) when it started;
- (2) its main office;
- (3) its offices around the world;
- (4) its journalists, reporters and editors;
- (5) the news it provides.



The American humorist, Will Rogers, used to say, "All I know is what I read in the newspapers." This was an exaggeration for humorous purposes, but it is true that newspapers are an important source of information. Many people begin their day by reading the paper. In this way they learn what is going on in the world. Sometimes, however, they don't have time to read the news carefully and must be satisfied with a quick look at the front page; at other times they may be in such a hurry that they have time only to glance at the headlines.

There are newspapers to satisfy every reader. In the big cities there are many types of papers, with several sections, especially on Sundays when the edition is larger than usual. There are, in addition to the front page with the most important news, the sport section, the society page, the comics, the amusement section, a business page, and the editorials.

**1** Tongue twisters.

- (1) Two timid toads trying to tickle twelve trout
- (2) Flesh of fresh frying fish
- (3) Eleven enormous elephants elegantly eating Easter eggs
- (4) Glen's twin sisters sing tasteful tongue twisters.
- (5) Who washed Washington's woolen winter underwear when Washington's wonderful washerwomen went west?

**2** A poem.**The optimist**

— D.H. Lawrence

The optimist builds himself safe inside a cell  
And paints the inside walls sky-blue  
And blocks up the door  
And says he's in heaven.



# Words and Expressions in Each Unit

[注：标Δ单词为《义务教育英语课程标准》（2011年版）“五级词汇表”中的单词]

## Unit 1

### Getting Started

section /'sekʃən/ *n.* 部分；区  
deposit /dɪ'pɒzɪt/ *n.* 沉淀物；矿藏  
ore /ɔɪ/ *n.* 矿石  
petroleum /pɪ'trʊliəm/ *n.* 石油  
lumbering /'lʌmbərɪŋ/ *n.* 〈美〉木材业  
mild /maɪld/ *adj.* 温和的  
humid /'hju:mɪd/ *adj.* 潮湿的  
Δ mountainous /'maʊntɪnəs/ *adj.* 多山的  
Δ hilly /'hɪli/ *adj.* 多坡的  
Δ mistaken /mɪ'steɪkən/ *adj.* 犯错的，错误的  
manufacturing /mæn'fæktʃərɪŋ/ *n.* 制造业  
judgement /'dʒʌdʒmənt/ *n.* 看法，评价  
recommendation /,rekə'men'deɪʃən/ *n.* 推荐，建议

### Chat Room

#### Dialogue 1

derive /drɪ'rərv/ *v.* 追溯……的起源（或来由）  
aboriginal /æbə'rɪdʒɪnəl/ *adj.* 土著的  
majority /mə'dʒɔrɪti/ *n.* 多数，大半  
concentrate /'kɒnsəntreɪt/ *v.* 集中  
province /'prəvɪns/ *n.* 省  
federation /,fedə'reɪʃən/ *n.* 同盟；联邦  
Ottawa /'ɒtəwə/ 渥太华（加拿大首都）  
Toronto /tə'rɒntəʊ/ 多伦多（加拿大城市）  
Montreal /,mɔntrɪ'lɔ:/ 蒙特利尔（加拿大城市）  
Vancouver /væn'ku:və/ 温哥华（加拿大城市）  
range /reɪndʒ/ *v.* （在一定范围内）变化  
temperate /'tempərɪt/ *adj.* （气候等）温带的；温和的  
continental /kɒntrɪ'nentl/ *adj.* 大陆性（气候）  
arctic /'ɑ:kٹɪk/ *adj.* 极冷的，严寒的

bilingual /baɪ'lɪŋgwəl/ *adj.* 能说两种语言的

#### Dialogue 2

Chicago /'ʃɪ:kæ:gəʊ/ 芝加哥（美国城市）  
Illinois /'ɪlɪ'nɔɪs/ 伊利诺伊州（美国州名）  
noted /'nəʊtɪd/ *adj.* 著名的  
Δ industrial /ɪn'dʌstriəl/ *adj.* 工业的  
metropolitan /,metrə'pɒlɪtən/ *adj.* 大城市的，大都市的  
census /'sensəs/ *n.* 人口普查

#### Programme

##### Item 1

Δ mainland /'meɪnlənd/ *adj.* 大陆的  
settlement /'setlmənt/ *n.* 移民，殖民，殖民地的开拓  
icon /'aɪkɒn/ *n.* 偶像；崇拜对象  
Melbourne /'melbən/ 墨尔本（澳大利亚城市）  
premier /'premiə/ *adj.* 第一的，首要的  
Queensland /kwi:nzlænd/ 昆士兰州（澳大利亚州名）  
zone /zəʊn/ *n.* 地域，地区  
fringe /frɪndʒ/ *v.* （似）在……上装以缘饰  
Great Barrier /'bærɪə/ Reef /ri:f/ 大堡礁  
Brisbane /'brɪzbən/ 布里斯班（澳大利亚城市）  
Adelaide /'ædəleɪd/ 阿得雷德（澳大利亚城市）  
Perth /pɜ:θ/ 佩斯（澳大利亚城市）  
Bass Strait /bæs streɪt/ 巴斯海峡  
Tasmania /tæz'meɪniə/ 塔斯马尼亚州（澳大利亚州名）  
Hobart /'həʊbə:t/ 霍巴特（澳大利亚城市）  
Darwin /'dɑ:wɪn/ 达尔文（澳大利亚城市）  
Canberra /'kænbərə/ 堪培拉（澳大利亚首都）  
federal /'fēdərəl/ *adj.* 联邦的  
diversity /dɪ'rɪvəsɪtɪ/ *n.* 多样性

migrant /'maɪgrənt/ *n.* 移民者，移民  
Indonesian /,ɪndəʊ'ni:zɪən/ *adj.* 印度尼西亚的  
Java /'dʒɑ:və/ 爪哇（印度尼西亚岛屿）  
**Item 2**  
unspoilt /,ʌn'spoɪlt/ *adj.* 未受损害的，未受破坏的  
Maori /'maʊrɪ/ *n.* （新西兰）毛利人  
△ farmland /'fɑ:m,lænd/ *n.* 农田  
amazing /'ə'meɪzɪŋ/ *adj.* 令人惊异的  
glacier /'glæsɪə/ *n.* 冰河，冰川  
fiord /fjɔ:d/ *n.* 峡湾  
Wellington /'welɪŋtən/ 惠灵顿（新西兰首都）  
Auckland /'ɔ:klənd/ 奥克兰（新西兰城市）

## Unit 2

### Getting Started

△ mobile /'məʊbail/ *n.* phone 移动电话；手机  
gadget /'gædʒɪt/ *n.* 小器具，小配件  
investigate /ɪn'vestɪgeɪt/ *v.* 调查，研究  
log on 〈计〉登录  
palm /pa:m/ *n.* 棕榈树  
recover /rɪ'kʌvə/ *v.* 恢复  
locomotive /,ləʊkə'məutɪv/ *n.* 机车

### Chat Room

#### Dialogue 1

△ back up 电脑备份  
file /faɪl/ *n.* 文件，档案  
disk /dɪsk/ *n.* 光盘  
cursor /'kɜ:sə/ *n.* 〈计〉光标  
**Dialogue 2**  
slot /slɒt/ *n.* 狹长孔，狭缝  
stripe /straɪp/ *n.* 狹长条，带状条  
△ key in 键入  
PIN (=personal identification number) 个人密码  
withdraw /wɪð'draʊ/ *v.* 提取

### Programme

#### Item 1

organic /ɔ:g'gænɪk/ *adj.* 施用有机肥料的

△ chemical /'kemɪkəl/ *n.* 化学制品  
△ means /mi:nz/ *n.* 手段，方法  
fertilizer /'fɜ:tɪ,laɪzə/ *n.* 肥料，化肥  
manure /mə'njuə/ *n.* （动物）粪便，肥料  
compost /'kɒmpɒst/ *n.* 堆肥  
pesticide /'pestɪsaɪd/ *n.* 杀虫剂  
pest /pest/ *n.* 有害的小动物，害虫  
△ ladybug /'leɪdɪbʌg/ *n.* 飘虫  
scrape /skreɪp/ *v.* 刮，擦，挖  
**Item 2**  
clone /kləʊn/ *v.* 无性（繁殖）；克隆  
cell /sel/ *n.* 细胞  
artificially /,ɑ:tɪ'fɪʃəlɪ/ *adv.* 人工地  
announce /ə'naʊns/ *v.* 宣布，通告  
△ reinvent /,ri:ɪn'vent/ *v.* 再造  
evil /'i:vəl/ *adj.* 邪恶的  
dictator /dɪk'teɪtə/ *n.* 独裁者  
grieve /gri:v/ *v.* （尤指因别人亡故而）感到悲痛  
identical /ai'dentɪkəl/ *adj.* （完全）相同的，一模一样的  
△ physically /fɪzɪklɪ/ *adv.* 身体上地  
mentally /'mentlɪ/ *adv.* 精神上  
organ /'ɔ:gən/ *n.* 器官  
△ transplant /træns'plænt/ *n.* 移植  
preserve /prɪ'zɜ:v/ *v.* 保护，保全  
species /'spi:zɪə/ *n.* 种类  
△ headless /'hedləs/ *adj.* 无头的

## Unit 3

### Getting Started

carbon /'ka:bən/ *n.* 〈化〉碳  
dioxide /daɪ'əksaɪd/ *n.* 〈化〉二氧化物  
process /'prəʊses/ *n.* 过程，作用  
photosynthesis /fəʊtəʊ'sɪnθɪsɪs/ *n.* 〈生化〉光合作用  
release /rɪ'lɪ:s/ *v.* 释放  
△ directly /dɪ'rektlɪ/ *adv.* 直接地  
worm /wɜ:m/ *n.* 虫，蠕虫  
△ depend /dɪ'pend/ *v.* 依靠，依赖  
survive /sə'veɪv/ *v.* 生存下来；幸存

counter /'kaʊntə/ *n.* 柜台  
injure /'ɪndʒə/ *v.* 损害, 伤害  
microwave /'maɪkroʊ,weɪv/ *n.* 微波  
bulb /bʌlb/ *n.* 电灯泡; 电灯  
△ fridge /frɪdʒ/ *n.* 电冰箱  
△ poetry /'pəʊɪtri/ *n.* [总称] 诗, 诗篇  
△ make-up /'meɪk-ʌp/ *n.* 化妆品  
saucēpan /'sɔ:spən/ *n.* (有盖长柄的) 深平底锅  
camcorder /'kæm,kɔ:də/ *n.* 可携式摄像机  
carpenter /'ka:pɪntə/ *n.* 木匠  
peninsula /pɪ'nɪnsjulə/ *n.* 半岛  
△ lipstick /'lɪp,stɪk/ *n.* 口红, 唇膏  
△ sunshine /'sʌnʃain/ *n.* 阳光

#### Chat Room

##### Dialogue 1

△ colourful /'kʌləfəl/ *adj.* 富于色彩的  
tulip /'tju:lɪp/ *n.* 郁金香  
daffodil /'dæfədɪl/ *n.* 水仙花  
rockery /'rɒkəri/ *n.* 假山  
violet /'vaɪəlɪt/ *n.* 紫罗兰  
prune /pru:n/ *v.* 剪除  
hedge /hedʒ/ *n.* 树篱  
saw /sɔ:/ *n.* 锯  
shed /ʃed/ *n.* 棚, 小屋  
remove /rɪ'mu:v/ *v.* 去掉, 除去  
△ perfect /'pɜ:fɪkt/ *adj.* 完美的

##### Dialogue 2

bun /bʌn/ *n.* 小圆面包  
grind /graɪnd/ *v.* 磨, 碾  
mince /mɪns/ *n.* 绞碎的肉, 肉末; 切碎物  
survival /sə'veɪvəl/ *n.* 生存  
root /ru:t/ *n.* 根, 根部  
seed /si:d/ *n.* 种子  
stem /stɛm/ *n.* 茎, 干  
nutrient /'nju:t्रɪənt/ *n.* 营养品, 滋养物

#### Programme

##### Item 1

cracked /krækɪt/ *adj.* 碎的, 破裂的  
chlorophyll /'klɔrəfɪl/ *n.* 叶绿素  
rootlet /'ru:tlt/ *n.* 小根, 支根  
banyan /'bænjən/ *n.* [植] 印度榕树

#### Item 2

△ fly /flaɪ/ *n.* 苍蝇  
hover /'hɒvə/ *v.* 盘旋  
snap /snæp/ *n.* 劈啪声  
tightly /taɪtlɪ/ *adv.* 紧紧地  
trap /træp/ *v.* 使堕入圈套  
Venus flytrap /'vɪnəs 'flaɪtræp/ 捕蝇草  
carnivorous /ka:'nɪvərəs/ *adj.* 食肉类的  
△ sugary /'ʃʊgərɪ/ *adj.* 含糖的, 甜的  
△ delicious /dɪ'lɪʃəs/ *adj.* 美味的  
bait /beɪt/ *n.* 饵, 诱惑物  
dissolve /dɪ'zolv/ *v.* 溶解

## Unit 4

#### Getting Started

starch /stɑ:tʃ/ *n.* 淀粉  
iodine /'aɪədi:n/ *n.* [化] 碘  
solution /sə'lju:ʃən/ *n.* [化] 溶液  
expand /ɪk'spænd/ *v.* 变大, 膨胀  
container /kən'teɪnə/ *n.* 容器  
lid /lɪd/ *n.* 盖子  
experiment /ɪk'sperɪmənt/ *n.* 实验  
sink /sɪŋk/ *v.* 下沉  
bubble /'bʌbəl/ *n.* 气泡  
△ eggshell /'egʃel/ *n.* 蛋壳  
△ thin away 变薄 (直至消失)  
military service /'militəri 'sɜ:vɪs/ 兵役  
depressed /dɪ'prest/ *adj.* 感到沮丧的  
△ turn up 出现

#### Chat Room

##### Dialogue 1

moth /mɒθ/ *n.* 飞蛾; 蛾子  
larva /'la:və/ *n.* [动] 幼虫, 幼体  
pupa /'pju:pə/ *n.* [昆] 蛹  
adult /'ædʌlt/ *n.* 长成的动物

##### Dialogue 2

graveyard /'greɪvja:d/ *n.* 墓地  
beaker /'bi:kə/ *n.* 烧杯  
tweezers /'twi:zəz/ *n.* [复] 镊子  
white phosphorus /'fɒsfərəs/ 白磷  
filter /'filtə/ *n.* 滤纸

absorb /əb'sɔ:b/ *v.* 吸收

## Programme

### Item 1

nitrogen /'naɪtrədʒən/ *n.* 〈化〉 氮

identify /aɪ'dentɪfaɪ/ *v.* 鉴别, 识别

lime /laɪm/ *water* 石灰水

△ milky /'mɪlkɪ/ *adj.* 乳状的, 乳白色的

bicarbonate indicator /baɪ'kɑ:bənɪt 'ɪndɪkeɪtə/ 〈化〉 重碳酸盐指示剂

indicator /'ɪndɪkeɪtə/ *n.* 〈化〉 指示剂

△ presence /'prezəns/ *n.* 存在

△ relight /ri:'laɪt/ *v.* 重新点燃

glowing /'gləʊɪŋ/ *adj.* 白热的; 灼炽的

splint /splɪnt/ *n.* 薄木条

△ stopper /'stɒpə/ *n.* 阻塞物, 塞子

dip /dɪp/ *v.* 浸, 泡, 蘸

### Item 2

△ resting /'restɪŋ/ *adj.* 休眠的, 静止的

dormant /'dɔ:mənt/ *adj.* 休眠的; 静止的

△ remain /rɪ'meɪn/ *v.* 保持, 维持

soak /səʊk/ *v.* 浸; 泡

△ take in 吸收

drain /dreɪn/ *v.* 排去……的水

rinse /rɪns/ *v.* 用清水冲洗

interval /'ɪntəvəl/ *n.* (时间、空间上的) 间隔

sprout /sprəut/ *v.* 发芽

germinate /'dʒɜ:mɪneɪt/ *v.* 发芽; 开始发育

bud /bʌd/ *n.* (植物的) 蕊蕾

## Unit 5

### Getting Started

△ (Beijing opera) facial make-up (京剧) 脸谱

upright /'ʌprait/ *a.* 正直的

loyal /'lɔɪəl/ *a.* 忠诚的

noble /'nəubəl/ *a.* 高贵的

cunning /'kʌnɪŋ/ *a.* 狡猾的

playwright /'pleɪraɪt/ *n.* 剧作家

△ midsummer /'mid'sʌmə/ *n.* 仲夏

merchant /'mɜ:tʃənt/ *n.* 商人

tempest /'tempɪst/ *n.* 暴风雨 (或雪)

comedy /'kɒmɪdɪ/ *n.* 喜剧

tragedy /'trædʒɪdɪ/ *n.* 悲剧

## Chat Room

### Dialogue 1

accompany /ə'kʌmpnəni/ *v.* 陪伴

troupe /tru:p/ *n.* (尤指由巡回演出的演员、歌手等组成的) 团、班、队

△ single out 挑选出来

### Dialogue 2

△ musical /'mjʊ:zɪkəl/ *n.* 音乐剧

haunting /'hɔ:ntɪŋ/ *adj.* 给人以强烈感受的, 使人不安的

romance /rəʊ'mæns/ *n.* 浪漫故事, 浪漫作品

## Programme

### Item 1

△ date back to 可追溯到, 始于 (某时期)

imperial court /ɪm'pɪəriəl kɔ:t/ 王室

loyalty /'lɔɪəltɪ/ *n.* 忠诚

△ courage /'kʌrɪədʒ/ *n.* 勇气, 胆量

reconcile /'rekənsail/ *v.* 使和解, 使和好

indicate /'ɪndɪkeɪt/ *v.* 象征; 暗示

impartial /ɪm'pa:ʃəl/ *a.* 公正的

trickster /'trɪkstə/ *n.* 骗子, 狡猾的人

minister /'mɪnɪstə/ *n.* 大臣

△ supporting /sə'pɔ:tɪŋ/ *a.* 次要的

striking /'straɪkɪŋ/ *a.* 惹人注目的, 突出的

adore /ə'dɔ:/ *v.* 很喜欢

△ come into being 出现, 产生

fancy costume /'fænsɪ 'kɒstju:m/ 戏装

valour /'vælə/ *n.* 英勇

### Item 2

lyrics /'lɪrɪks/ *n.* [复] 歌词

△ run /rʌn/ *n.* (戏的) 连演

intermission /'ɪntə'mɪʃən/ *n.* 幕间休息

disjointed /dɪs'dʒɔɪntɪd/ *a.* 脱节的, 杂乱的

confusing /kən'fju:zɪŋ/ *a.* 令人费解的

△ set the tone 定下基调

△ setting /'setɪŋ/ *n.* 背景

## Unit 6

### Getting Started

glance /gla:ns/ *v.* 瞥一眼；扫视  
△ headline /'hedlайн/ *n.* 大字标题  
feature /'fi:tʃə/ writer 专栏作家  
ward /wɔ:d/ *n.* 病房  
vaccine /'væksi:n/ *n.* 疫苗  
mysteriously /mi'stəriəslɪ/ *adv.* 神秘地  
hectare /'hekta:/ *n.* 公顷  
news bulletin /'bulitn/ 新闻简报  
channel /'tʃænl/ *n.* 电视频道  
register /'redʒistə/ *v.* 注册  
Twitter /'twitə/ *n.* 推特（国外一社交网络及  
微博客服务的网站）  
△ update /ʌp'deɪt/ *v.* 更新

### Chat Room

#### Dialogue 1

△ whole /həʊl/ *adj.* 全部的；整个的  
editorial /'edi'tɔ:rɪəl/ *n.* 社论；评论

#### Dialogue 2

△ sign off (电台或电视台) 停止广播，宣布  
广播结束（尤指全天广播结束）  
△ miss out on 错失……的机会

### Programme

#### Item 1

△ suggest /sə'dʒest/ *v.* 表明  
△ risk /rɪsk/ *n.* 风险

stroke /strəʊk/ *n.* 中风  
filter /'filtə/ *v.* 过滤  
previously /'pri:vɪəslɪ/ *adv.* 先前地；以往地  
a haul /hɔ:l/ of 〈口〉一次获得（或赢得、  
赚得、偷得等）的数量  
contain /kən'tein/ *v.* 包含；含有  
rhythm /'rɪðəm/ *n.* 节奏  
alertness /ə'lɜ:tнɪs/ *n.* 反应敏捷度  
load up 装上；装入  
dazed /deɪzd/ *adj.* 眩晕的；茫然的  
workaholic /,wɜ:kə'hɒlɪk/ *n.* 工作狂  
interactive /,ɪnter'æktyv/ *adj.* 交互的，互动的  
annual /'ænjuəl/ *adj.* 一年一次的，年度的  
award /ə'wɔ:d/ *n.* 奖，奖品

#### Item 2

news agency /'eɪdʒənsɪ/ 通讯社  
△ fair /feə/ *adj.* 公正的  
accurate /'ækjʊət/ *adj.* 正确无误的  
△ worthless /'wɜ:θləs/ *adj.* 无价值的  
△ provide /prə'veɪd/ *v.* 提供  
reputation /,repju'teɪʃən/ *n.* 荣誉，声誉  
merge /mɜ:dʒ/ *v.* (使) 合并  
available /ə'veiləbəl/ *adj.* 可获得的  
comment /'kɒmment/ *n.* 评论  
apart /ə'pa:t/ from 除了

# Vocabulary Index

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## A

- a haul /hɔ:l/ of 〈口〉一次获得（或赢得、赚得、偷得等）的数量 6  
aboriginal /æbə'rɪdʒɪnəl/ adj. 土著的 1  
absorb /əb'sɔ:b/ v. 吸收 4  
accompany /ə'kʌmpəni/ v. 陪伴 5  
accurate /'ækjurət/ adj. 正确无误的 6  
Adelaide /'ædəleɪd/ 阿得雷德（澳大利亚城市） 1  
adore /ə'dɔ:/ v. 很喜欢 5  
adult /'ædʌlt/ n. 长成的动物 4  
alertness /ə'lɜ:tнs/ n. 反应敏捷度 6  
amazing /'ə'meɪzɪŋ/ adj. 令人惊异的 1  
announce /ə'nauəns/ v. 宣布，通告 2  
annual /'ænjuəl/ adj. 一年一次的，年度的 6  
apart /ə'pa:t/ from 除了 6  
arctic /'ɑ:kٹɪk/ adj. 极冷的，严寒的 1  
artificially /,ɑ:tɪ'fɪʃəlɪ/ adv. 人工地 2  
Auckland /'ɔ:klənd/ 奥克兰（新西兰城市） 1  
available /ə'veiləbəl/ adj. 可获得的 6  
award /ə'wɔ:d/ n. 奖，奖品 6

## B

- Δ back up 电脑备份 2  
bait /beɪt/ n. 饵，诱惑物 3  
banyan /'bænjən/ n. 〈植〉印度榕树 3  
Bass Strait /bæs streɪt/ 巴斯海峡 1  
beaker /'bi:kə/ n. 烧杯 4  
bicarbonate indicator /baɪ'ka:bənɪt 'ɪndɪkeɪtə/ 〈化〉重碳酸盐指示剂 4  
bilingual /bɪ'lɪŋgwəl/ adj. 能说两种语言的 1  
Brisbane /'brɪzbən/ 布里斯班（澳大利亚城市） 1  
bubble /'bʌbəl/ n. 气泡 4  
bud /bʌd/ n. （植物的）蓓蕾 4

- bulb /bʌlb/ n. 电灯泡；电灯 3  
bun /bʌn/ n. 小圆面包

## C

- camcorder /'kæm,kɔ:də/ n. 可携式摄像机 3  
Canberra /'kænbərə/ 堪培拉（澳大利亚首都） 1  
carbon /'ka:bən/ n. 〈化〉碳 3  
carnivorous /kɑ:'nɪvərəs/ adj. 食肉类的 3  
carpenter /'ka:pɪntə/ n. 木匠 3  
cell /sel/ n. 细胞 2  
census /'sensəs/ n. 人口普查 1  
channel /'tʃænl/ n. 电视频道 6  
Δ chemical /'kemɪkəl/ n. 化学制品 2  
Chicago /ʃi'ka:gəʊ/ 芝加哥（美国城市） 1  
chlorophyll /'klɔ:rəfɪl/ n. 叶绿素 3  
clone /kləʊn/ v. 无性（繁殖）；克隆 2  
Δ colourful /'kʌləfəl/ adj. 富于色彩的 3  
Δ come into being 出现，产生 5  
comedy /'kɒmɪdɪ/ n. 喜剧 5  
comment /'kɒmənt/ n. 评论 6  
compost /'kɒmpɒst/ n. 堆肥 2  
concentrate /'kɒnsəntreɪt/ v. 集中 1  
confusing /kən'fju:zɪŋ/ a. 令人费解的 5  
container /kən'teɪnə/ n. 容器 4  
continental /kɒntrɪ'nentl/ adj. 大陆性（气候） 1  
counter /'kaʊntə/ n. 柜台 3  
Δ courage /'kʌrɪdʒ/ n. 勇气，胆量 5  
cracked /krækɪt/ adj. 碎的，破裂的 3  
cunning /'kʌnɪŋ/ a. 狡猾的 5  
cursor /'kɜ:sə/ n. 〈计〉光标 2

## D

- daffodil /'dæfədɪl/ n. 水仙花 3

Darwin /'dɑ:wɪn/ 达尔文 ( 澳大利亚城市 )

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△ date back to 可追溯到，始于 ( 某时期 ) 5

dazed /deɪzd/ adj. 眩晕的；茫然的 6

△ delicious /dɪ'lɪʃəs/ adj. 美味的 3

△ depend /dɪ'pend/ v. 依靠，依赖 3

deposit /dɪ'pɒzɪt/ n. 沉淀物；矿藏 1

depressed /dɪ'prest/ adj. 感到沮丧的 4

derive /dr'raɪv/ v. 追溯……的起源 ( 或来由 ) 1

dictator /dɪk'teɪtə/ n. 独裁者 2

dioxide /daɪ'ɒksaɪd/ n. 〈化〉二氧化物 3

dip /dɪp/ v. 浸，泡，蘸 4

△ directly /dɪ'rektli/ adv. 直接地 3

disjointed /dɪs'dʒɔɪntɪd/ a. 脱节的，杂乱的 5

disk /dɪsk/ n. 光盘 2

dissolve /dɪ'zɒlv/ v. 溶解 3

diversity /daɪ've:sɪtɪ/ n. 多样性 1

dormant /'dɔ:mənt/ adj. 休眠的；静止的 4

drain /dreɪn/ v. 排去……的水 4

## E

editorial /'eɪdɪrɪ'tɔ:rɪəl/ n. 社论；评论 6

△ eggshell /'eg'sel/ n. 蛋壳 4

evil /'i:vəl/ adj. 邪恶的 2

expand /ɪk'spænd/ v. 变大，膨胀 4

experiment /ɪk'sperɪmənt/ n. 实验 4

## F

△ (Beijing opera) facial make-up ( 京剧 ) 脸谱 5

△ fair /feə/ adj. 公正的 6

fancy costume /'fænsɪ 'kɒstju:m/ 戏装 5

△ farmland /'fɑ:m lænd/ n. 农田 1

feature /fi:tʃə/ writer 专栏作家 6

federal /'fedərəl/ adj. 联邦的 1

federation /fedə'reɪʃən/ n. 同盟；联邦 1

fertilizer /'fɜ:tɪlaɪzə/ n. 肥料，化肥 2

file /faɪl/ n. 文件，档案 2

filter /'filtə/ paper 滤纸 4

filter /'filtə/ v. 过滤 6

fiord /fjɔ:d/ n. 峡湾 1

△ fly /flaɪ/ n. 苍蝇 3

△ fridge /frɪdʒ/ n. 电冰箱 3

fringe /frɪndʒ/ v. ( 似 ) 在……上装以缘饰 1

## G

gadget /'gædʒɪt/ n. 小器具，小配件 2

germinate /'dʒɜ:mɪneɪt/ v. 发芽；开始发育 4

glacier /'glæsiə/ n. 冰河，冰川 1

glance /gla:n̩s/ v. 瞥一眼；扫视 6

glowing /'gləʊɪŋ/ adj. 白热的；灼炽的 4

graveyard /'greɪvja:d/ n. 墓地 4

Great Barrier /'bærɪə/ Reef /ri:f/ 大堡礁 1

grieve /grɪ:v/ v. ( 尤指因别人亡故而 ) 感到悲痛 2

grind /graɪnd/ v. 磨，碾 3

## H

haunting /'hɔ:ntɪŋ/ adj. 给人以强烈感受的，使人不安的 5

△ headless /'hedləs/ adj. 无头的 2

△ headline /'hedlaine/ n. 大字标题 6

hectare /'hektə:/ n. 公顷 6

hedge /hedʒ/ n. 树篱 3

△ hilly /'hili/ adj. 多坡的 1

Hobart /'həʊbə:t/ 霍巴特 ( 澳大利亚城市 ) 1

hover /'həvə/ v. 盘旋 3

humid /'hju:mɪd/ adj. 潮湿的 1

## I

icon /'aɪkɒn/ n. 偶像；崇拜对象 1

identical /aɪ'dentɪkəl/ adj. ( 完全 ) 相同的，一模一样的 2

identify /aɪ'dentɪfaɪ/ v. 鉴别，识别 4

Illinois /'ɪlɪ'nɔɪl/ 伊利诺伊州 ( 美国州名 ) 1

impartial /ɪm'pa:ʃəl/ a. 公正的 5

imperial court /ɪm'piəriəl kɔ:t/ 王室 5

indicate /'ɪndɪkeɪt/ v. 象征；暗示 5

indicator /'ɪndɪkeɪtə/ n. 〈化〉指示剂 4

Indonesian /'ɪndəʊ'ni:zɪən/ adj. 印度尼西亚

的 1

- △ industrial /ɪn'dʌstriəl/ *adj.* 工业的 1  
injure /'ɪndʒə/ *v.* 损害, 伤害 3  
interactive /,ɪntər'æktyv/ *adj.* 交互的, 互动的 6  
intermission /,ɪntə'miʃən/ *n.* 幕间休息 5  
interval /'ɪntəvəl/ *n.* (时间、空间上的) 间隔 4  
investigate /ɪn'vestɪgeɪt/ *v.* 调查, 研究 2  
iodine /'aɪədɪn/ *n.* 〈化〉碘 4

## J

- Java /'dʒɑ:və/ 爪哇 (印度尼西亚岛屿) 1  
judgement /dʒʌdʒmənt/ *n.* 看法, 评价 1

## K

- △ key in 键入 2

## L

- △ ladybug /'leɪdɪbʌg/ *n.* 瓢虫 2  
larva /'la:və/ *n.* 〈动〉幼虫, 幼体 4  
lid /lɪd/ *n.* 盖子 4  
lime /laɪm/ water 石灰水 4  
△ lipstick /'lɪp,stɪk/ *n.* 口红, 唇膏 3  
load up 装上; 装入 6  
locomotive /,ləʊkə'məutɪv/ *n.* 机车 2  
log on 〈计〉登录 2  
loyal /'lɔɪəl/ *a.* 忠诚的 5  
loyalty /'lɔɪəlti/ *n.* 忠诚 5  
lumbering /'lʌmbərɪŋ/ *n.* 〈美〉木材业 1  
lyrics /'lɪriks/ *n.* [复] 歌词 5

## M

- △ mainland /'meɪnlənd/ *adj.* 大陆的 1  
majority /mə'dʒɔriti/ *n.* 多数, 大半 1  
△ make-up /'meɪk-ʌp/ *n.* 化妆品 3  
manufacturing /,mænʃu'fæktʃəriŋ/ *n.* 制造业 1  
manure /mə'njuə/ *n.* (动物) 粪便, 肥料 2

Maori /'maʊrɪ/ *n.* (新西兰) 毛利人 1

- △ means /mi:nz/ *n.* 手段, 方法 2  
Melbourne /'melbən/ 墨尔本 (澳大利亚城市) 1  
mentally /'mentli/ *adv.* 精神上 2  
merchant /'mɜ:tʃənt/ *n.* 商人 5  
merge /mɜ:dʒ/ *v.* (使) 合并 6  
metropolitan /,metrə'pɒlɪtən/ *adj.* 大城市的, 大都市的 1  
microwave /'maɪkrəʊ,weɪv/ *n.* 微波 3  
△ midsummer /,mɪd'sʌmə/ *n.* 仲夏 5  
migrant /'maɪgrənt/ *n.* 移民者, 移民 1  
mild /maɪld/ *adj.* 温和的 1  
military service /'militəri 'sɜ:vɪs/ 兵役 4  
△ milky /'mɪlkɪ/ *adj.* 乳状的, 乳白色的 4  
mince /mɪns/ *n.* 绞碎的肉, 肉末; 切碎物 3  
minister /'mіnістə/ *n.* 大臣 5  
△ miss out on 错失……的机会 6  
△ mistaken /mɪ'steɪkən/ *adj.* 犯错的, 错误的 1  
△ mobile /'məʊbail/ phone 移动电话; 手机 2  
Montreal /,mɔntrɪ'ɔ:/ 蒙特利尔 (加拿大城市) 1  
moth /məθ/ *n.* 飞蛾; 蛾子 4  
△ mountainous /'maʊntɪnəs/ *adj.* 多山的 1  
△ musical /'mju:zɪkəl/ *n.* 音乐剧 5  
mysteriously /mɪ'stɪərɪəslɪ/ *adv.* 神秘地 6

## N

- news agency /'eɪdʒənsi/ 通讯社 6  
news bulletin /'bulɪtɪn/ 新闻简报 6  
nitrogen /'naɪtrədʒən/ *n.* 〈化〉氮 4  
noble /'nəʊbəl/ *a.* 高贵的 5  
noted /'nəʊtɪd/ *adj.* 著名的 1  
nutrient /'nju:tʃrɪənt/ *n.* 营养品, 滋养物 3

## O

- ore /ɔ:/ *n.* 矿石 1  
organ /'ɔ:gən/ *n.* 器官 2  
organic /'ɔ:gænɪk/ *adj.* 施用有机肥料的 2  
Ottawa /'ɒtəwə/ 渥太华 (加拿大首都) 1

## P

- palm /pɑ:m/ *n.* 棕榈树 2  
peninsula /pɪ'nɪnsjʊlə/ *n.* 半岛 3  
△ perfect /'pɜ:fɪkt/ *adj.* 完美的 3  
Perth /pɜ:θ/ 佩斯（澳大利亚城市） 1  
pest /pest/ *n.* 有害的小动物，害虫 2  
pesticide /'pestɪsaɪd/ *n.* 杀虫剂 2  
petroleum /pɪ'truːlɪəm/ *n.* 石油 1  
photosynthesis /fəʊtəs'ɪnθəsɪs/ *n.* 〈生化〉光合作用 3  
△ physically /'fɪzɪkəlɪ/ *adv.* 身体上地 2  
PIN (=personal identification number) 个人密码 2  
playwright /'pleɪraɪt/ *n.* 剧作家 5  
△ poetry /'pəʊɪtri/ *n.* [总称] 诗，诗篇 3  
premier /'premiər/ *adj.* 第一的，首要的 1  
△ presence /'prezəns/ *n.* 存在 4  
preserve /prɪ'vezɜ:v/ *v.* 保护，保全 2  
previously /'pri:vɪəslɪ/ *adv.* 先前地；以往地 6  
process /'prəʊses/ *n.* 过程，作用 3  
△ provide /prə'veɪd/ *v.* 提供 6  
province /'prɒvɪns/ *n.* 省 1  
prune /pru:n/ *v.* 剪除 3  
pupa /'pjʊ:pə/ *n.* [昆] 蛹 4

## Q

- Queensland /kwi:nzlænd/ 昆士兰州（澳大利亚州名） 1

## R

- range /reɪndʒ/ *v.* (在一定范围内) 变化 1  
recommendation /,rekə'men'deɪʃən/ *n.* 推荐，建议 1  
reconcile /'rekənseɪl/ *v.* 使和解，使和好 5  
recover /rɪ'kʌvə/ *v.* 恢复 2  
register /'redʒɪstə/ *v.* 注册 6  
△ reinvent /,rɪ'ɪn'vent/ *v.* 再造 2  
release /rɪ'lɪ:s/ *v.* 释放 3  
△ relight /ri:'laɪt/ *v.* 重新点燃 4

- △ remain /rɪ'meɪn/ *v.* 保持，维持 4  
remove /rɪ'mu:v/ *v.* 去掉，除去 3  
reputation /,repju'teɪʃən/ *n.* 荣誉，声誉 6  
△ resting /'restɪŋ/ *adj.* 休眠的，静止的 4  
rhythm /'rɪðəm/ *n.* 节奏 6  
rinse /rɪns/ *v.* 用清水冲洗 4  
△ risk /rɪsk/ *n.* 风险 6  
rockery /'rɒkərɪ/ *n.* 假山 3  
romance /rəʊ'mæns/ *n.* 浪漫故事，浪漫作品 5  
root /ru:t/ *n.* 根，根部 3  
rootlet /'ru:tlt/ *n.* 小根，支根 3  
△ run /rʌn/ *n.* (戏的) 连演 5

## S

- saucepans /'sɔ:spən/ *n.* (有盖长柄的) 深平底锅 3  
saw /sɔ:/ *n.* 锯 3  
scrape /skreɪp/ *v.* 刮，擦，挖 2  
section /'sekʃən/ *n.* 部分；区 1  
seed /si:d/ *n.* 种子 3  
△ set the tone 定下基调 5  
△ setting /'setɪŋ/ *n.* 背景 5  
settlement /'setlmənt/ *n.* 移民，殖民地的开拓 1  
shed /ʃed/ *n.* 棚，小屋 3  
△ sign off (电台或电视台) 停止广播，宣布广播结束(尤指全天广播结束) 6  
△ single out 挑选出来 5  
sink /sɪŋk/ *v.* 下沉 4  
slot /slɒt/ *n.* 狹长孔，狭缝 2  
snap /snæp/ *n.* 劈啪声 3  
soak /səʊk/ *v.* 浸；泡 4  
solution /sə'lju:ʃən/ *n.* 〈化〉溶液 4  
species /'spi:sɪz/ *n.* 种类 2  
splint /splɪnt/ *n.* 薄木条 4  
sprout /spraut/ *v.* 发芽 4  
starch /sta:tʃ/ *n.* 淀粉 4  
stem /stem/ *n.* 茎，干 3  
△ stopper /'stɒpə/ *n.* 阻塞物，塞子 4  
striking /'straɪkɪŋ/ *a.* 惹人注目的，突出的 5  
stripe /straɪp/ *n.* 狹长条，带状条 2

stroke /strəʊk/ *n.* 中风 6

△ sugary /'ʃʊgərɪ/ *adj.* 含糖的，甜的 3

△ suggest /sə'dʒest/ *v.* 表明 6

△ sunshine /'sʌnʃaɪn/ *n.* 阳光 3

△ supporting /sə'pɔ:tɪŋ/ *a.* 次要的 5

survival /sə'verəvl/ *n.* 生存 3

survive /sə'veɪv/ *v.* 生存下来；幸存 3

## T

△ take in 吸收 4

Tasmania /tæz'meɪnɪə/ 塔斯马尼亚州（澳大利亚州名） 1

temperate /'tempərət/ *adj.* （气候等）温带的；温和的 1

tempest /'tempɪst/ *n.* 暴风雨（或雪） 5

△ thin away 变薄（直至消失） 4

tightly /taɪtlɪ/ *adv.* 紧紧地 3

Toronto /tə'rɒntəʊ/ 多伦多（加拿大城市） 1

tragedy /'trædʒɪdɪ/ *n.* 悲剧 5

△ transplant /træns'plæ:nt/ *n.* 移植 2

trap /træp/ *v.* 使堕入圈套 3

trickster /'trɪkstə/ *n.* 骗子，狡猾的人 5

troupe /tru:p/ *n.* （尤指由巡回演出的演员、歌手等组成的）团、班、队 5

tulip /'tju:lɪp/ *n.* 郁金香 3

△ turn up 出现 4

tweezers /'twi:zəz/ *n.* [复] 镊子 4

Twitter /'twɪ:tə/ *n.* 推特（国外一社交网络及微博客服务的网站） 6

## U

unspoilt /,ʌn'spoɪlt/ *adj.* 未受损害的，未受破坏的 1

△ update /ʌp'deɪt/ *v.* 更新 6

upright /'ʌprɔɪt/ *a.* 正直的 5

## V

vaccine /'væksi:n/ *n.* 疫苗 6

valour /'vælə/ *n.* 英勇 5

Vancouver /væn'ku:və/ 温哥华（加拿大城市） 1

Venus flytrap /'vi:nəs 'flaɪtræp/ 捕蝇草 3

violet /'vaɪəlɪt/ *n.* 紫罗兰 3

## W

ward /wɔ:d/ *n.* 病房 6

Wellington /'welɪŋtən/ 惠灵顿（新西兰首都） 1

white phosphorus /'fɒsfərəs/ 白磷 4

△ whole /həʊl/ *adj.* 全部的；整个的 6

withdraw /wið'drɔ:/ *v.* 提取 2

workaholic /'wɜ:kə'hɒlɪk/ *n.* 工作狂 6

worm /wɜ:m/ *n.* 虫，蠕虫 3

△ worthless /'wɜ:θləs/ *adj.* 无价值的 6

## Z

zone /zəʊn/ *n.* 地域，地区 1

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