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Listening	Speaking skills	Reading	Writing	Speaking
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Unit 7 Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss worthwhile experiences</li> <li>Talk about purchases</li> <li>Bargain for a purchase</li> <li>Write a for-and-against essay</li> <li>Negotiate a boat trip</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gerunds and infinitives after adjectives, nouns, and pronouns</li> <li>Infinitives after verbs with and without objects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Positive experiences</li> <li>Making purchases</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listening for vowel linking between words</li> <li>Saying /ŋ/</li> </ul>
Unit 8 Small things matter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about neatness and messiness</li> <li>Talk about side projects</li> <li>Suggest and show interest in ideas</li> <li>Write a complaint letter</li> <li>Make a podcast on ways to reduce stress</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modal-like expressions with <i>be</i></li> <li>Future forms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describing neatness and messiness</li> <li>Talking about progress</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listening for emphasis</li> <li>Saying words that show a contrast</li> </ul>
Unit 9 Things happen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about how your life might be different</li> <li>Talk about mistakes</li> <li>Reassure someone about a problem</li> <li>Write an article giving tips</li> <li>Talk about key events in your life</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unreal conditionals</li> <li>Wishes and regrets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luck and choice</li> <li>Commenting on mistakes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listening for different word groups</li> <li>Using intonation in conditional sentences</li> </ul>
Review 3 (Review of Units 7–9)				
Unit 10 People, profiles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about people's characteristics</li> <li>Talk about customer research</li> <li>Give your impressions</li> <li>Write a professional profile</li> <li>Develop a plan to improve a company website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gerunds after prepositions</li> <li>Causative verbs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describing characteristics</li> <li>Describing research</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quoting from a text</li> <li>Recognizing /eɪ/, /aɪ/, and /ɔɪ/</li> </ul>
Unit 11 Really?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about fake goods</li> <li>Talk about untrue information</li> <li>Express belief and disbelief</li> <li>Write a persuasive essay</li> <li>Share tips on solutions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passive forms</li> <li>Passives with modals and modal-like expressions; passive infinitives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describing consumer goods</li> <li>Degrees of truth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listening for intonation on exclamations and imperatives</li> <li>Saying /oʊ/ and /aʊ/</li> </ul>
Unit 12 Got what it takes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about talent</li> <li>Discuss how to make life better</li> <li>Describe your ambitions</li> <li>Write a review of a performance</li> <li>Give a presentation about yourself</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adverbs with adjectives and adverbs</li> <li>Making non-count nouns countable</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skill and performance</li> <li>Describing emotional impact</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listening for sounds that change</li> <li>Using syllable stress in words</li> </ul>
Review 4 (Review of Units 10–12)				
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<b>A good bargain</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Price negotiation for a purchase</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negotiate a price</li> </ul>	<b>Money's worth</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An article about spending money on experiences vs. things</li> </ul>	<b>A for-and-against essay</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize an essay</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about your job or a job you would like to do</li> <li>Talk about purchases</li> <li>Talk about bargaining</li> <li>Discuss spending money on experiences vs. things</li> </ul> <b>Time to speak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negotiate features of a boat trip</li> </ul>
<b>The little touches</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A podcast about event planning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggest and show interest in ideas</li> </ul>	<b>A smile goes a long way</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An article about complaining effectively</li> </ul>	<b>A complaint</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avoid run-on sentences and sentence fragments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about qualities of a good roommate</li> <li>Talk about side projects</li> <li>Plan an event</li> <li>Discuss effective ways to complain</li> </ul> <b>Time to speak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss ways to reduce stress</li> </ul>
<b>My mistake</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A radio phone-in about an embarrassing situation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give reassurance</li> </ul>	<b>Good conversations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An online article about making small talk with strangers</li> </ul>	<b>An article</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parallel structures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about how your life might be different if you'd made different choices</li> <li>Talk about small regrets and make wishes</li> <li>Describe a problem and offer reassurance</li> <li>Discuss what makes a good conversationalist</li> </ul> <b>Time to speak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about your news at a school reunion</li> </ul>
<b>A careful choice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A conversation between two friends discussing which company to order a cake from</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give your impressions</li> </ul>	<b>A professional profile</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An article about rewriting your professional profile</li> </ul>	<b>A professional profile</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use professional language</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about the ways we like to be similar to or different from others</li> <li>Talk about your customer profile</li> <li>Choose a gym based on its online profile</li> <li>Give advice on writing a professional profile</li> </ul> <b>Time to speak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Come up with tips on making the career section of a website attractive to potential employees</li> </ul>
<b>Believe it or not ...</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two conversations about a NASA probe sent to the sun</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Express belief and disbelief</li> </ul>	<b>Convince me</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An article with tips on identifying fake product reviews</li> </ul>	<b>Persuasive essay</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use persuasive language</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about counterfeit goods</li> <li>Talk about false stories you've read online</li> <li>Talk about rumors</li> <li>Discuss how to identify fake information</li> </ul> <b>Time to speak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about common problems people search for online and solutions for them</li> </ul>
<b>Maybe one day ...</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A college interview for a theater program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe ambitions; express optimism and caution</li> </ul>	<b>Success behind the scenes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A personal narrative by a guitar tech</li> </ul>	<b>A concert review</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Show reason and result</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk about being good at something due to practice or natural talent</li> <li>Talk about small things you can do to make people happy</li> <li>Talk about your ambitions</li> <li>Talk about what contributes to success in a job</li> </ul> <b>Time to speak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make a presentation about yourself</li> </ul>