

Unit 16 Language summary

Vocabulary

Nouns

aspect
circumnavigation
claim
donation
(the) elderly
emergency room
energy
fund-raising
grade
nonprofit organization
nursing home
orphanage
playfulness
senior citizen
waste of time
weakness

Adjectives

adaptable
challenging
compassionate
courageous
cynical
dependent
developing (country)
frustrating
gifted
(un)imaginative
(visually) impaired
insensitive
life-or-death
nautical
nonstop
polyglot
resourceful
rigid

selective
self-sufficient
timid
underprivileged
upbeat
youthful

Verbs

deal with
determine
empower
manage (to)
sail

Adverb

ahead

Prepositions

on (a regular basis)
on (one's own)

Expressions

Describing challenges, frustrations, and rewards

The most challenging/frustrating/
rewarding thing about ... is ...

Describing past accomplishments

I've managed to ...
I managed to ...
I've been able to ...
I was able to ...

Talking about future accomplishments

What do you hope you'll have
achieved?

I hope I'll have ...

I'd like to have ...

Expressing birthday wishes

Happy birthday.