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Chapter 1 CULTURE

Entertainment

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

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| 1. Amateurish | * <u>A</u> m a teu rish | 6. Improvisation | Im pro vis * <u>a</u> tion |
| 2. Cast | *C <u>a</u> st | 7. Incompetent | In * <u>co</u> m pe tent |
| 3. Charismatic | Char is * <u>ma</u> tic | 8. Medium | * <u>Me</u> di um |
| 4. Gala | *G <u>a</u> la | 9. Skit | *Sk <u>i</u> t |
| 5. Hilarious | Hi * <u>lar</u> i ous | 10. Zeal | *Z <u>e</u> al |

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	amateurish	<i>adj</i>	Not good enough to be the work of professionals	Whoever painted this room did an amateurish job, with all sorts of uneven edges.		Amateur n, Amateurishly adv
2	cast	<i>n</i>	The group of actors in a play, movie, television show, etc.	Some viewers mistakenly start thinking that a TV show's cast members are really the characters they play.	In U.S. English, cast is singular. In some other varieties of English it is plural.	Cast v
3	charismatic	<i>adj</i>	Extremely attractive and charming	Because of the sparkle in his eye and his confident style, John F.Kennedy was a charismatic leader.		Charisma n, Charismatically adv
4	gala	<i>adj</i>	Expensive, elaborately arranged, and full of celebration	A college graduation party should be a gala affair, not a backyard barbecue.	Gala is somewhat old-fashioned, more common in print than in speech.	Gala n
5	hilarious	<i>adj</i>	Very funny	In my opinion, the most hilarious character on television was Basil Fawlty.		Hilarity n

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	improvisation	<i>n</i>	Inventing a solution to an unexpected problem	Boy Scouts take pride in their improvisation when faced with trouble during a camping trip.		Improvise v, improvisational adj
7	incompetent	<i>adj</i>	Unskilled; lacking the ability to perform a task	Because we hired a incompetent builder to replace our roof, we now have leaks everywhere.	Usually, <i>incompetent</i> implies that someone tries to do something but fails.	Incompetence n, Incompetently adv
8	medium	<i>n</i>	A channel or way for a meaning to be expressed	Watercolor art is often considered childish, but some artists have achieved great things working in that medium .	The plural of <i>medium</i> is <i>media</i> .	
9	skit	<i>n</i>	A short, informal play	Marnie and Chris spent a long time practicing their skit for the school show.		
10	zeal	<i>n</i>	Enthusiasm; a deep determination to do well	Unfortunately, Tom's zeal to become a rock star distracted him from his studies.	<i>Zeal</i> is often followed by <i>to</i> plus a verb or by a <i>for</i> phrase.	Zealot n, Zealous adj

3. Vocabulary Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| _____ 1. amateurish | a. group of people in a movie |
| _____ 2. cast | b. very funny |
| _____ 3. hilarious | c. unable to perform a task |
| _____ 4. incompetent | d. enthusiasm |
| _____ 5. zeal | e. not like professionals |

B. Complete each sentence by filling in the blank with the best word from the list.

Change the form of the word if necessary. Use each word only once.

charismatic gala improvisation medium skit

1. The sixth-grade class put on a little _____ about Thanksgiving Day.
2. The year ended with a _____ celebration featuring a professional orchestra.
3. Gena's skills at _____ saved the play when she forgot her real lines.
4. Television is a passive _____ because it demands no input from the viewer.
5. Movie stars that are especially _____ often take advantage of their charm to go into politics.

4. Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Read the passage to review the vocabulary you have learned. Answer the questions that follow.

When the artistic *medium* of theater falls into the hands of college students, the results can be unpredictable. At one college, we saw Shakespeare's *Hamlet* done as musical theater. The idea was bad to start out with, and the actual play was *amateurish*, bordering on *incompetent*. The *cast* did not understand the tragic power of the play. Their *improvisation* when they forgot their lines was silly and inappropriate. The costumes and set design looked homemade, like something from an elementary-school *skit*. Three months later, **however**, this same group of students did a great job with the comedy *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

*Bonus
Structure—
However
indicates
a change in
focus.*

Surprisingly enough, the actors were *charismatic*, played their parts with *zeal*, and achieved a *hilarious* result. It was no *gala* event, but we still felt that it was one of the best performances we had seen.

5. Reading Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

1. What word best describes the author's opinion of the student performance of *Hamlet*?

- i. incompetent
- ii. charismatic
- iii. hilarious
- iv. full of zeal

2. What is the author's opinion of student performances in general?

- i. Students should not perform Shakespeare's plays.
- ii. Sometimes student productions are good, and other times they are not.
- iii. All student shows are amateurish.
- iv. Student performances should be gala events.

6. Extra Phrases (The *MP3* is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Entertainment**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Sell out	All tickets are sold for an event	concert	Separable Object Sell + out + O Sell + O + out Sell + OPr + out	I tried to get a ticket but when I rang up the office, they said the gig had been sold out for weeks.
Live up to	To meet someone's expectations	expectations	Inseparable Object Live + up + to + O	That movie just didn't live up to my expectations . I read the reviews and was really looking forward to a good storyline, but it was terrible, so run of the mill.
Laugh out	To laugh publicly		Inseparable No Object	I couldn't help myself from laughing out loud at the movies the other day, I hope I didn't upset anyone.
Figure out	To work out what something is or is about.	Plot / story / sum / problem	Separable Object Figure + out + O Figure + O + out Figure + OPr + out	You know, I've seen that movie twice and I still can't figure out what was going on.
Be on	To be showing at present, on TV, Movie Theatre...		Separable No Object	There is a great documentary on tonight on Discovery. You should take a look at it if you can.

7. Phrasal Verb Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

be on laugh out figure out live up to sell out

1. They have announced that tickets to the Los Angeles concert of Martin Nievera have been _____ a little over three weeks after they were released.
2. I had to _____ loud at some of the idiotic scenes in that movie.
3. It took some time for her to _____ how to juggle movie stardom, marriage and motherhood.
4. I think the movie was quite good although it didn't _____ my expectations.
5. What _____ at CGV? Ah, not Saw again, what is that...Saw number 75?

8. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Culture and Entertainment**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
Culture vulture	someone who is very keen to see and experience art, theatre, literature, music etc.	Humorous (funny) idiom, a bit negative actually.	She's a bit of a culture vulture . She'll only visit places that have at least one art gallery.
To be star-studded	Lots of famous people in a film, play etc.	Usually we use this when we talk about a movie/musical/play/concert etc. that has many of the best or well known people in it. Maybe lots of <u>cameos</u> too.	It was a star-studded event. All the top names were there.
To be in the lime light .	To be the centre of attention.	To be famous somewhat, celebrities always seem to want to be in the limelight .	Ignore her, she'd do anything to keep herself in the limelight .

A show stopper	An event that provokes such a strong reaction from, it stops whatever's happening.	This can be used with any entertainment form, something was so good, you are left speechless.	His speech was a real show stopper .
To steal the show	To win the greatest praise and to be better than anyone else.	We can use this to talk about movies, musicals, even sport.	Her acceptance speech really stole the show .

9. Idiom Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

Please put the correct idiom into the correct sentence. You may need to change the verb form.

culture vulture star-studded in the limelight

show stopper steal the show

1. The supporting group last night really _____ from the headline act.
2. She loves _____. I mean she is always on TV or online talking about something or other.
3. My friend Tom, certainly isn't a _____, when he goes on holiday, he loves to just drink and chill on a beach.
4. That speech given by Jane during the play last night was a real _____.
5. Expendables 2 is a real _____ movie, everyone who is anyone is in it.

Topic 2 TRAVEL

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

1. Backpack	*B <u>a</u> ck pack	6. Immunization	Im mu ni * <u>z</u> a tion
2. Package Tour	*P <u>a</u> ck age Tour	7. At ease	At * <u>e</u> ase
3. Apprehension	Ap pre * <u>h</u> en sion	8. Disquieting	Dis * <u>q</u> ui et ing
4. Chaotic	*Ch <u>a</u> ot ic	9. Blasé	Bla * <u>s</u> é
5. Haggle	*H <u>a</u> g gle	10. Quaint	* <u>Q</u> uaint

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Backpack	<i>v</i>	To travel around a region with a bag on your back (usually cheap or low budget travel)	I backpacked around Europe when I was younger, I really loved it.		Backpack n Backpacker n
2	Package tour	<i>n</i>	A tour arranged by a travel agent; transportation and food and lodging are all provided at an inclusive price	I went on a package tour once. It was very relaxing, I didn't have to worry about booking extra hotels, flights etc...		
3	Apprehension	<i>n</i>	Fearful or unpleasant expectation	Experiencing some apprehension about meeting new people overseas is normal.	Synonyms can be <i>fear, worry, concern...</i>	Apprehend v
4	Chaotic	<i>adj</i>	Complete disorder and confusion	The traffic is very chaotic during rush hour, so I always take the train.		Chaotically adv Chaos n
5	Haggle	<i>v</i>	Intense bargaining over the price of goods	We were finally able to haggle down the price of the rug.	Synonyms can be <i>barter, bargain...</i>	

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Immunizations	<i>n</i>	Protection, often in the form of vaccination or shots, against certain diseases	Immunizations against certain diseases are strongly recommended when traveling to certain areas of the world.	Slang terms for this would be “ <u>shot</u> ”... “I need to get my <u>shots</u> before I go to the USA”.	Immunize v Immune adj
7	At ease	<i>adj</i>	A condition of comfort	He feels at ease when speaking in Spanish.	To feel relaxed with someone, something or somewhere.	
8	Disquieting	<i>adj</i>	A feeling of discomfort	I had a disquieting feeling about walking down this street at night.	Synonyms can be <i>uncomfortable</i> , <i>uneasy</i> ...	Disquiet v Disquietingly adv
9	Blasé	<i>adj</i>	Unconcerned and uninterested	He felt the visit to the museum was so blasé , having been to many others over the past few days.	A French word, earliest use 1819.	
10	Quaint	<i>adj</i>	pleasingly or strikingly old-fashioned or unfamiliar	The fishing village was very quaint .		Quaintly adv Quaintness n

3. Vocabulary Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1. _____ at ease | a. unpleasant |
| 2. _____ quaint | b. worry-free |
| 3. _____ blasé | c. structured |
| 4. _____ chaotic | d. interested |
| 5. _____ apprehension | e. unrelaxed |

B. Choose the word from the list that is closest in meaning to the underlined part of each sentence. Write it in the blank.

disquieting immunizations backpack haggle package tour

1. I went to Spain last year. It was an organized trip; we had a great hotel and the flights were cheap.
2. I'm going to India this summer. I checked online and it said I need to get some shots.
Hope they're not too expensive.
3. I tried to make a deal with the guy over the lamp I bought at the market, but he I couldn't get a discount.
4. Yeah, I travelled around Europe and pitched my tent whenever I got tired.
5. The only city I've have an uneasy feeling in was San Francisco, it seemed a bit seedy the time I was there.

4. Listening & Reading (The **MP3** is available online)

Listen to and read a conversation about **Travel**.

Margaret & Seanan

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S	Ah, this Christmas, I'd like to go home again, I'd like to, not again, but I'd like to go home, 'cause em, eh, it's been a while.
M	Yeah, me too.
S	It's another year I guess. So, em, go home to see Dad.
M	Yes.
S	See his new car.

M	Oh, he got a car?
S	Yeah he bought a 1974 beetle, Volkswagen Beetle.
M	Cool.
S	So eh...
M	Can, is he healthy enough to drive?
S	Yeah, yeah, yeah, he's a healthy, he's a Beetle fanatic, so he's always had them when he was younger, so it's sort of his eh, little bit of a hobby now you know.
M	Good.
S	Retirement.
M	That's good.
S	Yeah so go home and see him and then hopefully, well I don't know, it depends on I guess progress with the study, I might head over to England as well and check out a university over there, if I have time, plus see my sister you know.
M	Okay.
S	Well that will be on my own, eh sort of the whole trip will be on my own.
M	Oh so no family?
S	No, not till next summer, not till next summer.
M	Okay.
S	So I wanna get home on my own first and then next summer a family trip.
M	Yeah, I need to get home too, I need to do shopping.
S	Really? Clothes wise or?
M	Oh my God clothes, everything, clothes, nothing fits, nothing.
S	Ah.

M	Em.
S	You can't get stuff online?
M	I can, but stuff, I'm sorry, stuff, underwear is very hard to fit.
S	Uh huh
M	And I need to be there, I mean pants and stuff I can get online.
S	So back to Seattle?
M	But, yeah I really need to go back and do shopping and I need to um, I need to see my Dad.
S	Yeah.
M	As well and.
S	Your dad is knocking around as well isn't he, how old is your Dad now?
M	He's em 86.
S	Jeez, well he's a lot older than my Dad. My Dad is...
M	But he is failing, his mind is failing.
S	Yeah.
M	So, I need to see him.
S	So your Dad's mind and my Dad's body, there you go.
M	My Dad's body seems to be holding out.
S	Yeah.
M	Which is yeah, kind of scary when you think of the old.
S	Will he still recognize you now or is it on off?
M	Eh no, apparently he knows, he doesn't know his grandkids, but he knows they are his grandchildren.

S	Ah right.
M	But he, he doesn't know their names.
S	Ah.
M	But he knows that, he knows my sister and I apparently, but you know he doesn't, he sees pictures of me, I don't, I haven't seen him in a long time.
S	So when you go home, are you just gonna stay in the home area or travel around a bit?
M	Probably just go to Seattle to see the folks and a few friends and then go to Portland.
S	Uh huh.
M	Em, Oregon, because they don't have a ta...my sister lives there and they don't have sales tax, so I'll shop down there.
S	No sales tax?
M	No sales tax.
S	That's pretty cool.
M	So em, hit the shopping mall in Oregon and...
S	Then bring it all back over here.
M	Haul it all back over to Korea.
S	Hmm hmm hmm, that's not a bad little trip, so shopping, a trip home and a bit of family trip.
M	Pretty much a shopping trip and a little bit of you business, like I said my Dad is getting old, and we need to, my sister and I need to talk about where's the will.
S	Oh the stuff.

M	Stuff like that, we don't know. My sister doesn't know. I just found out recently my sister doesn't know where the paperwork is, so...
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5. Extra Phrases (The *MP3* is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Travel**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
See off	To be present at the departure of (a person making a journey)	Friend Cousins	Separable Object See + off + O See + O + off See + OPr + off	Seanan saw his friend Killian off at the airport.
Drop off	To take someone to a place in a car, usually without getting out of the car yourself		Separable Object Drop + off + O Drop + O + off Drop = OPr + off	I dropped him off at the bus stop on my way to work.
Get away	To go somewhere different from where you live in order to have a rest or a holiday		Inseparable No Object	Let's get away for a few days over Chuseok.
Ask around	To ask several people for information or advice		Inseparable No Object	I'll ask around and see if there's a room free somewhere.
Laze around	To relax and enjoy yourself; doing no work.	pool	Inseparable Object Laze + around + O (British English synonym would be "laze about")	I'm just going to laze around the pool for the day; I need to nurse this hangover.

6. Phrasal Verb Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

laze around get away drop off see off ask around

1. The bus driver _____ me _____ in the middle of nowhere. I had to wait ages for a lift.
2. I have to go to the airport tomorrow to _____ my best friend, who is leaving Korea.
3. I can't find it on the map. Hold on I'll _____.
4. You are always _____ the house; can't you go out and get some fresh air?
5. I'm dying to _____ this winter. I haven't had a vacation in ages.

7. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Travel**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
On the road	Travelling about usually over a long distance		After 3 years on the road Forest Gump stopped running.
On a whim	Done without thinking seriously about the consequences	The synonym " <i>out of the blue</i> " can be used also.	Sometimes, on a whim , I'll wake up in the morning, go down to Dongdaegu Station and jump on a train
Mile a minute	Very fast		He talks a mile a minute . I can't get a word in edgeways.
Off the beaten track (path)	To travel away from the frequently traveled routes.		Yeah, I try not to hit the tourist spots, I prefer travelling off the beaten track.(path)

Travel light	To bring very few things with you when you go on a trip		I like to travel light , especially when I'm hiking. I don't like to be loaded down with gear.
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8. Idiom Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct idiom into the correct sentence. You may need to change the verb form.

on the road travel light on a whim mile a minute off the beaten track

1. Men apparently are better at _____ than women, who have a lot of cosmetics in their bags
2. She was so excited. I couldn't understand her. She was talking _____.
3. Have you ever done anything _____? You know, like going up to a beautiful girl and asking her out?
4. I'm exhausted. I've been _____ for hours. I can't wait to get home.
5. My wife loves to stray _____ when we are on our travels.

Topic 3 FOOD

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

1. Abandon	A *b <u>a</u> n don	6. Intensify	In *t <u>e</u> n si fy
2. Adversely	Ad *v <u>e</u> rse ly	7. Irrigation	Ir ri *g <u>a</u> tion
3. Aggregate	*A <u>g</u> gre gate	8. Obtain	Ob *t <u>a</u> in
4. Cultivation	Cul ti *v <u>a</u> tion	9. Photosynthesis	Pho to *s <u>yn</u> the sis
5. Fertilize	*F <u>e</u> r ti lize	10. Precipitation	Pre ci pi *t <u>a</u> tion

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Abandon	v.	To leave; to give up	To save their lives, the sailors had to abandon the sinking ship.		Abandonment n
2	Adversely	adv.	In a harmful way; negatively	Excessive rainfall early in the spring can adversely affect the planting of crops.	<i>Adversely</i> is often followed by <i>affect</i> .	Adversity n Adverse adj
3	Aggregate	adj.	Gathered into or amounting to a whole	It is impossible to judge last year's performance without knowing the aggregate sales	<i>Aggregate</i> is often followed by a term like <i>sum</i> , <i>total</i> , or <i>numbers</i> .	Aggregate v Aggregate n
4	Cultivation	n.	Preparing the land to grow crops; improvement for agricultural purposes	With the development of land cultivation , hunters and gatherers were able to settle in one place.		Cultivate v
5	Fertilize	v.	To supply with nourishment for plants by adding helpful substances to the soil	This farm fertilizes tomatoes more than any other crop.		Fertilizer n Fertilization n

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Intensify	v.	To increase in power; to act with increased strength	Jacob's long absence intensified his certainty that he should marry Rose.		Intensification n Intense adj
7	Irrigation	n.	The supplying of water to dry land	In dry areas of the country, you can see ditches all over the farmland for		Irrigate v
8	Obtain	v.	To gain possession of; to get	After a series of difficult interviews, he finally was able to obtain the job.		
9	Photosynthesis	n.	The process by which green plants make their own food by combining water, salts, and carbon dioxide in the presence of light.	Oxygen is a by-product of the process of photosynthesis .		Photosynthesize v
10	Precipitation	n.	Water that falls to the Earth's surface	In the Pacific Northwest, the high level of precipitation ensures rich, green plant life.		

3. Vocabulary Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

A. Complete each sentence by filling in the blank with the best word from the list. Change the form of the word if necessary.

abandoned precipitation cultivation fertilize photosynthesis

1. Through _____, green plants create organic materials with the help of chlorophyll.
2. The coastal city gets half of its _____ during the months of January, February, and March.
3. Farmers use various methods of land _____.
4. When they heard the hull crack, all but two of the sailors _____ ship.
5. Inexperienced gardeners may not realize how important it is that they _____ their plants.

B. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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|---------------------|---------------|
| 1. _____ obtain | a. weaken |
| 2. _____ intensify | b. separate |
| 3. _____ irrigation | c. lose |
| 4. _____ aggregate | d. drainage |
| 5. _____ adversely | e. positively |

4. Listening & Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Listen & read the passage to review the vocabulary you have learned. Answer the questions that follow.

In countries like Niger and Mauritania, the *cultivation* of land has changed little in the past several centuries. Additionally, these countries' mono-modal rainfall pattern brings *precipitation* for only three months during the year.

As a result, food production doesn't nearly meet demand.

Several agencies and organizations have *intensified* their efforts to increase the productivity of land in these countries.

They have introduced new strains of seed, improved *irrigation* techniques, and introduced new methods of *fertilization* and soil management. With ample sunlight for *photosynthesis* and modern irrigation techniques, sustainable farming techniques should allow farmers to boost *aggregate* production in order to meet demand. Still, crop revitalization faces an unexpected *adversary*: institutional incompetence. Where crop specialists have convinced individual farmers to *abandon* old farming techniques in place of new, they can't readily *obtain* the governmental cooperation they need. The biggest hurdles are political corruption, incompetence, and the absence of a marketing infrastructure.

Bonus Structure - <i>As a result</i> means "therefore," "for this reason."

5. Listening & Reading Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

1. In this passage, the word adversary is closest in meaning to
 - a. friend
 - b. helper
 - c. enemy
 - d. leader

2. In the last paragraph, the word they refers to
 - a. crop specialists
 - b. farmers
 - c. farming techniques
 - d. adversaries

6. Phrasal Verbs (The **MP3** is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Food and the Environment**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Drive down	To make a price or amount fall to a lower level	Emissions	Separable Object Drive + down + O Drive + O + down Drive + OPr + down	We're experiencing a huge demand for more environmentally friendly fuels and are committed to driving down carbon dioxide emissions .
Lobby for	An action such as a protest or meeting which is intended to influence politicians	Changes	Inseparable Object Lobby + for + O	He also confirmed that both companies will lobby for changes to farming regulations and subsidies.
Phase out	To gradually stop using something		Separable Object	The majority of European countries

			Phase + out + O Phase + O + out Phase + OPr + out	have endorsed a new European strategy for a total phase-out of lead in petrol by the year 2005.
Drum up	To try to make people support you or buy something from you	Enthusiasm Interest	Separable Object Drum + up + O Drum + O + up Drum + OPr + up	It has always been difficult to drum up enthusiasm for solar power.
Usher in	To make an activity or process begin	New era	Separable Object Usher + in + O Usher + O + in Usher + OPr + in	This project is an engineering, scientific and technological marvel ushering in a new era of fuel efficiency.

7. Phrase Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Complete each sentence below by filling in the blank with the best phrasal verb from the list. Change the form of the phrasal verb if necessary. Use each phrasal verb only once.

drive down **usher in** **drum up** **phase out** **lobby for**

1. New laws _____ changes to business practices.
2. The downward trend in the economy has _____ house prices.
3. I sent out fliers to _____ interest in our upcoming play.
4. The Green Party is _____ changes to the new environmental bill, citing that the bill does not go far enough in reducing carbon emissions.
5. Production of the iPhone 3g is being _____ to make way for the iPhone 4g.

8. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Food**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
All your eggs in one basket	If you put all your eggs in one basket, you risk everything at once, instead of trying to spread the risk.	This is often used as a <i>negative imperative</i> .	Don't put all your eggs in one basket .
Banana Republic	Banana republic is a term used for small countries that are dependent on a single crop or resource and governed badly by a corrupt elite.		Guatemala in the 1950s was seen as a banana republic , with a corrupt government and a high dependency on coffee, sugar cane and bananas.
Breadwinner	Used to describe the person that earns the most money.		I am the breadwinner in my family; soon I will be the only one who <u>brings home the bacon</u> .
Best thing since sliced bread	If something is the best thing since sliced bread, it is excellent.	The <i>greatest thing since sliced bread</i> , is also used	That party we had the other night was the best thing since sliced bread .
Apple of your eye	Someone that is very special to you is the 'apple of your' eye.		My wife is the apple of my eye .

9. Idiom Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct idiom into the correct sentence. You may need to change the verb form.

Apple of your eye breadwinner best thing since sliced bread
 banana republic all your eggs in one basket

- Both of them work, but Mary is the _____, as she has a better salary.
- A child is usually the _____ of their parents.
- It is sometimes dangerous to travel to countries that are seen as _____.

4. Apply to lots of universities for graduate school. Don't _____.

5. When the iPhone came out I thought it was the _____.

Topic 4 SEXUAL VIOLENCE

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

1. Accuse	Ac *c <u>u</u> se	6. Harassment	Ha *r <u>a</u> ss ment
2. Assault	As *s <u>a</u> ult	7. Rape	*R <u>a</u> pe
3. Convict	Con *v <u>i</u> ct	8. Molestation	Mo les *t <u>a</u> tion
4. Offense	Of *f <u>e</u> nse	9. Abuse	A *b <u>u</u> se
5. Perpetrator	*Per pe tra tor	10. Exploitation	Ex ploi *t <u>a</u> tion

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Accuse	<i>v</i>	To charge with a fault or offense	He was accused <u>of</u> rape and sentenced to 15 years in prison.	Followed by <i>of</i> or <i>by</i> .	Accuser n Accusingly adv Accusation n
2	Assault	<i>n</i>	A violent physical, or verbal attack	She was injured in a brutal assault .	Adjectives common before assault would be <i>sexual, brutal, violent, physical, indecent, aggravated...</i>	Assault v
3	Convict	<i>v</i>	Prove someone to be guilty of a crime	He was convicted <u>of</u> theft and sent down for 6 months.	Convict is usually followed by <i>of</i> something. We can use the synonym <i>charge with</i> also.	* Con vict n
4	Offense	<i>n</i>	A breach of a moral or social code	He was jailed for 3 weeks and fined €150 for each offense .	A synonym (in terms of the law) would be <i>misdemeanor</i>	Offensive adj Offend v
5	Perpetrator	<i>n</i>	Someone who produces, carries out, performs, or executes a crime	The attack was perpetrated by a street gang.		Perpetrate v Perpetration n

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Harassment	<i>n</i>	To annoy persistently	<u>Sexual</u> harassment in the workplace is an issue which needs addressing in Korea.	Usually proceeded by <i>sexual</i> .	Harass v Harasser n
7	Rape	<i>n</i>	Unlawful sexual activity and usually sexual intercourse carried out forcibly or under threat of injury against the will usually of a female or with a person who is beneath a certain age or incapable of valid consent	He was <u>accused of</u> rape and put away for 10 years.	Can be proceeded by adjectives <i>date, gang, statutory</i> .	Rape v Rapist n
8	Molestation	<i>n</i>	The act of making annoying sexual advances to; <i>especially</i> : to force physical and usually sexual contact on	He was sent to jail for the molestation of children.		Molest v Molester n
9	Abuse	<i>n</i>	Physical maltreatment	He subjected his wife to physical and emotional abuse .	Used commonly when talking about <i>sexual abuse, child abuse...</i>	Abuse v (z) Abuser n (z) Abusable adj (z)
10	Exploitation	n	The act of using someone meanly or unfairly for one's own advantage	The exploitation of young women in Ireland from North West Africa and Eastern Europe, particularly in relation to the sex trade, must be stopped.	Commonly used when talking about <i>migrant workers, workers in the sex trade, or child workers</i> .	Exploitability n Exploitable adj Exploiter n

3. Vocabulary Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ abuse | a. crime |
| 2. _____ rape | b. continued annoyance |
| 3. _____ offense | c. blame |
| 4. _____ accuse | d. non-consensual sex |
| 5. _____ harassment | e. bad treatment |

B. Choose the word from the list that is closest in meaning to the underlined part of each sentence. Write it in the blank.

exploitation perpetrator assault convict molestation

1. He was charged with murder and the judge threw away the key.
2. Children who work in sweat shops are used badly on a daily basis.
3. The criminal got away with €10,000 yesterday in a daring daylight robbery.
4. The man was arrested after a domestic attack on his wife.
5. In Ireland in the 1950s, the sexual abuse of children was commonplace among priests in the Catholic church.

4. Listening & Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Listen to and read a conversation about **Sexual Violence**.

Margaret & Seanan

3.41 seconds

S	Em I remember last year, my students were, were complaining about Chinese immigrants eh in in terms of there was a guy I think he was done for maybe murder and rape and murder. Eh I'm not sure if it was in Daegu or Seoul but he
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	was a Chinese immigrant and people were getting really anti-Chinese.
M	uh huh
S	Because of eh, of eh either what he did or what you know, the idea that many immigrants were em...
M	...doing stuff..
S	Yeah yeah, were raping Korean women and stuff like that you know.
M	It's awful.
S	...em...and I,I,I got really angry with the students cause the students were like really anti-Chinese and I was like well you know its not just Chinese people doing this, I,I mean it's, it's every culture and every nationality...
M	...sure every, every culture has it...
S	...and Korean men will do it, and Korean women will do it, I mean it's not just, not well maybe not rape, but violence in the home or whatever.
M	For sure oh I see it all the time. Well I see what I consider violence but...
S	...yeah
M	...yeah I suppose some of that is cultural what is appropriate behavior and what isn't.
S	Yeah, I mean even to me things like you know going down the street, to eh walking outside the cellphone street. You know em, the guy comes out of the cellphone shop and pulls the girl in to the store.
M	Ohhh that's scary.
S	You know, to me that, to me that's sexual violence.
M	Oh they are terrible.

S	You know...
M	...and they are so yeah...
S	...that's just something I'm not really...
M	...yeah...
S	...not cool with it.
M	Well I mean the whole, the whole, that sort of thing where they, they follow them because they've been told to follow people who are older.
S	Mmm.
M	I mean that that, that goes, the cab drivers that pick up elementary school students...
S	...yeah...
M	...and then instead of driving them home, drive them...
S	...off...
Mto the countryside and...
S	...yeah...
M	...and molest them.
S	Mm.
M	Yeah and...
S	...so the senior junior story...
M	...nobody talks about it.
S	No, I mean, well its...
M	...it's awful.
S	But in most societies its a taboo anyway that people don't really talk about it.

	Like I know in Ireland we had the, the sexual violence with the priests and the kids, like in the 50s you know and that only came to light in the 90s, em and eh early 2000s
M	I think in my culture in the United States though with the help of Oprah very very much...
S	...yeah...
M	...strongly, with the help of Oprah, we've become a society that, that really does talk about these taboo subjects...
S	...ahhahh...
M	...and its okay to say you were a victim and its okay to say something happened to you ahmm.
S	But that's because there's a, I mean there's an established sort of counseling and like support system you know available in the states I think and, and here for instance I don't know if that's even seen as a an option to go for family counseling...
M	...yeah, I don't know....
S	...or, or psychotherapy.
M	Well and I think, I can, what is considered inappropriate behavior if you will or or sexual violence or molestation, all of that, the definitions might be cultural...
S	...yeah...
M	...not the anyone is ever going to think its okay to take an elementary school kid off...
S	...yeah, yeah...

M	...and do things to them, but when you get older high school and college, boy that, that, that begins to get into that grey area.
S	Yeah yeah
M	Well she was drunk, well...
S	...well they had that guy...
M	...she was dressed a certain way, that's a very cultural...
S	They had that guy, they had that guy that guy in the states, was he a senator, a couple of weeks ago, a couple of months ago saying that em...
M	...ohh...
S	...talking about the right to a woman's body or the abortion issue and...
M	...the rape, rape, rape...
S	...yes he said...
M	...if you are legitimately raped a woman's body will reject...
S	...will reject the semen...
M	...the pregnancy...
S	...or the, the pregnancy which I...
M	...which it's just, I mean, but he was crucified in America for saying...
S	...absolutely...
M	...that.
S	Absolutely.
M	So, I mean it, I wonder what other cultures would say to that...
S	...yeah...
M	...cause in America he was crucified and rightly so...

S	...yeah...
M	...by my definitions.
S	Yeah.
M	I wonder in other cultures what...

5. Phrasal Verbs (The *MP3* is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Sexual Violence**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Lash out	Suddenly become violent		Inseparable No Object	She lashed out at her attacker and broke free.
Carry out	Perform a task	Assault Attack	Separable Object Carry + out + O Carry + OPr + out <i>Used more in the passive form when related to an assault or attack</i>	A GBH (Grievous Bodily Harm) assault was carried out last night on campus. Police are asking students to be on the alert for anybody suspicious.
Done for	To be likely to be punished, hurt, or killed		Inseparable Object Done + for + O	A: Do you think he will be let off? B: No, I think he will be done for it. He is guilty in my book.
Let off	Not punish		Separable Object Let + off + O Let + O + off Let + OPr + off	The judge let him off <u>with</u> a fine, not a prison sentences, as it was his first offence.
Get away	Escape		Inseparable No Object	The perp got away <u>with</u> €25,000.

6. Phrase Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Complete each sentence below by filling in the blank with the best phrasal verb from the list. Change the form of the phrasal verb if necessary. Use each phrasal verb only once.

lash out carry out get away let off done for

1. If I don't do my homework, do you think I will be able to _____ with it?
2. Don't worry, she'll just _____ you _____ with a slap on the wrist.
3. Quick run or we will be _____.
4. I have no idea what happened. One minute he was fine, then the next, he just _____ and hit me in the face.
5. A horrific attack was _____ last night in the alley behind the houses.

7. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Sexual Violence**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
Get off scot-free	To go unpunished, to be acquitted of a crime	UK - the phrase ' scot free ' comes from the 11 th century, when "scot" was a form of tax...so "scot free" was not paying tax, hence to get off scot-free, was to escape from being punished for not paying taxes.	The man was able to get off scot-free in the case involving his illegal transactions.
Do a runner	To run away from the law or commitment	British English	The criminal did not go to court, instead he did a runner and he is now at large.
A travesty of justice	A legal action that is an		The trial was a travesty of

	insult to the system of justice		justice and the dead girl's family were not happy with the result.
Give someone a slap on the wrist	To give someone light punishment	Usually use when talking about a <i>first offence</i> .	The judge gave <u>the young offender</u> a slap on the wrist and he was required to do some community work as compensation for his crime.
Face the music	To receive punishment or judgement for something wrong or illegal that you have done.		The young man was forced to face the music for the crimes that he had committed.

8. Idiom Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to each idiom in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ do a runner | a. a terrible result |
| 2. _____ get off scot-free | b. light punishment |
| 3. _____ give someone a slap on the wrist | c. no punishment |
| 4. _____ a travesty of justice | d. not shirk away from |
| 5. _____ face the music | e. escape |

Topic 5 CELEBRITIES

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

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|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 1. Glitzy | *Glit zy | 6. Egotistic | E go *tɪs tic |
| 2. Haughty | *Haugh ty | 7. Icon | *I con |
| 3. Scrutiny | *Scru ti ny | 8. Glamour | *Glam oor |
| 4. Ruthless | *Ruth less | 9. Spotlight | *Spot light |
| 5. Self-centered | Self – *cen tered | 10. Tabloid | *Tab loid |

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Glitzy	<i>adj</i>	Extravagant, showy	The Oscars is a glitzy event.		Glitz n Glitziness n
2	Haughty	<i>adj</i>	Too proud of oneself or ones achievements.	The haughty waiter looked down on me, because I was wearing a t-shirt.		Haughtily adv Haughtiness n
3	Scrutiny	<i>n</i>	A close watch	Celebrities are <u>under</u> scrutiny every day, from where they go, what they eat, to whom they meet.	Proceeded by <u>under</u>	
4	Ruthless	<i>adj</i>	Having no pity, cruel,	The tabloid papers in the UK are ruthless when it comes to photographing celebs.		Ruthlessly adv Ruthlessness n
5	Self-centered	<i>adj</i>	Concerned solely with one's own desires, needs, or interests	To be famous, you should be self-centered I guess.		Self-centeredly adv Self-centeredness n

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Egotistic	<i>adj</i>	An exaggerated sense of self importance	Sometimes celebrities are so egotistic , they think the word revolves around them.		Egotism n Egotist n Egotistical adj Egotistically adv
7	Icon	<i>n</i>	An object of uncritical devotion	Psy has become a pop icon all over the world.	Synonymous with <i>idol</i>	Iconic adj Iconically adv
8	Glamour	<i>n</i>	An exciting and fascinating attractiveness	Her movie career was filled with glitz and glamour .	Can be shortened to “ <i>glam</i> ” in slang.	Glamour v Glamourless adj
9	Spotlight	<i>n</i>	Public notice or attention	Celebrities love to <u>be in the</u> spotlight , their worst fear is not being talked about.	Usually preceded by “ <u>in the</u> ” Synonymous with “ <i>in the limelight</i> ”, or “ <i>the centre of attention</i> ”	
10	Tabloid	<i>adj</i>	A type of newspaper featuring stories of violence, crime, or scandal presented in a sensational manner	The actress is used to seeing her name in the tabloids .		Tabloidism n

3. Vocabulary Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

1. _____ **scrutiny** a. gentle
2. _____ **tabloid** b. unselfish
3. _____ **ruthless** c. broadsheet newspaper
4. _____ **glamour** d. drab
5. _____ **self-centered** e. not look at carefully

B. Choose the word from the list that is closest in meaning to the underlined part of each sentence. Write it in the blank.

spotlight icon egotistic haughty glitzy

1. That guy is so arrogant. He needs to be taken down a peg or two.
2. I could have hit him, he is so smug, why does he think he is always right.
3. Our graduation was a showy event.
4. Psy is popular now because of his new song.
5. George Clooney is a Hollywood idol.

4. Listening & Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Listen to and read a conversation about **Celebrities**.

Dave & Seanan

3.04 seconds

S	I don't know, celebrities are different, I mean, I think the worst thing that I've seen on TV was Big Brother and that seems to have started up all of these reality shows.
D	Lieges, lieges, seriously like, I can't stand any of them.
S	Well I mean the idea is that, I think William was telling me as well you know, famous for being famous, the usual stuff, the Paris Hilton crap.
D	Oh gimme me a break.
S	But people lap it up.
D	Why? Give me a good reason why?
S	I know, you know...

D	I mean what, I mean seriously, I mean, I do not understand any of these programs.
S	I mean Spain is not alone here, I mean America, or not Spain but eh...
D	Korea.
S	Korea's not alone, Americans love it, Irish love it, Spanish adore this stuff.
D	I do not understand this at all.
S	If you sneeze like you're in the newspaper.
D	I don't understand this, I mean seriously, em, what, what is it, what is it the one, what is it the one that's here in Korea, K, Star, Super Star, Super Star K.
S	Yeah, yeah.
D	I can't watch it.
S	Well I mean okay, there is another argument in terms of em, like you know, Susan Boyle and em...
D	Yeah.
S	There's that opera singer guy.
D	Oh the, I know the guy you are talking about.
S	I forget his name, but you know, the odd time there is talent.
D	Uh huh.
S	You know and I, Susan Boyle maybe is talented, but the odd time there is talent and it gives them, it does give them an opportunity to show it.
D	This, that's fair enough.
S	But, it's odd.
D	But, and, even with, even with that like I mean how much absolute drudgery to

	you have to sift through before you get one of those. And I mean, it's not just that, I mean, you know, if it was actually you know kind of a talent program.
S	Mmmmmm.
D	Then you know, fair enough, why not.
S	Yeah
D	Why not if you want, people like singing, people like dancing, stuff like that, yeah put it on TV, but why do we have to have all this crap, with like these...
S	Surrounding the show
D	These idiot panel judges, just just, like lapping in up and...
S	Becoming more famous than than they are you know.
D	Ah hmm.
S	You know.
D	Of course you, American Idol's kind of the benchmark for all of them with your Simon, Simon Cowan's and then you have to have the whole thing about, oh well we've got the inter-panel rivalry that you know.
S	Yeah.
D	Paula Abdul hates Simon Cowan.
S	The nice guy, the horrible guy.
D	And Simon Cowan got this girl kicked off the panel 'cause he's so powerful and em oh, the audience they really love this guy but the panel decided it wasn't, this is wrong.
S	Yeah, yeah.
D	It's like shut up.

S	Well I mean, the idea is that I mean, it creates TV, is that the idea?
D	Is that what TV is?
S	It creates entertainment.
D	Is that what entertainment is?
S	It is these days, isn't it?
D	Oh my God please.
S	Look after, after Big Brother, you know watching someone sleeping for 24 hours a day and people are hooked on that you know, em who didn't brush his teeth in the morning, you know, that was the latest news.
D	Oh no nononono...now that you mentioned Big Brother, the best one of them all, the Pies de Resistance.
S	Hmm.
D	Ahm, have you ever watch Jersey Shore?

5. Extra Phrases (The *MP3* is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Celebrities**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Blow away	To impress very strongly and usually favorably	the competition	Separable Object Blow + away + O Blow + O + away Blow + OPr + away	She blew the competition_away at the audition. Her voice was amazing.
Cash in on	To obtain advantage or financial profit	fame	Inseparable Object Cash + in + on + O	He was given numerous offers to cash in on his fame , but he refused.

Get into	Become involved or interested in		Inseparable Object Get + into + O	When she was 14, she got into dance, later she got into theatre, then the screen.
Come across	The way other people see you...your attitude.		Inseparable No Object	I know she is a celebrity, but she comes across as a total idiot.
Act up	Behave badly or strangely		Inseparable No Object	Some celebrities are always in the tabloids for acting up in public, you know getting drunk, fighting etc...

6. Phrasal Verb Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

act up get into blow away cash in on come across

1. I was watching an interview with Jang Dong Gwon the other day and he _____ as a nice guy.
2. Harrison Ford _____ acting by accident. He was a carpenter on the set of Star Wars and was picked by the director for the part of Han Solo.
3. I was _____ by her acting. She really is a talented young actress.
4. A lot of celebs _____ their new born boy's photos, by selling them to magazines.
5. I heard that some of the girls in Girls Generation _____ a lot, demanding fresh fruit and Evian water every day.

7. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Celebrities**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
Star struck	Fascinated by or exhibiting a fascination with fame or famous people:		One of my friends is so star struck with Brad Pitt, she is always online checking out his latest info.
Claim to fame	Someone's reason for being well-known or famous.		Her claim to fame is that she can lift a man up by her teeth.
Cream of the crop	The best of all, among all		She is a great dancer. She is the cream of the crop . No one comes close to her talent.
Judge a book by its cover	Make judgments based only on appearances	Usually used in a negative sense... 'don't judge a book by its cover'	That girl on TV looks like an idiot. Don't judge a book by its cover ; I heard she is very smart.
Make a name for oneself	To gain fame		He made a name for himself in the music business, by producing Eminem's latest album.

8. Idiom Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to each idiom in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ judge a book by its cover | a. the best |
| 2. _____ cream of the crop | b. in awe |
| 3. _____ star struck | c. jump to conclusions |
| 4. _____ make a name for oneself | d. special talent |
| 5. _____ claim to fame | e. be known for |

Topic 6 RELIGION

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

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|-------------------|------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Deify | *De i fy | 6. Fundamentalism | Fun da men tal ism |
| 2. Sect | *Sect | 7. Sermon | *Ser mon |
| 3. Martyr | *Mar tyr | 8. Orthodox | *Or tho dox |
| 4. Secular | *Sec u lar | 9. Pious | *Pi ous |
| 5. Rite | *Rite | 10. Agnostic | Ag *nos tic |

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Deify	<i>v</i>	To worship as a god	When people deify the leader of their country, the leader is able to abuse power more easily.		deity <i>n</i>
2	Sect	<i>n</i>	A religious group whose beliefs are different from the beliefs of an established religion, usually in a way that most people do not approve of (similar to a cult)	The leader of the Moonies sect , Sun Myung Moon, died a few months ago.		
3	Martyr	<i>n</i>	A person who voluntarily suffers death as the penalty of witnessing to and refusing to renounce a religion	He died a martyr for his cause.		Martyr <i>v</i> Martyrdom <i>n</i>
4	Secular	<i>adj</i>	Not religious, or not connected with religion	We live in an increasingly secular society, in which religion has less and less influence on our daily lives.		
5	Rite	<i>n</i>	The ceremonial practices of a church or group of churches	Incense is often burned in their religious rites .		Ritual <i>n</i>

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Fundamentalism	<i>n</i>	A movement or attitude stressing strict and literal adherence to a set of basic principles	Religious fundamentalism is a danger in today's world, with many extreme groups fighting each other over religious differences.		Fundamentalist n Fundamentalist adj Fundamentalistic adj
7	Sermon	<i>n</i>	A religious discourse delivered in public usually by a clergyman as a part of a worship service	He preached a sermon on the importance of kindness.		Sermonic adj
8	Orthodox	<i>adj</i>	Relating to a conservative religious group	He belongs to the Russian Orthodox Church.		Orthodoxly adv
9	Pious	<i>adj</i>	Having or exhibiting religious reverence	Sometimes she was so pious that the rest of us felt like heathens.		Piousness n, Piety n, Piously adv
10	Agnostic	<i>adj</i>	Believing that humans cannot know whether there is a god	His devoutly Christian parents had problems with his agnostic beliefs.		Agnostic n, Agnosticism n

3. Vocabulary Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

1. _____ **pious** a. believer
2. _____ **secular** b. mainstream religion
3. _____ **sect** c. religious
4. _____ **agnostic** d. non-conservative
5. _____ **orthodox** e. weak faith

B. Choose the word from the list that is closest in meaning to the underlined part of each sentence. Write it in the blank.

sermon fundamentalism rite deify martyr

1. Some people worship actors, I have no idea why.
2. I'm not a believer in extreme religions; I think most religions are dangerous.
3. He sacrificed himself for the cause, believing that he would go to a better place if he killed himself.
4. In the Catholic Church, drinking wine is a ritual.
5. The priest gave a speech during the mass, asking people to help each other in these times of economic difficulty.

4. Listening & Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Listen to and read a conversation about **Religion**.

William & Seanan

3.44 seconds

S	I was reading, you sent me that thing the other day, what was it em, science is what, science
W	Sends somebody
S	Flies you to the moon and em religion flies you into em.
W	Yeah I showed that to my wife. It was quite, quite interesting little cartoon or
S	Hmm.
W	Saying.
S	Yep, I downloaded it from a wallpaper website but I...
W	Oh yeah, I didn't get the other one, the other one where the, I think it's the,

	everybody is holding up.
S	Yeah, I think it's power structure.
W	Yeah
S	Religion, the priests.
W	The Pyramid structure, instead of your food pyramid or anything like that.
S	Em, that's the way I took it, I don't know maybe I should look at it more closer, maybe it's a gay dance party thing.
W	That's lovely. But em.
S	It's not recording is it.
W	It is yeah.
S	But I think the idea of em, em, I guess I mean you're American, you know what happened in Libya the other day and it's been happening around the world now since, I don't know, did you see that movie?
W	Let me answer, I'm sorry...
S	Em.
W	What was his name anyway?
S	The guy eh, Terry Jones, you mean the minister who supported...
W	Yeah.
S	Yeah the nut job.
W	Yeah. Say I guess we...
S	Uh huh, but em, seems to have insighted a lot of hatred around the world I don't know.
W	Yeah the eh, the video of.

S	Did you see it?
W	Peace of Muslims or something like that is that what it said.
S	Something anti Islam.
W	Yeah, but I mean the title of it eh, yeah, no I watched a part of the clip, but it's so poorly done it's hard to watch it, like the words, it's like a bad green screen behind the people.
S	But I mean is that being, is it released in terms of, it's only an online thing isn't it, it's not a movie theatre.
W	Ah it's not yeah, I think they might, were gonna do it in some theatre, but they released a few months ago, they released a trailer I think, but just recently like, the last few days, it got translated into Arabic and eh, then I was reading a story this morning about it, the eh, one of the guys behind it that raised the money.
S	Hmm.
W	Is a Coptic Christian from Egypt.
S	Oh okay.
W	Living in the States, but now he's, he's had a really dodgy past. He's been arrested several times.
S	Uh huh.
W	Federally for like fraud and cheating people out of their money, stuff like that.
S	It's always the best people who make these movies, uh, you know.
W	So, eh, but I mean I watched a clip, it was like a 14 minute clip, so I couldn't make it through, it was just so, I mean.
S	You mean bad, just poor quality.

W	Yeah I mean just the production quality was just absolute.
S	'Cause the actors.
W	Garbage.
S	The actors are distancing themselves.
W	Yes, that's what I read on this story this morning, one of the guys who's like the Roman guard or something like that.
S	Yeah.
W	He said, like, I just went out in the desert and.
S	Put on a costume.
W	Put on a costume and eh, said one line and eh.
S	But I don't know.
W	Made \$75 a day.
S	Well there you go, you're not going to turn down money in this economy.
W	Well that's what he said, he said people had raised questions about the eh dialogue.
S	Yeah.
W	They go to the San Basille, or Basall, and eh, that he might just change something but it was still just as crazy, and they're like, they're all like low rent actors or whatever.
S	Well.
W	Not many choices.
S	Low actors and probably just eh, what do you call those emem, extras. You know, a lot of extras.

W	And so you know, they're getting \$75 a day or whatever, it's like, I'm not gonna...
S	Still, yeah yeah, but it seems like, your embassy was attacked, another one was, they are all being attacked now it seems to me, 3 or 4 countries you know.

5. Extra Phrases (The *MP3* is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Religion**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Set out	To arrange and present graphically or systematically		Separable Object Set + out + O Set + O + out Set + OPr + out	The Bible sets out 10 Commandments to live your life by.
Pass on	To give someone something that someone else has given you	Information Stories	Separable Object Pass + on + O Pass + O + on Pass + Opr + on	Stories are passed on from generation to generation, hopefully preserving culture and tradition.
Ask for	To speak or write to someone because you want them to give you something		Separable Object Ask + for + O Ask + O + for Ask + OPr + for	Some people pray to ask for forgiveness.
Believe in	To think that someone or something exists		Inseparable Object Believe + in + O	I'm not sure if I believe in a God or not, I'm still on the fence about it.
Convert to	To change from one thing to another		Inseparable Object Convert + to + O	When I was 18, I thought of converting to Buddhism, but I soon gave up that notion.

6. Phrasal Verb Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

convert to ask for believe in set out pass on

1. In Irish culture, our traditions were _____ to others by word of mouth.
2. I need to _____ this money _____ Euros. How much is the commission?
3. I _____ a plan to go to England this winter.
4. I don't normally _____ help, but I'm broke. Can you lend me some money?
5. I don't _____ ghosts, do you?

7. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Religion**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
Act high and mighty	To act proud and powerful	This idiom is almost always used in a negative way	Our boss always acts high-and-mighty when he is at a meeting.
As hot as hell	Very hot		Daegu is as hot as hell in the summer.
As ugly as sin	Very ugly		Our dog is as ugly as sin but we love him.
When hell freezes over	Never		I'll stop eating pizza when hell freezes over .
Speak of the devil	To mention someone's name and then have that person appear		" Speak of the devil . My friend has just arrived."

8. Idiom Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each idiom in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ when hell freezes over | a. humble |
| 2. _____ as ugly as sin | b. cold |
| 3. _____ act high-and-mighty | c. beautiful |
| 4. _____ as hot as hell | d. not here |
| 5. _____ speak of the devil | e. soon |

Topic 7 SPORT

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

1. Spectator	*Spec ta tor	6. Compete	Com *pete
2. Televise	*Te le vise	7. Physique	Phy *sique
3. Opponent	*Op po nent	8. Kit	*K <u>i</u> t
4. Exhilarating	Ex *h <u>i</u> l a rat ing	9. Beat	*Be <u>a</u> t
5. Tactics	*Tac tics	10. Sporty	*Spor ty

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Spectator	<i>n</i>	A person who watches an event	Spectators can add a lot to sporting events by creating an exciting atmosphere.		Spectator adj Spectatorial adj Spectatorship n
2	Televise	<i>v</i>	To broadcast by television	One problem I had with the Olympics this year was that only Korean sports were televised .		
3	Opponent	<i>n</i>	The person one competes against in a contest or a game; rival	Roger Federer's opponent in the Wimbledon final was Rafael Nadal.		Opposite n Oppose v Opposition n
4	Exhilarating	<i>adj</i>	To make cheerful and excited	Watching the 100 meters final with Usain Bolt is exhilarating .		Exhilaratingly adv Exhilarative adj
5	Tactics	<i>n</i>	An action or strategy planned to achieve an objective	Players use tactics such as attacking their opponent's weaknesses in order to win.		Tactical adj Tactician n

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Compete	<i>v</i>	To take part in a contest or a competition	Over 10,000 athletes will compete in the Olympic Games.		Competitor n Competition n
7	Physique	<i>n</i>	The form or shape of a person's body	Rugby players work hard in the gym to build up their physiques .		Physical adj
8	Kit	<i>n</i>	Clothes and equipment needed for a sport	I forgot my kit , I can't do P.E. today.		
9	Beat	<i>v</i>	To defeat someone in a game, competition, election, or battle	England needed to beat Germany to get to the final.		
10	Sporty	adj	a sporty person likes playing sport and plays regularly	Do you remember Sporty Spice? She was called that because she always wore sports clothes and she was a football fan.	Can be used to describe a person, clothes and a car.	Sportily adv Sportiness n

3. Vocabulary Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ spectator | a. lose |
| 2. _____ sporty | b. friend |
| 3. _____ beat | c. play for fun |
| 4. _____ opponent | d. couch potato |
| 5. _____ compete | e. player |

B. Choose the word from the list that is closest in meaning to the underlined part of each sentence. Write it in the blank.

kit physique tactics exhilarating televised

1. Will the game be broadcasted tonight?
2. Golf is not exactly an exciting sport, unlike Moto Gp, wow that's fast.
3. The coach told his player his plans before the game.
4. Swimmers have a very strong build, with very wide shoulders.
5. I like Arsenal's new sportswear.

4. Listening & Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Listen to and read a conversation about **Sport**.

Dave & Seanan

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S	So I was watching, I watched some of the Olympics, em.
D	I was going to ask you actually how much of it did you watch?
S	Quite a bit, but I mean, the problem living over here, all I get to see is eh, on TV, all I get to see is the Korean events you know so.
D	Ah yeah.
S	I'm learning about archery, I'm learning about Judo and things like this which
D	Actually I like the archery, I can, I have no interest in the Judo.
S	It's cool but I mean, and then watching someone win a medal for the 100th time repeated on TV.
D	Yeah.

S	It's weird 'cause you know, I guess the Irish one, the Irish interest this time was boxing and horse riding.
D	Eh, don't forget sailing.
S	And sailing. But em, the facebook things were like, the Irish are good for two things you know, fighting and riding you know.
D	Hahaha.
S	But eh, eh of course I didn't get to see any of that, because I live here you know.
D	And the time difference was dreadful for most of the big events, especially athletics.
S	Pretty horrible. But em, I don't know, it's nice to watch it, I mean, I guess I'm more interested in swimming and the running, you know the 100 metres, maybe...
D	I don't like the swimming.
S	No?
D	No. The running of course. Well to me track and field is the Olympics.
S	Yeah, yeah, yeah.
D	Em.
S	Fencing, eh for some reason I was watching fencing because they all have lots of fencers here and...
D	That's right. Did you see the one where the
S	Girl
D	The Korean girl who, actually she had to stay on the stage, not on the stage, on the podium.

S	She stayed there for ages, didn't she, I didn't see it, but I saw the...
D	She had to, apparently if she'd, if she'd gone off, what do they call it, it's not a podium, what the hell do they call it?
S	It looks like a kind of a runway or a catwalk.
D	Yeah it does, doesn't it, but appar..., as far as I understand anyway, she had to stay there until either the protest was registered or in until the protest had been heard. If she'd, if she'd...
S	That's why she sat down for...
D	Yeah, if she'd left it would have meant that she accepted the ruling of the judges and it would have em, once her foot stepped on the floor, then that was it, there was no, there was no recourse.
S	Well I mean, okay, I'm sure there were hundreds of bad decisions at the Olympics.
D	Uh huh.
S	But it's, it is again, it's, it's em, magnified over here because all we see are the Korean
D	Right
S	Disciplines you know. I mean I don't know if Germany had many complaints or Ireland had many complaints, I'm not sure you know, but here it was eh, that girl and then I think em
D	The badminton.
S	The badminton and I then there was something else like volleyball.
D	That was, that was, no, swimming.

S	Swimming. Oh Park.
D	Park Tae Hwan.
S	Yeah, yeah, yeah.
D	He was disqualified for a false start, then he was reinstated.
S	And of course, that psychologically screws him up.
D	Yep.
S	And he came second or something.
D	I don't think he would have won anyway.
S	Probably not, the Chinese looked fantastic and then the Americans.
D	Ehhhh, I eh hahaha.
S	You think the old drugs, drugs popped in there?
D	Well listen here, you've got a 16 year old Chinese female swimmer who manages to swim a, what is it, a hundred metre, yeah the final hundred metres faster than the guy who won the gold medal in the men's thing, you know.
S	That's kind of weird.
D	You know, you know.
S	Suspect.
D	Suspect, to say the least, suspect to say the least.

5. Phrases (The *MP3* is available online)

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Sport**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Gear up	Getting ready for something that is going to happen soon.		Inseparable No Object	Millions of fans are gearing up to watch England's crucial World Cup quarter-final against Brazil.
Ease through	To win with comparative ease and move into the next round of the competition		Inseparable No Object	Martina Hingis eased through to the Wimbledon third round on Wednesday after beating Jing-Qian Yi 6-4, 6-1.
Crash out	To lose at a game		Inseparable No Object	England crashed out of the World Cup after a 2-1 defeat to Brazil.
Chuck away	Throw away, as if you don't need something	Points	Separable Object Chuck + away + O Chuck + O + away Chuck + OPr + away	We were bitterly disappointed not to have won and it was another two points chucked away in the end.
Come through	Produce a result		Inseparable No Object	I hope Arsenal will come through this season and win the league.

6. Phrasal Verb Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

gear up crash out ease through come through chuck away

1. Murray _____ to the finals of the US open and went on to win it.
2. Don't _____ your life. Get off those drugs!
3. I'm going to _____ for the winter. I need new clothes.
4. Ireland _____ of the Euro Finals last year with dismal results.
5. Henry came through an injury scare to play in the final.

7. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Sport**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
Drop the ball	To make a blunder; to fail in some way.		She was looking at you. Why didn't you go over and talk to her? You dropped the ball there man.
Jump the gun	To do something too soon, especially without thinking carefully about it		We do not want to jump the gun by making a statement about what caused the explosion before the investigation is completed.
Run with it	To do something independently		You just have to give them the job and let them run with it .
In full swing	At the peak of activity; moving fast or efficiently.		The party is in full swing now. Earlier it was dead.

Touch base	To talk to someone in order to find out how they are or what they think about something	Usually + with	I had a really good time in Paris. I touched base with some old friends and made a few new ones.
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8. Idiom Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each idiom in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ touch base | a. just started |
| 2. _____ run with it | b. slow |
| 3. _____ jump the gun | c. teamwork |
| 4. _____ drop the ball | d. lose contact |
| 5. _____ in full swing | e. succeed |

Topic 8 ENVIRONMENT

1. Vocabulary (The *MP3* is available online)

1. Anticipate	An *tj ci pate	6. Flood	*Flood
2. Catastrophic	Ca ta *stro phic	7. Impact	*Im pact
3. Collide	Co *llide	8. Persevere	Per se *vere
4. Eruption	E *rup tion	9. Plunge	*Plunge
5. Famine	*Fa mine	10. Unleash	Un *leash

2. Definitions and Samples (The *MP3* is available online)

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	Anticipate	<i>v</i>	To expect; to sense something before it happens	By placing sensors in earthquake-prone areas, scientists can anticipate some tremors in time to warn the public.		Anticipation n, Anticipatory adj
2	Catastrophic	<i>adj</i>	Extremely harmful; causing financial or physical ruin	The architect died in a catastrophic elevator accident.		Catastrophe n, Catastrophically adv
3	Collide	<i>v</i>	To come together with great or violent force	As usual, their holiday was ruined when their in-laws' views on politics collided with their own.		Collision n
4	Eruption	<i>n</i>	A sudden, often violent, outburst	The eruption of Mount St. Helens in 1980 caused 57 deaths and immeasurable change to the face of the mountain.	Eruption is often followed by an “ <i>of</i> ” phrase.	Erupt v
5	Famine	<i>n</i>	Severe hunger; a drastic food shortage	The potato famine in Ireland in the mid-nineteenth century caused large numbers of Irish people to emigrate to America.		

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
6	Flood	<i>n</i>	An overflowing of water. An excessive amount.	The constant rain and poor drainage system caused a flood in town. The political party sent out a flood of letters criticizing their opponents.		Flood v
7	Impact	<i>n</i>	A strong influence	The speech about the importance of education made an impact on me.	Impact is usually followed by “ <i>on</i> ” or “ <i>of</i> ”	Impact v
8	Persevere	<i>v</i>	To keep going, despite obstacles or discouragement; to maintain a purpose	The hikers persevered despite the bad weather and the icy trail.		Persist v, Persistent adj
9	Plunge	<i>v</i>	To go down suddenly. To decrease by a great amount in a short time	He jumped off the diving board and plunged into the pool. The value of the company’s stock plunged after its chief executive was arrested.	Plunge is often followed by an “ <i>into</i> ” phrase.	Plunge n
10	Unleash	<i>v</i>	To release a thing or an emotion	When they saw the strange man on their property, they unleashed their dogs. He is from such an unemotional family, he will never learn to unleash his feelings.		

3. Vocabulary Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

A. Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each word in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| _____ | 1. persevere | (a) to pass by without hitting |
| _____ | 2. anticipate | (b) to give up |
| _____ | 3. famine | (c) to not see something coming |
| _____ | 4. collide | (d) harmless |
| _____ | 5. catastrophic | (e) excess of food |

B. Circle the word that best completes each sentence

1. Residents of Hawaii must accept the possibility of a volcanic (**eruption** / **perseverance**).
2. Years after the accident, she was finally able to (**anticipate** / **unleash**) her feelings of anger.
3. Houses along the river often face (**famine** / **flooding**) during the rainy season.
4. Many people think it is cruel to (**collide** / **plunge**) live lobsters into boiling water.
5. A well-written essay should make some kind of (**catastrophe** / **impact**) on its readers.

4. Reading (The *MP3* is available online)

Read the passage to review the vocabulary you have learned. Answer the questions that follow.

Nature challenges humans in many ways, through disease, weather, and *famine*. For those living along the coast, one unusual phenomenon capable of *catastrophic* destruction is the tsunami (pronounced “tsoo-NAH-mee”). A tsunami is a series of waves generated in a body of water by an impulsive disturbance. Earthquakes, landslides, volcanic *eruptions*, explosions, and even the *impact* of meteorites can generate tsunamis. Starting at sea, a tsunami slowly approaches land, growing in height and losing energy through bottom friction and turbulence. Still, just like any other water waves, tsunamis *unleash* tremendous energy as they *plunge* onto the shore. They have great erosion potential, stripping beaches of sand, undermining trees, and *flooding* hundreds of meters inland. They can easily crush cars, homes, vegetation, and anything they *collide* with.

To minimize the devastation of a tsunami, scientists are constantly trying to *anticipate* them more accurately and more quickly. Because many factors come together to produce a life-threatening tsunami, foreseeing them is not easy. **Despite this**, researchers in meteorology *persevere* in studying and predicting tsunami behavior.

Bonus Structure— Despite this means “even so; regardless.”

5. Reading Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

- A. Which sentence best expresses the essential information of this passage?
- a. Tsunamis could become a new source of usable energy in the next hundred years.
 - b. Tsunamis do more damage to the land than flooding.
 - c. Tsunamis can have an especially catastrophic impact on coastal communities.
 - d. Scientists can predict and track tsunamis with a fair degree of accuracy, reducing their potential impact.
- B. In the first sentence, why does the author mention **weather**?
- a. because tsunamis are caused by bad weather
 - b. because tsunamis are more destructive than weather phenomena
 - c. as an example of a destructive natural force
 - d. as an introduction to the topic of coastal storms

6. Extra Phrases (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Phrasal Verbs* are very common in relation to **Disasters and the Environment**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Structure	Example
Blow over	A storm which passes by causing little or no damage.	storm	Inseparable No Object	We are hoping that the storm will blow over .
Cave in	To collapse, to fall in on.	roof	Inseparable No Object	Two people were injured when the roof of their home caved in under the weight of the snow.
Clean up	To tidy up a place after a disaster.	mess	Separable Object Clean + up + O Clean + O +up Clean + OPr + up	As soon as the water started receding, we began the clean-up process.
Ride out	To wait patiently during a storm until it is over.	storm	Separable Object Ride + out + O Ride + O + out Ride + OPr + out	You should carefully choose and prepare a safe place to ride out the storm .
Rip through	To move through a place quickly causing a lot of damage and destruction.		Inseparable No Object	Twenty-four families are still without a home after fire ripped through their apartment complex on Tuesday.

7. Phrasal Verb Practice (The *MP3* is available online)

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

blow over cave in rip through clean up ride out

1. After the disaster volunteers from around the world helped _____ the mess.
2. The fire _____ the house, killing one person and injuring another.
3. The trapped miners have been underground for 5 days now, following the devastating _____ last week.
4. Local radio channels are asking people to _____ the heavy winds in underground shelters and not to venture outside until the storm passes.
5. The storm due to hit this evening might _____ as strong winds from the east are pushing it further west.

8. Idioms (The *MP3* is available online)

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **the Environment**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
Ripple effect	When an action has an effect on something, which in turn affects something else, it is said to have a ripple effect.		Car pollution has a ripple effect on the environment, adding to global warming.
Hear the grass grow	To hear very well due to being in an exceptionally quiet environment.		On Sunday morning I walked outside, and you could hear the grass grow . All the kids were still in bed.
Fresh off the boat	Newly arrived from a foreign place, especially as an immigrant who is still unfamiliar with the customs and language of		People who are fresh off the boat in Daegu might find it difficult to get around the city.

	his or her new environment.		
Down to earth	Down to earth describes someone or something that is free of pretension and doesn't put on airs, but who is instead simple and straight-forward.		An example of down to earth is a person who buys a nice cozy farmhouse instead of a giant mansion.
A recipe for disaster	If you refer to a plan or an idea as a recipe for disaster, you think it is likely to produce bad results.		Transporting oil around the world by oil tanker has always seemed to me like a recipe for disaster .

9. Idiom Practice (The **MP3** is available online)

Find the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the opposite of each idiom in the left-hand column. Write the letter in the blank.

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| 1. _____ down to earth | a. someone who has been in a place a long time |
| 2. _____ hear the grass grow | b. no problem |
| 3. _____ ripple effect | c. noisy |
| 4. _____ fresh off the boat | d. not a nice person |
| 5. _____ a recipe for disaster | e. a contained action |