

Workbook Listeners

Introduction

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Hi! My name is Kathy and this is my family. That's me in the picture. I've got a grey and white school bag. It's got my name on it – K for Kathy ... Miller. I've got a ruler, too. Those are my grandparents. Their names are Ruth and Charles – Ruth and Charles Gordon. They're fantastic grandparents and I love them. My sister, Kim, is in the picture. She's got markers and a book. Kim is seven years old. Her birthday is on 2nd July. That's my big brother, Thomas. Thomas is 16 years old. His birthday is in July, too. It's 23rd July. Um ... oh, yes – those are my parents. My dad's name is Gary and my mum is Lauren. Mum has got a birthday in September – 28th September. It's her fortieth birthday!

Unit 1

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- Lee:** Hi, Diana!
- Diana:** Hi, Lee. Who is that girl with your sister?
- Lee:** The girl with my sister? The tall girl with long hair?
- Diana:** Yes.
- Lee:** Oh, that's the new girl in her class at school. She's my sister's new friend.
- Diana:** What's her name?
- Lee:** Michelle.
- Diana:** Where's she from?
- Lee:** She's from Quebec. That's in Canada. She knows French and English because they speak French and English at her school in Quebec.
- Diana:** Wow! French and English!
- Lee:** And she's a really good basketball player ... She's got a brother in Year 8. His name is Brad and he plays basketball, too. That's two basketball players in one family. Brad is very good-looking!
- Diana:** Brad. That's a nice name. What does he look like?
- Lee:** Well, he's got green eyes and curly, brown hair. He's tall and thin and very athletic.
- Diana:** Oh, I love green eyes and curly hair! What's he like? Is he friendly?
- Lee:** He's quiet, but he's very nice. And he's very clever.
- Diana:** What's his favourite music?
- Lee:** I don't know. Let's ask him ... there he is! Brad ... !

Unit 2

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- Mum:** Hi, Tom.
- Tom:** Hi, Mum. Where are you?
- Mum:** I'm in the Japanese supermarket. You know – the market with all the Japanese food. Do you want teriyaki fish for dinner? Your father loves teriyaki fish.
- Tom:** Erm, no, thank you. I don't like fish. Are sausages Japanese? I want sausages with beans and potatoes for dinner.
- Mum:** They haven't got any sausages here, but there are some beans and potatoes. There's some sushi, too.
- Tom:** I don't like sushi. Is there any chicken with rice?
- Mum:** No, sorry, there isn't any chicken with rice. But they've got chicken with corn.
- Tom:** I don't like corn. Is there any pizza?
- Mum:** Tom, pizza isn't Japanese! But there is a pizza restaurant in the street. What type of pizza do you want?
- Tom:** Pizza with onions and tomatoes is my favourite.
- Mum:** OK. How many people are there for dinner today?
- Tom:** I've got a friend here. His name is Pierre and he's from France. Dad's here, too, so that's four of us.
- Mum:** What type of pizza does Pierre like?
- Tom:** What type of pizza do you like, Pierre? He likes pizza with onions and tomatoes, too. Oh, Mum, are there any strawberries for dessert?
- Mum:** Yes, there's a basket of strawberries at home. There's some ice cream, too.
- Tom:** Mmm, ice cream and strawberries! Delicious! Thanks, Mum. See you soon.

Unit 3

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- Maya:** Have you got a pet, Ben?
- Ben:** Yes, I have. But it isn't a dog or a cat.
- Maya:** What is it?
- Ben:** It's a chicken.
- Maya:** A chicken! Chickens aren't pets. They're farm animals!
- Ben:** Chickens usually live on farms, but they're great pets, too. They're very friendly.
- Maya:** What's your chicken's name?
- Ben:** Her name's Penny.
- Maya:** What colour is she?
- Ben:** She's black and white.
- Maya:** Does Penny live in the house with you?
- Ben:** No, she doesn't. She lives outside the house, but she comes into the house for meals.
- Maya:** What does Penny eat?

Ben: Well, she doesn't usually eat our food. But we sometimes give her some vegetables or brown bread. She loves that.

Maya: So she likes vegetables and bread. What other food does she eat?

Ben: We buy special chicken food for her.

Maya: Is Penny clever? What does she do?

Ben: She's very clever! She likes walking with me so she sometimes waits for me next to the door.

Maya: Do you get any eggs from Penny?

Ben: Yes, we do. There's an egg every day. Penny's eggs are big and brown.

Maya: What do you do with the eggs?

Ben: We usually have them for breakfast.

Unit 4

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Shawn: Hi, Gail. What are you reading?

Gail: Oh, hi, Shawn. I'm reading an article about cinemas. People don't go to the cinema because they've got big TVs at home, so many cinemas are closing.

Shawn: I know. Do you know the cinema next to the museum? It's a beautiful old building and it's got great new films every week, but people don't go there.

Gail: I never go to the cinema. I take films from the library and I watch them at home.

Shawn: The library hasn't got any new films. I like watching new films, and I love the cinema. My friends and I usually go two or three times a month. We always buy popcorn and drinks. It's fun.

Gail: Which cinema do you go to?

Shawn: Henley Film Palace is my favourite.

Gail: Henley Film Palace? Where's that?

Shawn: It's opposite the bank on Henley Street.

Gail: Opposite the bank? Oh, yes, I know it. Do many people go there?

Shawn: No, they don't. It's never full.

Gail: Which films are at Henley Film Palace at the moment?

Shawn: I don't know. Let's look on the Internet. Oh, the new James Bond film is there.

Gail: Well, I love James Bond, and I don't want the cinema to close. ... So let's go and see it tonight.

Shawn: Great!

Unit 5

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Clark: What sports do you do, Jenny?

Jenny: I go surfing every Saturday.

Clark: Do you surf well?

Jenny: I surf quite well. I practise for hours.

Clark: I like surfing, but I can't surf at all well.

Jenny: You must practise. I can give you some lessons.

Clark: OK. Thanks! We can start the surfing lessons on Saturday.

Jenny: Great! What sports can you do well, Clark?

Clark: I can run very fast. I often go running.

Jenny: I can't run at all fast.

Clark: I love cycling, too.

Jenny: I haven't got a bike, so I never go cycling.

Clark: Do you want to go cycling now? You can use my sister's bike.

Jenny: Your sister's bike. That's great! But I can't go right now. I've got homework. Can we go at two o'clock?

Clark: Yes, we can. I haven't got any homework.

Jenny: I've always got homework! Do you want to meet at the park at two o'clock?

Clark: That's not a good idea. I can't go to the park with two bikes!

Jenny: Oh! Of course not. So let's meet at your house.

Clark: OK. See you at my house at two o'clock.

Unit 6

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Dan: Would you like to see this DVD tonight, Ellen?

Ellen: What is it?

Dan: It's a film called *Challenge*. Gregory Grant is in it.

Ellen: Oh, I like Gregory Grant. He's an amazing actor. What type of film is it?

Dan: *Challenge*? It's a drama.

Ellen: I don't usually like dramas. They're boring.

Dan: But this film looks interesting.

Ellen: Well, what's it about?

Dan: It's about the Olympics in Los Angeles in 1984.

Ellen: Sorry, Dan, but I don't want to see it. I don't enjoy films about sport and I hate the Olympics.

Dan: What types of films do you like?

Ellen: I like horror films. They're more exciting. Have they got the film *Dark Days*? It's a horror film about vampires. I love films about vampires.

Dan: No, I can't see it here. There are other horror films but not *Dark Days*.

Ellen: So let's watch *The Last Year*.

Dan: *The Last Year*? What's that?

Ellen: It's a science fiction film. But it's got action, too. It's about the future, and it's very frightening and exciting.

Dan: Sounds great! I like science fiction, and I like films about the future. But wait ... I can't see that DVD either. Where is it?

Ellen: Oh, I'm not talking about the DVD. The film is on TV tonight.

Dan: Great! A good film for no money!

Unit 7

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- Kim:** I love your house, Jen. It looks very old.
Jen: Thanks, Kim. This was my grandmother's house. It's about two hundred years old.
Kim: Two hundred years? Wow! That is very old. Was all the furniture your grandmother's?
Jen: The chairs and table were Grandmother's. But there's a new carpet and sofa.
Kim: The kitchen looks new, too.
Jen: Yes, it is new. It's got a new sink and cupboards.
Kim: Were the microwave and dishwasher your grandmother's?
Jen: No, they weren't. There weren't any modern items in Grandmother's kitchen.
Kim: No microwave or dishwasher! Life wasn't easy for our grandparents. Jen, was this your grandmother's fridge?
Jen: No, it wasn't. There was an old fridge in Grandmother's kitchen. It was smaller.
Kim: What about the bedrooms? Were they different?
Jen: Yes, they were. The colours of my room were terrible. The room was pink and brown. The curtains and blankets were pink and brown, too.
Kim: Ugh! Pink and brown! I hate those colours. What colour is your room now, Jen?
Jen: It's blue with white curtains. The blankets are blue and white, too.
Kim: I like blue and white. Has your room got any old furniture?
Jen: No, it hasn't. All the furniture is new. Would you like to see my room?
Kim: Sure.
Jen: OK, come with me.

Unit 8

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- Pete:** Hi, Nina.
Nina: Hi, Pete. How was your weekend?
Pete: It was OK. I went to the sports centre. What did you do at the weekend?
Nina: I had a terrible weekend. I stayed at home and built a model for my art class.
Pete: That doesn't sound terrible. What did you build?
Nina: I built a model of my house. It was amazing. It was better than all my other art projects.
Pete: So, what was terrible about that?
Nina: Well, I painted the model and then I put it on the table in the living room. My cat Lucky jumped on the table and then she walked on the paints and model. The model looked terrible, and there was paint on the sofa and the carpet.
Pete: Oh, no! Did you clean the sofa and carpet?
Nina: I tried to wash them, but they looked worse. My mother was very angry.

- Pete:** What did you do? Did you build a new model?
Nina: No, I didn't build a new model because there wasn't any time. So I brought the model to school this morning and put it in the classroom with the other projects.
Pete: Well, the art teacher was here five minutes ago. She wanted you.
Nina: Miss Jackson was here?
Pete: Yes, she was. We talked about your model. Miss Jackson really likes it.
Nina: But the model is terrible. It looks strange and it's got Lucky's feet all over it.
Pete: Miss Jackson likes the model because it's interesting and unusual. She gave you an 'A'.
Nina: Really? Miss Jackson gave me an 'A' because my model is interesting and unusual! Clever Lucky!

Unit 9

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- Lara:** Hi, Alan. Where are you going on holiday this summer?
Alan: I'm flying to Alaska, USA, with my parents.
Lara: Alaska? That's a long way! Are you going to stay in a hotel?
Alan: Yes, we are.
Lara: What are you going to do there?
Alan: The hotel is near Glacier Bay National Park. We're going to see the glaciers!
Lara: That's very exciting. Glaciers are amazing!
Alan: Yes, they are. But the glaciers in Alaska are smaller now than they were in the past.
Lara: I know. All the glaciers are becoming smaller. The water in the oceans is becoming higher, too. It's a real problem!
Alan: I'm going to learn more about the problem when I'm in Alaska.
Lara: Then you can write a report about it for school. So, what other activities can you do in the National Park?
Alan: You can go on a boat tour of the lakes and rivers. The boat travels around beautiful hills and mountains.
Lara: Are you going to go mountain climbing?
Alan: No, I'm not. It's very cold on the mountains. But I'm going to go hiking in the hills. There are some great hills for climbing.
Lara: Are you going to pack warm clothes?
Alan: Yes, I am. On Saturday, I'm going shopping with my mum. We're going to buy coats, sweaters and boots for the holiday.
Lara: Good. You're going to need them.
Alan: I've got a fantastic camera and I'm going to take it with me. I'm going to write a blog about our trip and I'm going to put photos of the trip on the blog.
Lara: Great. I can't wait to see your photos on the blog!