Speakers	Web DVD	Video Summary	Page No.	E1	E2	E3	L1 L2
Abigail Hackett	017	Abigail is interviewed in Leeds art gallery. She talks about her role, the purpose of museums and the different types. Abigail discusses libraries and what you might find there. (Some sections, such as joining a library, might be suitable for Entry 2).	2	*	tutor selection	✓	✓
Annabel Wigner		Annabel describes the role of Royal Armouries, its					
(reduced sound quality)	018	collections from around the world and 'live interpretation' displays such as jousting.	17	*	V	√	√
Cilla Ross	019	Cilla talks about trade unions and what is meant by strike. She discusses the history of industry in the UK.	29	×	*	✓	✓
Flamingo Land	020	Simple language describing a typical day out in the UK, using present simple and countable nouns.	37	✓	✓	×	×
Mary Wendy Stephen	021	ESOL tutors talk about the geography of the United Kingdom, providing basic facts on population, rivers, mountains and historical dates.	45	*	✓	✓	✓
Stephen Mary Wendy	022	ESOL tutors discuss the different languages spoken in the UK and find out about the origins and history of the English language.	57	*	×	✓	✓

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Speaker: 017 Abigail Hackett

Job: Museums, Libraries

and Archives



Skill

Suggested Activities

Speaking:

Elicit students' experiences of museums and libraries in UK and in other countries. Take an object or picture to describe. Ask students in previous lesson to bring an old object and describe it.

Listening:

Answer tutor prepared questions on what museums and libraries contain and do, different types of museums, how to join a library and how to find materials.

Reading:

Find books in a library quiz. Use alphabetical order for authors' names. Read about local history. Choose a book from a library to review.

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- 27. One of the very popular things that a lot of libraries offer now is free internet access. So you can come in and use the computers and you can also do things like get on to the internet and print out information and documents as well. And libraries, as well as books they might offer things like CDs or videos, things like audio, talking books can be really good for people who are wanting to improve their speaking and listening skills.
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 - b) people will miss the library's special shows
 - c) people will not learn about something interesting
 - d) people will be missed if they don't go
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 - b. historical documents, old photographs and newspaper cuttings
 - c. the latest news
 - d. information on English grammar
- 3) At number 19, what is meant by 'have got an awful lot to offer children'?
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 - b. a large amount of things for children to see
 - c. something that is awful
 - d. a lot of children
- 4) At number 19, what is meant by 'geared up for children'?
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 - b. asking children to change gears in the car
 - c. make an activity suitable for children so they can enjoy it
- 5) At number 19, in a **craft session** you can:
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 - b. eat a lot of tasty food
 - c. talk about English language
 - d. read interesting books
- 6) At number 21, what is meant by an 'accessible' place:
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 - c. a place is easily entered and used
 - d. it is a very dangerous place
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 - b. to help people understand how to use computers

- c. to meet other people for a chat
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 - d. for ever
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 - b. introductions to stories
 - c. the first letters of a person's name
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- 2. Underline key words and phrases spoken at the end of one paragraph and repeated by the next speaker.
- 3. Underline any other turn-taking patterns and conventions.
- 4. Place the paragraphs in the correct order, e.g. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ... **or** cut out and re-sequence.
- 5. Check answers by watching the video or read the full text.
- 6. Find a friend and practise speaking aloud the full conversation.

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- 1. Replace all the commas (,) full-stops (.) apostrophes (') question marks (?)
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017 writing activity:

2.	Write about what you have learned so far. Describe the person(s) and what they do. Try to use some of the key words used by the speaker(s).

Places of Interest:

Royal Armouries, Leeds

Speaker: 018 Annabel Wigner



Skill

Suggested Activities

Speaking:

Students describe the history of their own countries. How do they display history? Is their history shared orally through elders or through official organisations like museums?

Listening:

Provide questions which ask students to listen for gist. Provide paper-based questions which ask students to listen for specific details.

Reading:

Provide leaflets/realia describing tourist attractions in local area and beyond, etc. Many can be printed from internet. Recognise layout and language style, pricing, timetabling.

Writing:

Write a postcard describing a day out. Design a simple leaflet describing a tourist attraction. Write about their own country's history and create a dated timeline.

Transcript:

- 1. **Wendy:** Hello Annabel, can you tell me what your job is?
- 2. **Annabel:** I'm working in the Royal Armouries Museum as an Education Officer.
- 3. **Wendy:** OK, and can you tell me about the museum, what sort of things do people see here?

- 4. **Annabel:** Well we have a national and international collection of arms and armour, and by that I mean basically, sharp things that can kill you, guns that can kill you and armours from the past and present.
- 5. Wendy: Great, and who put the collection together?
- 6. **Annabel:** The collection is very, very old. It was put together in the Royal Armouries in the Tower of London originally because the castle had an armoury as every castle did, but it was opened to the public 400 years ago so we are possibly the oldest museum in this country, and that's how the collection was developed.
- 7. Wendy: OK, and when did it come to Leeds?
- 8. **Annabel:** It came to Leeds in 1996, because there was, there were too many things at the Tower of London, we couldn't put them out on display, so we needed a new home. Now we have two other homes, one is the castle, one is a fort in Hampshire and now we have this brand new museum in Leeds.
- 9. Wendy: OK, and is everything in this museum from this country?
- 10. **Annabel:** No, it's come from all over the world, obviously war in the 20th Century is pretty similar wherever it's fought but in the past it wasn't. Our greatest strength from other countries perhaps is Islam, from the world of Islam, from Turkey, from India and from the Sudan in Africa. But we do have other collections, not just Islamic, there's also Japan and India and China as well, so we have a very rich collection.
- 11. **Wendy:** And can people do things here and see things other than the collections?
- 12. Annabel: Well, we put arms and armour into action every day we have 'live interpretation' and we have that in the galleries and we also have it outside in the good weather. It's a bit difficult to put the horses out on display when the weather is really bad but nonetheless it's all live action at some point in the museum every day.
- 13. Wendy: And what do you do with the horses?
- 14. **Annabel:** Well, they come from Poland largely. They are very rare now the sort of ponies that would have, well the sort of horses that would have carried knights in the past. They are much bigger and stronger because they would have had to have carried lots of armour, both on their and obviously on their rider, so Poland's the only place anymore. And they have a good time here. They come over here, they have lots of good food and when they're too old to do anything in the tournament we retire them for a bit and they have a lovely end to their lives. We do sometimes have to put them to sleep and that's very sad for all of us.

- 15. Wendy: So, what is a tournament?
- 16. Annabel: Well, a tournament is about people in the past trying to win each other in mock battles, so it can be very violent. A horse goes at about 35 miles an hour, and if it meets another horse going at 35 miles an hour it's going to impact on your chest at 70 miles an hour so that is a very dangerous sport. And the education centre also runs programmes which are current for all young people in this country to enjoy and to learn something from, we try to tackle issues of the museum collection which has to do with being written in history as winners with guns, so we hope we do our best to turn the tide a little bit here away from the belief that it's possible to defend yourself violently, we do try and develop issues which raise the idea that we have a common humanity and should share that.

17. Wendy: Thank you.

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 - a. a place where you can buy weapons
 - b. the simple, real meaning of something
 - c. something dangerous
 - d. a museum
- 2) At number 4, Annabel talks about 'arms and armour'. What does she mean by 'arms'?
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 - b. weapons, like guns and knives
 - c. a museum
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- 3) At number 6, what is meant by 'opened to the public'?
 - a. put on the road for everyone to see
 - b. put in a shop
 - c. the Queen and her family kept the things
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 - a. England
 - b. the museum
 - c. Leeds
 - d. the world
- 6) At number 12, Annabel talks about 'live action' and 'live interpretation.' What do you think this means?
 - a. you can see real fights and touch the weapons
 - b. there are translators who speak different languages at the museum
 - c. you can watch exciting movies
 - d. you can feed the horses
- 7) At number 14, what is meant by 'put the horses to sleep'?

- a. give the horses food at the end of the day
- b. send the horses back to Poland
- c. give the horses tablets to make them sleep
- d. kill the horses if they are very old or ill
- 8) What is a tournament?
 - a. a fight with people on horses attacking one another
 - b. a game for children
 - c. a way to say how fast something is moving
 - d. a story about the past
- 9) Tournaments are very dangerous. Why?
 - a. because people can fall of their horse
 - b. because the horses can stand on people
 - c. because the horses run very fast and the riders hit each other very hard
 - d. because the horses run fast after the people
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018 sequencing activity:

Conversation requires the skilful use of a number of language features.

- 1. Read the conversation and underline discourse markers (e.g. okay, yes, well, now, right, so, anyway, uh-huh) and think about the purpose of each one.
- 2. Underline key words and phrases spoken at the end of one paragraph and repeated by the next speaker.
- 3. Underline any other turn-taking patterns and conventions.
- 4. Place the paragraphs in the correct order, e.g. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ... **or** cut out and re-sequence.
- 5. Check answers by watching the video or read the full text.
- 6. Find a friend and practise speaking aloud the full conversation.

Wendy: OK, and can you tell me about the museum, what sort of things do people see here?

Annabel: I'm working in the Royal Armouries Museum as an Education Officer.

Wendy: Great, and who put the collection together?

Annabel: No, it's come from all over the world, obviously war in the 20th Century is pretty similar wherever it's fought but in the past it wasn't.

Wendy: Hello Annabel, can you tell me what your job is?

Annabel: Well, they come from Poland largely. They come over here, they have lots of good food and when they're too old to do anything in the tournament we retire them for a bit and they have a lovely end to their lives. We do sometimes have to put them to sleep and that's very sad for all of us.

Annabel: The collection is very, very old. It was put together in the Royal Armouries in the Tower of London.

Wendy: OK, and when did it come to Leeds?

Annabel: Well we have a national and international collection of arms and armour, and by that I mean basically, sharp things that can kill you, guns that can kill you and armours from the past and present.

Annabel: It came to Leeds in 1996, because there was, there were too many things at the Tower of London, we couldn't put them out on display, so we needed a new home.

Wendy: OK, and is everything in this museum from this country?

Wendy: And can people do things here and see things other than the collections?

Annabel: Well, a tournament is about people in the past trying to win each other in mock battles, so it can be very violent.

Annabel: Well, we put arms and armour into action every day we have 'live interpretation' and we have that in the galleries and we also have it outside in the good weather. It's a bit difficult to put the horses out on display when the weather is really bad but nonetheless it's all live action at some point in the museum every day.

Wendy: Thank you.

Wendy: And what do you do with the horses?

Wendy: So, what is a tournament?

018 punctuation activity:

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annabel: well we have a national and international collection of arms and armour and by that i mean basically sharp things that can kill you guns that can kill you and armours from the past and present

wendy: great and who put the collection together

annabel: the collection is very very old it was put together in the royal armouries in the tower of london originally because the castle had an armoury as every castle did but it was opened to the public 400 years ago so we are possibly the oldest museum in this country and thats how the collection was developed

wendy: ok and when did it come to leeds

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018 writing activity:

2.	Write about what you have learned so far. Describe the person(s) and what they do. Try to use some of the key words used by the speaker(s).

Speaker: 019 Cilla Ross

Job: University Lecturer



Skill

Suggested Activities

Speaking:

Pairs of students discuss their own work histories. What types of jobs are available in their own countries compared to UK? What are the work roles of men and women in their country? Do they have trade unions?

Listening:

Listen to each other in paired discussions. Listen for information about the history of trade unions and what it means to go on strike.

Reading:

Read newspaper articles about current labour disputes. Read accounts of peoples' lives during the minors' strike.

Writing:

Write about what it could be like to be on strike for a long time. Write an account of your own job history or experiences. Write about the effect of the lack of jobs in a country or area.

Transcript:

- 1. Wendy: What is a trade union?
- 2. **Cilla:** Well, there is a definition of what a trade union is, which is that it's a voluntary association, and by that it means that people come together to protect their own interests and to work together for the interests of not just themselves but for each other and that's the important part of being in a trade union, it's not just about you but it's about you working with other people.
- 3. Britain is very interesting in terms of its trade unionism because the trade unions came out of what we call, the old, skilled crafts about 150 years ago

and they were really people who got together to protect their wages so that they wouldn't be undercut by new technologies and new types of workers.

- 4. But now, unions have really changed their role. It's really important that people are aware that, are aware that they have a right to join a trade union. As you might imagine, or understand, y'know, trade unionism has waxed and waned in terms of it's popularity. On the eve of the 1st World War over half the population in Britain were in a trade union, you just were in a trade union. Now it's down to about 7 million people, which is a massive drop.
- 5. Wendy: That's about 10%.
- 6. **Cilla:** Yeah, 10 to 11% of people. And that's happened for a number of reasons; one is that the sort of industries that people used to work in that were always heavily unionised like mines, steel-work and so on, and the mills, they declined, Britain's changed.

019 Questions: answers at back or visit www.esoluk.co.uk

- 1) What is a trade union?
 - a. a group of people who work together
 - b. some people who support each other
 - c. people who share a trade
 - d. an organization of workers who improve conditions and pay
- 2) At number 2, what is meant by 'to protect their own interests'?
 - a. to share hobbies
 - b. to look after their leisure interests
 - c. to look after their pay and conditions at work
 - d. to make sure their family are not harmed
- 3) At number 3, what is meant by 'undercut by new technologies'?
 - a. new machines would cut things better
 - b. prices for goods would be lower because machines are cheaper
 - c. people would get lower wages
 - d. people would lose jobs
- 4) At number 4, what is meant by 'a right to join'?
 - a. to have the ability to join
 - b. to be allowed to join
 - c. to have human rights
 - d. to join a political party
- 5) At number 4, what is meant by 'waxed and waned'?
 - a. to put hot wax on your legs
 - b. to make wax candles
 - c. to increase then decrease in size
 - d. when the moon seems to get bigger and smaller
- 6) At number 4, what is meant by 'on the eve of the 1st World'?
 - a. just before the war
 - b. just after the war
 - c. on the day of the war
 - d. on Christmas before the war
- 7) At number 4, what is meant by a 'massive drop'?
 - a. a reduction in numbers
 - b. a long fall

- c. a big drop
- d. an increase in numbers
- 8) At number 6, what is meant by 'heavily unionised'?
 - a. people were united
 - b. a lot of people were in unions
 - c. not many people were in unions
 - d. unions were very heavy
- 9) At number 6, what is meant by 'steel-work'?
 - a. people who work with steel
 - b. people who steal things
 - c. factories that make steel
- 10) At number 6, what is meant by 'they declined'?
 - a. the industries got smaller
 - b. they got bigger
 - c. they were more popular
 - d. the mills got smaller

019 listening/reading gapfill:

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- read the text and fill in the gaps.
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Words: aware Britain changed interests protect terms together union

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019 writing activity:

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Places of Interest: Flamingo Land

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Skill

Suggested Activities

Speaking:

Students discuss leisure pursuits. When was the last time they visited local parks, museums, art galleries, etc? Do they have zoos and theme parks in their own country? Is it cruel to keep animals in a zoo? What about endangered species?

Listening:

Listen for simple present verbs and countable nouns.

Reading:

Provide leaflets/realia describing tourist attractions in local area and beyond, etc. Many can be printed from internet. Recognise layout and language style, pricing, timetabling.

Writing:

Write a postcard describing a day out. Design a simple leaflet describing a tourist attraction. Provide script and convert present tense to past tense.

Transcript:

It is summer time. People have gone to the park. Some people like to play. Some people like to relax. Older children play with a bat and ball. Their mother tells them to play in the shade. Teenagers and young adults bathe in the sun. Older adults play bowls in a competition.

In summer some people like to fly away on holiday. Some people like to drive to theme parks for the day. The UK has over 40 theme parks. The UK has over 10 zoos. Flamingo Land in North Yorkshire is a theme park and a zoo. Coaches travel to Flamingo Land with many people from around the UK.

To enter costs £20 for anyone aged 4 and over. Senior citizens cost £10. Children under 4 are free. A family ticket for 4 people costs £74.00.

- 1. People cue to ride on the mechanical swing. It goes very high.
- 2. The Clown Ride is a slow ride for children.
- This ride is a fast ride for adults.
- 4. The Pink Elephants go round in a circle. The Balloon Ride goes high.
- 5. This ride is a scary ride for adults. It spins on a disc.
- 6. Safety checks are very important. This ride goes high and upside down.
- This ride shoots people into the sky. Then it drops them back to the ground.
- 8. This ride is for children and adults.
- 9. This ride is like a wave on the ocean.
- 10. Some people buy food. Some people bring a picnic. Some English people like fish and chips.
- 11. This ride is like a boat on the sea.
- 12. This ride is very fast.
- 13. A giraffe watches the Balloon Ride.
- 14. Other giraffes go into their home.
- 15. A giraffe looks for food.
- 16. A tortoise eats the grass.
- 17. A rhinoceros lays in the hot sun.
- 18. Two camels hide in the shade.
- 19. A zebra chews the grass
- 20. An ostrich pecks at the grass.
- 21. Meerkats wait for people to give them food.
- 22. A family of baboons look for food.
- 23. People watch the penguins as the penguins swim and look for fish.
- 24. Pink flamingos clean themselves and look for food.
- 25. Kangaroos wait, watch and eat.
- 26. Miniature ponies chew the grass and are groomed.

Please note the incorrect use of lays (i.e. lies) at number 17.

020 Questions: answers at back or visit www.esoluk.co.uk

- 1) What is Flamingo Land?
 - a. a place to play tennis
 - b. a theme park and a zoo
 - c. a place for flamingos
 - d. a place to relax
- 2) What is meant by 'bathe in the sun?'
 - a. drink water in the sunshine
 - b. have a bath in the river
 - c. have a bath in a lake
 - d. lie down and enjoy the sunshine
- 3) What is meant by 'a senior citizen'?
 - a. a very important person.
 - b. a person who has become a UK citizen
 - c. a person who is over 65 years old
 - d. a very stupid person
- 4) How do many people travel to Flamingo Land?
 - a. by plane
 - b. on foot
 - c. on a camel
 - d. by coach
- 5) What is meant by 'scary'?
 - a. very relaxing
 - b. very enjoyable
 - c. very frightening
 - d. very difficult
- 6) Where are the Pink elephants going?
 - a. into the jungle
 - b. backwards and forwards
 - c. to the pub
 - d. round and round
- 7) What do some English people like to eat?
 - a. fish and chips

- b. chicken tikka
- c. sheish kebab
- d. frogs legs
- 8) Which animal has a horn?
 - a. a tortoise
 - b. a penguin
 - c. a rhinoceros
 - d. a flamingo
- 9) What do penguins love to eat?
 - a. hamburger
 - b. chocolate
 - c. bananas and custard
 - d. fish
- 10) What is a miniature pony?
 - a. a very small horse
 - b. a very big elephant
 - c. a very long snake
 - d. a very thin dog

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020 writing activity:

2.	Write about what you have learned so far. Describe the person(s) and what they do. Try to use some of the key words used by the speaker(s).

Speaker: Stephen, Mary, Wendy

Theme: 021 Facts about the

UK



Skill

Suggested Activities

Speaking:

Students discuss areas of the UK they might have lived in. Compare cities and towns. Compare things like rivers and mountains in own country compared to UK. Use superlatives.

Listening:

Pre-listening tasks – discussing population numbers/ country location. Listening for detail – listening for the figures stated in the first part of the tape, and for superlatives.

Reading:

Maps of the world and the UK. Internet research to find out more about geography/ history of the area where they live.

Writing:

Labelling maps with countries, cities. Link with sentence level work on superlatives. Comparing and contrasting their area with place of origin.

Transcript:

- 1. Mary: Some of my students have been asking me some very interesting questions, but I don't know the answers. Do either of you know Wendy and Stephen - they want to know about the countries in the UK. What countries are there in the UK?
- 2. **Stephen:** Well Mary, it's interesting you should say that, because I have a map on the wall here. If you look over here, you can see that at the top of the United Kingdom is Scotland. Down here towards the South of the United Kingdom you'll find Wales. Across here, in this predominantly green area,

Northern Ireland at the top; and if I follow my finger round the largest section of the United Kingdom is England.

- 3. **Wendy:** And Stephen, do you know which are the capital cities in those four countries?
- 4. **Stephen:** Well Wendy, that's a very good question. If you look at my map again, you can see here in Scotland that the capital of Scotland is Edinburgh. If we come across the north channel to Northern Ireland you can see that the capital of Northern Ireland is Belfast. If we come across here, the Irish Sea, down to Wales, you'll see that the capital of Wales is Cardiff. And, if we come across slightly, the capital of England is London.
- 5. **Mary:** That's really helpful Stephen. Which country has the biggest population?
- 6. Wendy: I know Mary. England has about 50 million people.
- 7. **Stephen:** That's interesting Wendy. But which country has the lowest population?
- 8. **Wendy:** Well, Northern Ireland only has about 2 million people.
- 9. **Stephen:** Don't forget Scotland and Wales. Wales has approximately 3 million people, Scotland has approximately 6 million people, and the whole of the United Kingdom is about 60 million people.
- 10. **Wendy:** Does anyone know which country has the highest mountain in the UK?
- 11. **Mary:** Wendy I have got that information. I can tell you that the highest mountain in the UK is in Scotland. It's called Ben Nevis and it's 1,343 metres high.
- 12. **Stephen:** So which country has the longest river, Mary?
- 13. **Mary:** I've got that information too. It says here that the longest river is called the Severn and it's in England and it is 354 kilometres in length.
- 14. **Wendy:** And what's that in the middle of Northern Ireland? Is it a lake? That white area?
- 15. **Stephen:** Do you mean this one here? Well this is actually the largest lake in the United Kingdom. We pronounce it Loch Neagh but Irish people may pronounce it differently.
- 16. Wendy: Have these four countries always been united?

- 17. **Stephen:** That's a very good question Wendy. Over a thousand years ago each country had its own monarch, its own king or queen, though the United Kingdom has its own queen now, it hasn't always been the case. I think Mary has more information about this.
- 18. **Mary:** Yes, I do have some more information here. It says that Wales came under the control of England in 1535, Scotland and England joined in 1707. Ireland Northern Ireland is a bit different. In 1800 Great Britain ruled the whole of Ireland. But the Republic of Ireland became independent in 1922 and it's now completely separate, a different country. But the top part of Ireland that we call Northern Ireland that is still part of Great Britain.

19. Wendy: UK

021 Questions: answers at back or visit www.esoluk.co.uk

- 1) At number 2, what is meant by 'predominantly green'?
 - a. all green
 - b. mostly green
 - c. slightly green
 - d. green in the middle
- 2) Which country has the most people?
 - a. Scotland
 - b. Wales
 - c. Northern Ireland
 - d. England
- 3) At number 6, what is meant by 'about 50 million'?
 - a. a little more, or a little less than 50 million
 - b. exactly 50 million
 - c. a lot more than 50 million
 - d. slightly less than 50 million
- 4) Which country has the highest mountain?
 - a. Northern Ireland
 - b. Wales
 - c. Scotland
 - d. England
- 5) Which sentence is correct?
 - a. the biggest mountain is Ben Nevis
 - b. the widest mountain is Ben Nevis
 - c. the highest mountain is Ben Nevis
 - d. the largest mountain is Ben Nevis
- 6) Which sentence is correct?
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 - b. the largest river is the Severn
 - c. the widest river is the Severn
 - d. the longest river is the Severn
- 7) At number 16, what is meant by 'Have these four countries always been united?'
 - a. joined together

- b. in agreement with each other
- c. all supporting the same football team
- d. friendly
- 8) What is meant by 'each country had its own monarch'?
 - a. each country had its own capital city
 - b. each country had its own king or queen
 - c. each country had its own government
- 9) When did Wales under the control of England?
 - a. 1535
 - b. 1800
 - c. 1707
 - d. 1922
- 10) What country is no longer in the United Kingdom?
 - a. Northern Ireland
 - b. Wales
 - c. Republic of Ireland
 - d. Scotland

021 listening/reading gapfill:

England is London.

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- 6. Find a friend and practise speaking aloud the full conversation.

Mary: Some of my students have been asking me some very interesting questions, but I don't know the answers. Do either of you know Wendy and Stephen - they want to know about the countries in the UK. What countries are there in the UK?

Stephen: Well Mary, it's interesting you should say that, because I have a map on the wall here. If you look over here, you can see that at the top of the United Kingdom is Scotland. Down here towards the South of the United Kingdom you'll find Wales. Across here, in this predominantly green area, Northern Ireland at the top; and if I follow my finger round the largest section of the United Kingdom is England.

Wendy: And Stephen, do you know which are the capital cities in those four countries?

Mary: That's really helpful Stephen. Which country has the biggest population?

Stephen: That's interesting Wendy. But which country has the lowest population?

Stephen: Well Wendy, that's a very good question. If you look at my map again, you can see here in Scotland that the capital of Scotland is Edinburgh.

Wendy: Well, Northern Ireland only has about 2 million people.

Wendy: I know Mary. England has about 50 million people.

Wendy: Does anyone know which country has the highest mountain in the UK?

Stephen: Don't forget Scotland and Wales. Wales has approximately 3 million people, Scotland has approximately 6 million people, and the whole of the United Kingdom is about 60 million people.

Mary: Wendy I have got that information. I can tell you that the highest mountain in the UK is in Scotland. It's called Ben Nevis and it's 1,343 metres high.

Mary: I've got that information too. It says here that the longest river is called the Severn and it's in England and it is 354 kilometres in length.

Stephen: Do you mean this one here? Well this is actually the largest lake in the United Kingdom. We pronounce it Loch Neagh but Irish people may pronounce it differently.

Wendy: And what's that in the middle of Northern Ireland? Is it a lake? That white area?

Stephen: So which country has the longest river, Mary?

Stephen: That's a very good question Wendy. Over a thousand years ago each country had its own monarch, its own king or queen, though the United Kingdom has its own queen now, it hasn't always been the case. I think Mary has more information about this.

Wendy: Have these four countries always been united?

Mary: Yes, I do have some more information here. It says that Wales came under the control of England in 1535, Scotland and England joined in 1707.

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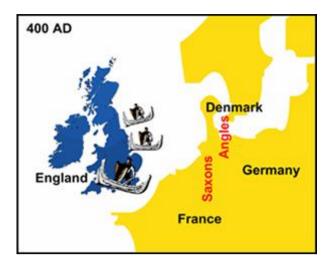
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English Language



Skill

Suggested Activities

Speaking:

Find out about the different languages which class members speak. Talk about how many languages they speak, and the reasons for this. Talk about how they find learning English, which aspects are hardest / easiest. Compare UK and their country. Talk about the benefits of being bi-/multilingual. Talk about 'global English(es)' and which they think is 'official' English – UK, USA, Australia. Indian, African, etc.

Listening:

Provide students with a paper-based timeline from past to present. Ask students to complete as they watch the video, inserting dates and language influences, etc.

Reading:

Provide a bank of Anglo-Saxon words which have some similarity with modern English. Can the students translate the words correctly?

Writing:

Using a small bank of verbs and nouns from the Anglo-Saxon language, ask students to construct sentences, mixing old and new. Can the students translate each others finished writing.

Transcript:

- 1. Mary: What languages are spoken in the UK?
- 2. **Wendy:** Well as there are people from all over the world living in Britain, I believe they must speak their own home languages from nearly every country in the world.

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- 5. **Stephen:** Good question Mary. You see Scotland we have the outer islands for example the Outer Hebrides and Orkney and there is an ancient language called Gaelic which some Scottish people still speak.
- 6. **Mary:** You said Stephen that Gaelic is a very old language, a very ancient language. Is English very old as well?
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- 16. The English began to fight back. In the 14th century, Britain fought France for nearly 100 years. Schools then began to teach in English, not French.
- 17. Wendy: And people didn't only come to England with their languages. British people went out to live in other countries and conquer other countries and picked up their languages as well.
- 18. **Stephen:** That's true Wendy. From the 16th century the English people travelled and conquered many parts of the world, spreading the English language to India and America and many other countries.
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022 Questions: answers at back or visit www.esoluk.co.uk

- 1) At number 3, what does 'indigenous' mean?
 - a. spoken everywhere
 - b. belonging to a particular place
 - c. foreign
 - d. common
- 2) At number 3, where in the UK do children often speak two languages fluently?
 - a. England
 - b. Scotland
 - c. Wales
 - d. Northern Ireland
- 3) What's the closest synonym for the word 'predominantly'?
 - a. mainly
 - b. usually
 - c. quickly
 - d. only
- 4) At number 17, what is meant by 'picked up languages'?
 - a. carried
 - b. lifted
 - c. bought
 - d. learnt
- 5) What is meant by 'prisoners were sent to Australia for life'?
 - a. to have a nice time
 - b. they could never return to England
 - c. for a holiday
 - d. to visit friends
- 6) By 1897, how much of the world was controlled by Britain?
 - a. quarter
 - b. half
 - c. third
 - d. fifth
- 7) What is the original language of Scotland?
 - a. Anglo-Saxon
 - b. Latin

- c. Farsi
- d. Gaelic
- 8) How do you say 'greeting' in Old English?
 - a. wordum
 - b. ond
 - c. gretan
 - d. hated
- 9) What does the Old English 'luflice' mean?
 - a. friendly
 - b. loving
 - c. horrible
 - d. speak
- 10) Why is it difficult to sometimes spell English words?
 - a. because it comes from Latin
 - b. because it's not connected to other languages
 - c. because the English language has been influenced by many other languages
 - d. because it is so cold in the UK

022 listening/reading gapfill:

The words removed below are the key words used most by this speaker.

- Listen to a small section at a time and try to hear the missing words,
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- read the text and fill in the gaps.
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Answer key to questions

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 2) b
 3) b
 4) c
 5) a
 6) c
 7) b
 8) b
 9) a
 10) c

 018:
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 2) b
 3) d
 4) c
 5) b
 6) a
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