Communication

Vocabulary

1 Verbs

A Complete the chart with nouns made from these verbs. Use a dictionary if necessary.

verb	Noun(s)
care	
change	
destroy	
disappear	
survive	

B Complete sentences 1-10 with a verb in the correct form or a noun from A.

1	The language of the island of Hawaii
	as a result of a project to teach it in schools.

2	The	of the Hawaiian language now
a.	seems more certain.	

3	Some experts think that the	of the
	dinosaurs was caused by changes in climate.	

- 4 After the climate had changed, the dinosaurs and many other species
- 5 The bus timetable again last winter. I have to get up even earlier every morning now.
- 6 Check the bus timetable before you come on Tuesday. There have been lots of to it recently.
- 7 The earthquake several large buildings in the city centre.
- 8 The earthquake caused very little outside the city centre.
- 9 Marisa for her mother, who is old and quite ill now.
- 10 Governments today do not provide enough for older people.

2 say, talk, speak or tell?

Ma	atch the verbs on the l	eft v	vith the phrases on the right.
1	say	а	someone something / that
2	talk	b	a language
3	speak	C	something to someone
4	tell	d	to someone about something

B Complete sentences 1-10 with the correct form of say, talk, speak or tell.

1	'I didn't know what to do	'Ben	'I was
	so scared.'		
2	Can you	Spanish?	

2 Can you Spa	anish?
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- 3 I want to to you about your homework.
- 4 me that you love me!
- 5 Lucy she's going to be a model when she leaves school.
- 6 Mike his mother that he had the best marks in the test.
- 7 In the exam you have to about your hobbies.
- 8 I don't know why Christina that it's
- 9 Gran what happened when we went to Paris.
- 10 Please more slowly, I don't understand.

3 Verbs and nouns

A Match the verbs on the left with their definitions on the right.

1	study	а	to change words from one language
			to another.

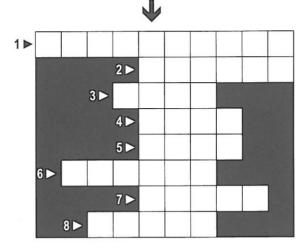
- b to spend time learning about 2 practise something
- c to read something again that 3 repeat you have learnt, often for an exam
- d to say, write or do something again 4 revise e to train regularly so that you 5 memorise
- become good at something
- f to learn something so that you can 6 translate remember it exactly

B Now complete sentences 1-6 with the correct form of the verbs from A.

- 1 Speakers at the conference are not allowed to use notes, so you must your speech.
- 2 Kate two foreign languages this year, French and Spanish.
- 3 Joanna loves playing the violin. She her pieces every day.
- 4 I'm going to say a word once, then you
- it three times. 5 I can't visit Gran on Sunday. I've got to
- for the Chemistry test on Monday.
- 6 | difficult words into my own language.

4 Word puzzle

A Complete the puzzle with words you have used in 1-3. Use the clues below to help you.



- 1 It is very sad when people stop speaking a language and
- 2 I'm going to say the first line of the poem and I want you
- 3 What can we do to ... threatened languages and keep
- 4 Some people really ... about the environment and recycle all their paper, cans and plastic.
- 5 Did you ... Barbara to meet us at the café?
- 6 We're not going on the school trip on Friday because we've got to ... for the end of term exams next week.
- 7 If you want to get into one of the best universities, you'll have to ... very hard now.
- 8 Lisa was laughing so much at the joke that she couldn't

В	What is the word reading down (\downarrow) ? Write a sentence to
	show its meaning.

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5 The present simple

Α	Write sentences 1–10 (positive, negative or questions)
	the present simple. Use the verbs in brackets.

Example

Adam / any foreign languages (not speak) Adam doesn't speak any foreign languages.

1	teenagers / company logos very quickly (recognise)
2	you / French? (speak)

- 3 Petra / ten icons on her mobile phone (have)
- 4 we / the meaning of this symbol (not know)
- 5 everybody / the meaning of ‡ and ‡ (understand)
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- 6 Martin / shopping on Saturdays? (go)
- 7 communication / easy with symbols (be)
- 8 my brother / in an office (not work)
- 9 you / hundreds of symbols on a computer (use)
- 10 the supermarket / at nine o'clock? (open)

B Correct the information in these sentences.

Example

David Beckham plays tennis. No, he doesn't. He plays football.

1	A dolphin is a bird.

2 Swiss people speak Spanish.

3 Queen Elizabeth II lives in Germany.

4 Hollywood is in Brazil.

5 Burger King makes pizzas.

6 Elephants come from Poland.

6 The present continuous

A Complete the report with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

We 1(do) a project on
communication at school this term. We
2 (work) in groups and
all the groups ³ (study)
different forms of communication. In my group, we
4(look) at the use of
satellites to bring pictures to people's televisions all
over the world. I 5
(prepare) a short presentation about how satellites
work. Michael 6 (learn)
how satellites are used for news broadcasts and
Melanie 7 (find out)
about satellites and sports events.

B Put the words in the correct order to make questions about the report, then answer them.

Example

doing / project / language / the / on / are / a / students / ?
Are the students doing a project on language?
No, they aren't. They're doing a project on communication.

1	on / communication / they / project / are / in / doing / $$
	computers / a / ?

2	the / business / for / Michael / use / is / satellites /
	studying / of / ?

Melanie / and / satellites / finding out / pop concerts / is / about / ?

7 The present simple or the present continuous?

A Complete sentences 1–5 with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1	Babies always	(learn) to speak the
	language of their parents.	

- 2 My baby is just over a year old and she (start) to say a few words.
- 3 She (listen) to me when I talk to her and she (copy) me.
- 4 She (not understand) my words but my voice and actions make the meaning clear.

B Read the article and choose the correct alternative for 1–10.



It's 10.30 in the evening and I ¹have / am having a bath. Or maybe it's 7.45 in the morning and I ²cycle / am cycling to school. My mobile is always with me. I ³answer / am answering every call, because I ⁴like / am liking talking. ⁵Do you use / Are you using your mobile phone as much as I ⁶do / am doing? At school we're not allowed to have mobiles. At the moment, we ⁷try / are trying to change the rules. We ⁸ask / are asking for permission to use our mobiles at break and at lunchtime, because we ⁹need / are needing to read our messages. Why ¹⁰do teachers always make / are teachers always making life so difficult?

8 Adverbs of frequency

Add an adverb of frequency (always, often, usually, sometimes, rarely, never) to sentences 1–8 so that they are true for you.

Example

often

I go to school by bike.

- 1 I forget people's birthdays.
- 2 My friends laugh at me.
- 3 I get good marks for my English homework.
- 4 I tell lies.
- 5 I help my friends with their schoolwork.
- 6 I help at home.
- 7 I dream about being rich and famous.
- 8 My family has lunch together on Sunday.

Functions

9 Talking about meaning

Α	Put the words in 1-4 in the correct order to make		
questions and answers. Then complete the dia			
	using the dictionary entries below.		

1	does / word / what / mean / 'pants' / the /?
2	means / think / it / ''/ I

4 says / in / dictionary / it / the / '.........'

3 know/you/do/'cab'/what/means/?

trousers / trauzəz/ (US pants)
noun – a piece of clothing that
covers the whole of both your legs.

taxi / tæksi/ (also taxicab

good,
nush
recogtaste
small

you somewhere for money.

B Now complete this dialogue. Use the prompts and the dictionary definitions below.

Jim What	? (vacation
Jane I	
Jane I Do	? (trash)
Jim Yes	

holiday /'haledes/ noun (US
vacation) – a period of rest from the work or school, often when you go and stay away from home

thinking about it carefully

rubbish /'rabis/ (US garbage; trash) noun - things that you do not want any more; waste material

rubble /'rabl/ noun [U] pieces of broken brick.

10	Asking	questions	and	understanding	the	answei
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A Complete the dialogue with these questions and sentences.

a Sorry, that was a bit fast, I didn't understand.

b Excuse me, do you know where the swimming pool is?

c Could you spell that, please?

d Could you repeat it more slowly?

Anna 1.	
Jim Of	course. It's next to the school in Felixstowe
Road.	. Go to the end of this street, turn right
and k	eep going. It's just past the school.
3	
Jim Sor	ry. Walk down this street. Turn right into
Felixs	towe Road.
Anna ⁴	
Jim F-E-	-L-I-X-S-T-O-W-E.

B Complete this dialogue with questions and sentences. Follow the instructions.

You (Ask where the department store is.)	
Jane It's in Halliday Street, which is the second right after the High Street.	
You (Tell Jane you didn't understand, and ask he	er
to repeat it.)	
2	
Jane Sorry. Go down here, cross the High Street	t,

Street.

You (Ask Jane to spell the name of the street.)

then the second turning on the right is Halliday

3.....





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11 can and can't

- A Complete gaps 1-7 with can and one of these verbs.
 - find out send send talk contact use read

B Complete sentences 1-6 with can or can't.

1	Michael	. come out with us tonight because	e he's
	got too much hom	nework.	

- 2 I haven't got a computer, but I go to an Internet café to read and send emails.
- 3you spell the longest word in the English language?
- 4 You find a lot of information on the Internet.
- 5 Kate isn't good at music she sing or play a musical instrument.
- 6 Please put the light on we see our books.

12 can, can't or (not) be able to?

Complete 1-10 with can, can't or (not) be able to.

- future, because she's moving to Scotland.

 3 A lot of people say fhey dance very
- well, but in fact they can.

 4 My sister's baby will walk very soon.
- 5 I use your dictionary, please?
- 6 Many young English people would like to
-speak another language.

 7 It's useful touse the Internet.
- 8 Judith always make me laugh.
- 9 Will I to study Information Technology
- next year?
- **10** Adrian might go climbing at the weekend, because he's hurt his foot.

Writing a questionnaire and description

- 13 Asking and answering questions
- A A student is interviewing Sheena Davies. Match these questions with her answers.

Questionnaire

- 1 What ambitions have you got?
- 2 How often do you go abroad on holiday?
- 3 Can you speak Welsh?
- 4 Do you like listening to music?
- 5 What time do you get up on schooldays?
- 6 How often do you go out with your friends?
- 7 What sports do you play?
- 8 How many people are there in your family?
- 9 Where do you live?
- **10** When do you finish school in the afternoon?



	1	
a	3	rive.

- b I don't play any.
- c At a quarter to seven.
- d In Cardiff.
- e Once or twice a year.
- f At three fifteen.
- g Not really, just a few words.
- h I'd like to be a fashion designer.
- i Yes, I love it. I've got lots of CDs.
- j Twice a week.

B Now write the questions for Sheena's answers.

Yes, I've got one brother and one sister.
No, I'm the oldest.
3
4
5 French and German.
Because I want to travel and be able to talk to people.
No, I hate it - I don't like playing in a team, or competing against other people.
8 One or two hours a day - I never miss my favourite soap operas.
Eastenders and Coronation Street. I can't stand any of the other soaps.
10

14 Writing a description

Complete this description of Sheena Davies with the information in 13.

Sheena Davies	s lives in 1	, in Wales.
		ople in her family:
	herself and her	
and 4	She get	s up at
	on schoolday	
6	High School.	Her favourite
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	he travels. Shee	
	at all. In her	
	her friends, was	
		TV and listens to
		aves school, she'd
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Culture focus

What is English?

English is more multicultural than any other language. For centuries it has taken words from other languages, and today's international communication means that new words are appearing every day. In fact English contains words from more than 350 other languages! 'Goulash' from Hungarian, 'algebra' from Arabic and 'safari' from Swahili are just a few. Sometimes English even takes whole phrases. We use 'la dolce vita' from Italian, and 'c'est la vie' from French; we even have 'feng shui' from Chinese!

New types of English

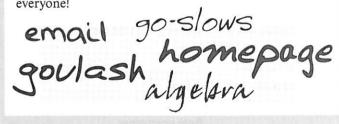
In many countries, like India or Africa, there are hundreds of local dialects (different ways of speaking the same language). These countries often use English as a common language, and each country creates its own words. As a result new variations of English are born. In West Africa for example, traffic jams are called 'go-slows', clothes are called 'wears', and hairdresser's are known as 'barbing saloons'!

International communication

International communication has also created specialised English, such as Aviation English for air traffic controllers, Internet English, and even text message English for mobile phones! New words, such as 'email' and 'homepage' are added to the language when they are needed.

Who does English belong to?

What all this means is that English doesn't just belong to the English, but to all the people, professions and cultures who influence and change it. Today English is a truly global language ... because it belongs to everyone!



Read the text and answer these questions.

- 1 Why is English a 'multicultural' language?
- 2 How many languages have given words to English?
- 3 Why is English useful in countries like India?
- 4 How has international communication influenced English?



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