

		Listening texts	Critical thinking skill	Language development
UNIT 1	Gathering Page 7	1 Three meetings  & 2 Getting from <i>you and me</i> , to <i>we</i>	Inferring a speaker's attitude Applying a theory to other situations	Binomials Modal verbs and levels of directness
UNIT 2	Games Page 17	1 Video Games: Lessons for life 2 Game Theory	Identifying key information in an argument Selecting information for notes and summaries	Prepositional verbs Phrasal verbs
UNIT 3	Nostalgia Page 27	1 How to deal with homesickness  & 2 Memory and smell	Understanding different perspectives Distinguishing argument from other content	Approximation Particulizer and exclusive adverbs
UNIT 4	Risk Page 37	1 The world's most dangerous jobs 2 What is acceptable risk?	Using illustrative examples to support an argument Anticipating a conclusion based on reasons and evidence	Nominalization Possible, probable, and hypothetical future predictions
UNIT 5	Urban Page 47	1 Cars and cities 2 Making cities more liveable	Persuading through reasons Synthesizing ideas to make judgements	Connotation Academic verbs
UNIT 6	Legacy Page 57	1 Family food legacies 2 Technology legacies  &	Persuading through evidence Identifying a causal link	Inversion Collocations: Way
UNIT 7	Vast Page 67	1 The Trans-Siberian railway  & 2 Why do people climb mountains?	Differentiating between fact and opinion Identifying statements that need justification	Attitude adverbials Abstract nouns
UNIT 8	Change Page 77	1 Metamorphosis – the secrets behind nature's amazing change 2 A global tax on changing money?	Maximizing language Recognizing implicit assumptions	Expressing change Gradeable adjectives
UNIT 9	Flow Page 87	1 Not worth a dam 2 The concept of flow	Identifying counter-arguments Appreciating visual aids and diagrams	Irregular plurals Words in context – working with concordance data
UNIT 10	Conflict Page 97	1 Conflict of interest 2 "The Sporting Spirit"	Identifying strengths in theories and arguments Consistency	Hedging and boosting Using the correct linkers

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Pronunciation skill	Speaking skill	Speaking task	Digibook video activity	Study Skills & Critical thinking skills
Intonation and attitude	Interrupting	Planning a study group		Study skills: Speaking in small groups and seminars
Identifying the linking /r/	Agreeing and disagreeing – degrees of formality	Proposal on banning violent electronic games		Critical thinking skills: Why develop critical thinking skills?
Juncture	Identifying sources of information	Conducting a survey on memory		Study skills: Listening to lectures
Word stress in word families	Managing conversation	An informal risk assessment		Critical thinking skills: Critical thinking: Knowledge, skills and attitudes
Contrastive stress	Expressing opinions	Presenting a proposal of an action plan for an urban issue		Study skills: Recording achievement
Pausing for dramatic emphasis	Emphasizing important information – repetition and contrastive pairs	Making a speech about a person who has left a legacy		Critical thinking skills: The author's position
Word stress: abstract nouns formed from adjectives	Negotiating compromise	Organizing a cultural program		Study skills: Organizing your personal study online
Intonation and tonic prominence	Adding points to an argument	Holding a debate about educational changes		Critical thinking skills: Argument and disagreement
Intonation to express hesitation and doubt	Softening criticism	Making a presentation supported with visuals about an important project		Study skills: Exam techniques
Linking and catenation	Managing conflict – reformulating and monitoring	Role playing mini-conflict situations		Critical thinking skills: Categorising