

		Reading	Reading & critical thinking skills	Language development
UNIT 1	Gathering Page 7	Are online “friends” a threat to development?	Identifying arguments Distinguishing the writer’s position in an argument	Synonyms Simple and progressive verb forms
UNIT 2	Games Page 17	After the Games end: Risks and rewards of hosting the Olympics®	Identifying contrasts Identifying references to things outside the text	Guessing meaning from context Expressing contrast
UNIT 3	Nostalgia Page 27	The shifting sands of memory	Understanding analogies in a text Identifying sources of information	Reporting information Condensing information with compound adjectives
UNIT 4	Risk Page 37	Risk-takers: Who are they?	Summarizing the key points of a text Assessing whether research supports an argument	Adjective and preposition collocations Infinitive phrases
UNIT 5	Urban Page 47	Solving the problem of informal settlements	Identifying different perspectives Recognizing trends and patterns	Prepositional phrases Impersonal report structures
UNIT 6	Legacy Page 57	Endangered languages: Strategies for preservation and revitalization	Using headings to understand the main ideas Identifying fact, speculation, and opinion	Words with more than one affix Relative pronouns with prepositions
UNIT 7	Vast Page 67	Overpopulation: A problem or a myth? &	Identifying persuasion techniques Assessing the logic of an argument	Adjective and noun collocations Noun (nominal) clauses
UNIT 8	Change Page 77	Leadership and Change Management	Identifying concepts and theories Inferring criticism	Idiomatic language Participle clauses
UNIT 9	Flow Page 87	How rivers made civilisation	Identifying links Identifying logical fallacies	Verbs and expressions with prepositions Expressing causality
UNIT 10	Conflict Page 97	From war to dishes: Culture and conflict	Identifying causes Identifying humor	Phrasal nouns Verb patterns

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Writing skill	Writing task	Digibook video activity	Study skills & critical thinking skills
Formality	A formal email to a college professor	Campus life	Study skills: Process writing and peer checking
Creating an outline	A report on hosting a major sports event	Around the dinner table	Study skills: Finding an idea to write about
Transition sentences	An essay on childhood memories	messy desk, messy mind	Critical thinking skills: Eye-witness testimony (CTS p. 142)
Avoiding plagiarism	A summary of a research paper	At the shops	Study skills: Evaluating online sources
Hedging	An argumentative essay	Eat out or eat in?	Critical thinking skills: Internal consistency (CTS p. 65)
Writing definitions	A comparison essay on endangered languages	Taking hobbies to the extreme	Study skills: Academic referencing
Emphasizing your point	A persuasive essay about overpopulation	In the city	Critical thinking skills: Argument: Persuasion through reasons (CTS p. 40)
Report writing	A report for a supermarket	Getting away from it all	Study skills: Editing your work
Writing effective conclusions	A cause and effect essay	Career choices	Critical thinking skills: Relevant and irrelevant evidence (CTS p. 133)
The writer's voice	An academic essay using an appropriate voice	In celebration of food	Critical thinking skills: Assuming a causal link (CTS p. 106)