

Practical English Episode 1

Vocabulary - in a hotel (1.46)

1 Reception

6 the lift

2 a single room

4 a double room

3 the bar

5 the ground floor

Introduction (1.47)

Rob Hi. My name's Rob Walker. I live

here in London, I work in London,

and I write about London! I

work for a magazine called *London*

24seven. I write about life in London.

The people, the theatre, the restaurants...It's fun! I love

London. It's a great city.

Jenny Hi. My name's Jenny Zielinski. I'm

from New York. The number one city in the world. I'm the

assistant editor of a magazine, New

York 24seven. I'm the new assistant editor. But this week, I'm on a business trip to London. This is my first time in the UK. It's

. . .

very exciting!

Checking in (1.48)

Receptionist Good evening, madam.

Jenny Hello. I have a reservation. My

name's Jennifer Zielinski.

Receptionist Can you spell that, please?

Jenny Z-I-E-L-I-N-S-K-I...

Receptionist For five nights?

Jenny Yes, that's right.

Receptionist Can I have your passport, please?

Jenny Just a second...Here you are.

Receptionist Thank you. Can you sign here,

please? Thank you.

Here's your key. It's room 306, on

the third floor. The lift is over there.

Jenny The lift? Oh, the elevator.

Receptionist Yes. Enjoy your stay, Ms Zielinski.

Jenny Thank you.

Checking in – listen and repeat (1.49)

A Good evening, madam.

B Hello. I have a reservation. My name's Jennifer

Zielinski.

A Can you spell that, please?

B Z-I-E-L-I-N-S-K-I.

A For five nights?

B Yes, that's right.

A Can I have your passport, please?

B Just a second...

Here you are.

A Thank you. Can you sign here, please? Thank

you. Here's your key. It's room 306, on the third

floor. The lift is over there.

B The lift? Oh, the elevator.

A Yes. Enjoy your stay, Ms Zielinski.

B Thank you.

Can you...? Can I have...? (1.50)

A Can you spell that?

B Can you sign here?

A Can I have my key, please?

B Can I have your passport, please?

Jenny talks to Rob (1.51)

Waitress Is your tea OK?

Jenny Yes, thank you... It's very quiet this

evening.

Waitress Yes, very relaxing! Are you on

holiday?

Jenny No, I'm here on business.

Waitress Where are you from?

Jenny I'm from New York. What about you?

Waitress I'm from Budapest, in Hungary.

Jenny Really? Oh, sorry.



Waitress No problem.

Hello? **Jenny**

Rob Is that Jennifer?

Jenny Yes...

Rob This is Rob. Rob Walker... From

London 24seven?

Oh Rob, yes, of course. Hi. **Jenny**

Rob Hi. How are you?

Oh, I'm fine, thanks. A little tired, **Jenny**

that's all.

Rob I can meet you at the hotel tomorrow

morning. Is nine ok for you?

That's perfect. **Jenny**

Rob Great. OK, see you tomorrow at

nine.

Jenny Thanks. See you then. Bye. Would you like another tea? **Waitress**

Jenny No, thanks. It's time for bed.

Waitress Good night, and enjoy your stay.

Good night. **Jenny**

Would you like ... ? (1.52)

A Would you like a coffee?

B Yes, please.

A Would you like another tea?

B No, thanks.

Social English phrases (1.53)

1 I'm here on business.

2 I'm from New York. What about you?

3 No problem.

4 This is Rob. Rob Walker.

5 That's perfect.

6 It's time for bed.

2C Video Listening

Have a safe journey!

Here are ten top tips to make your car journey safe.

Tip one: Plan your journey. Look at a map and plan where to stop on the way.

Tip two: Check your car. Is it ready for a long journey? Do it yourself or take it to a garage.

Tip three: Listen to traffic information on the radio, or check on the internet, before you start your journey.

Tip four: Take a map with you in the car, or have a map app on your phone - satnav (or GPS) isn't always right.

Tip five: Take bottles of water. People are often thirsty on long car journeys.

Tip six: If you have children in the car, take books, games, and tablets with you. Then the children can watch videos or read. When children are guiet, the driver is less distracted.

Tip seven: Check that all the passengers in the car have their seat belt on.

Tip eight: Check that you have petrol. Don't wait until your petrol tank is nearly empty before you look for a petrol station.

Tip nine: After driving for two hours, stop for fifteen minutes. Have a snack, and get some fresh air. If you're very tired, have a coffee or a drink with caffeine.

Finally, tip ten. This is very, very important. Don't use your phone.

Phoning and texting are very dangerous because you don't concentrate on the road.

Have a safe journey!

Revise and Check

Can you understand these people? 1&2 (2.18)

1 Mallini

Interviewer What's your name?

Mallini Mallini.

Interviewer How do you spell it?

Mallini M-A-L-I-N-I.

2 Olga

Interviewer Where are you from?

Olga Originally I'm from Russia.

Interviewer And where in Russia?

Olga Moscow.

3 Mairi

Interviewer What's your name?

Mairi My name's Mairi.

Interviewer How do you spell it?

Mairi M-A-I-R-I.

Interviewer Where are you from?

I'm from Edinburgh. Mairi

Where's that? Interviewer

That's in Scotland. Mairi

4 Jake

Interviewer Are you tidy or untidy?

Jake I'm very tidy.

Interviewer What's on your desk?

Jake On my desk I have all of my pencils

and my computer.

Practical English Episode 2

Rob and Jenny meet (3.27)

Rob Erm... Jennifer?

Jenny Rob?

Rob Yes, hello.

Rob Nice to meet you, Jennifer.

Jenny Call me Jenny. Good to meet you, too.

Rob Welcome to London. Am I late?

Jenny Erm... just a little.

Rob What time is it? Jenny Nine fifteen.

Rob I'm really sorry. The traffic is terrible today.

Jenny No problem.

How are you? How's the hotel? Rob

Jenny The hotel's very nice. But breakfast isn't

great. I'd like a good cup of coffee. Not hotel

coffee, real coffee.

OK, let's get a coffee. Rob

Jenny Do I have time? I have a meeting at nine-

thirty.

Rob With Daniel?

Jenny Yes.

Don't worry. We have lots of time, the office Rob

is very near.

So, Jenny, where do you live in New York..? Rob

Buying a coffee (3.28)

Barista Can I help you?

Rob What would you like, Jenny?

Jenny An espresso, please.

Barista Single or double?

Jenny Double.

Rob Can I have a latte, please?

Barista Regular or large?

Rob Large.

Barista To have here or take away?

Rob To take away.

Barista Anything else?

Jenny No, thanks.

Rob A brownie for me, please...and a croissant...

Barista OK

Rob How much is that?

Barista That's 12.45, please.

Rob Sorry, how much?

Barista 12.45. Thank you. And your change.

Rob Thanks.



Buying a coffee - listen and repeat (3.29)

Barista Can I help you?

Rob What would you like, Jenny?

Jenny An espresso, please.

Barista Single or double?

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Barista Regular or large?

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Barista Anything else?

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Barista OK.

Rob How much is that?

Barista That's 12.45, please.

Rob Sorry, how much?

Barista 12.45. Thank you.

Barista And your change.

Rob Thanks.

First day in the office (3.30)

Rob Here we are. This is the office. And this is

Karen.

Jenny Hello, Karen.

Rob Karen, this is Jennifer Zielinski from the New

York office.

Karen Hello, Jennifer.

Jenny Nice to meet you.

Rob Karen is our administrator...We all depend on

her.

Karen Don't listen to Rob.

Rob But it's true!

Karen Is this your first time in the UK, Jennifer?

Jenny Yes, it is. But it isn't my first time in Europe. I

have family in Poland.

Karen Really? And where do you live in New York?

Jenny In Manhattan. Do you know New York?

Karen Yes. My sister lives in Brooklyn.

Jenny I have family in Brooklyn, too. Where does

your sister live?

Daniel Jennifer!

Jenny Daniel?

Daniel How nice to meet you at last.

Daniel Would you like something to drink? Tea,

coffee, water?

Jenny Oh no, I'm fine, thanks.

Daniel Great.

Daniel Oh, Karen. What time is my next meeting?

Karen At twelve o'clock.

Daniel That's good, we have time. OK, come into

my office, Jennifer.

Jenny Thank you.

Daniel Talk to you later, Rob.

Rob Yeah. Sure.

Social English phrases (3.31)

1 Here we are.

2 Is this your first time in the UK?

3 Would you like something to drink?

4 Talk to you later.

4C Video Listening

The island of Okinawa

Okinawa is an island about four hundred miles south of Japan. It's a beautiful island, with wonderful

beaches and clear blue water. It also has more

centenarians – people who are a hundred years old

or more - than anywhere else in the world. What's

more, they seem to age more slowly than other

people. According to scientists, people there who are

actually seventy often have the bodies of fifty-year

olds. Many of them are very healthy all through their

lives.

What's their secret? Most people think it's because of

their healthy lifestyle. They don't have big meals -

they have a cultural habit called hara hachi bu, which

means they always stop eating before they're full.

They usually just have fish and vegetables,



especially sweet potatoes, and they eat a lot of seaweed, which is one of the healthiest foods there

But diet isn't the only reason why they live so long. The Okinawans are very active, and they often work in their gardens until they're eighty or more. Many of them also do t'ai chi or martial arts, every day. They have a good social life. They visit friends or family, and a lot of them belong to community centres. Some play the traditional Okinawan guitar, an instrument similar to a banjo.

The old people of Okinawa are very positive and happy with their lives. They aren't stressed, because they're never in a hurry. Their spiritual lives are important to them, especially the women, and many of them meditate every day.

In Okinawa, people say you're a child until you are fifty-five. And when you reach ninety-seven, your local town holds a special ceremony called kajimaya to celebrate the fact that now it's time to be young again, to be free of all responsibilities and to simply enjoy life.

Revise and Check

Can you understand these people? 3&4 (4.23)

1 Talitha

Interviewer What do you do? **Talitha** I work in Marketing.

Interviewer How many hours a week do you

work?

Talitha I work for thirty-seven hours a week.

2 Joelle

Interviewer Do you have a big family?

Joelle No, I have a small family. One sister

and parents.

Interviewer How old is your sister? Joelle My sister is thirteen.

3 Sophie

Interviewer What time do you get up in the

morning?

Usually around half past seven. Sophie

What about at weekends? Interviewer

Much later. Probably half past nine, Sophie

ten o'clock.

4 Brian

How often do you do sport or Interviewer

exercise?

Brian I tend to do sports three or four times

a week.

What do you do? Interviewer

Gym three times and then I normally Brian

do some yoga.

5 Tom

Interviewer Do you like about New York?

Tom New York? The variety. The people.

Change.

Interviewer What don't you like?

Tom What don't I like? No, not much.

Practical English Episode 3

Vocabulary - clothes (5.22)

7 a jacket

1 jeans

5 a shirt

2 a T-shirt

6 a skirt

3 shoes

4 a sweater

8 trousers



Meeting in the street (5.23)

Rob Hey, Jenny!

Jenny Oh hi, Rob. Is that coffee for me?

Rob Yes. A double espresso.

Jenny Oh wow, thanks. That's really nice of you.

Rob No problem. Do you have a meeting with

Daniel?

Jenny Yes, another meeting. And you?

Rob I'm going to the office, too. I have an

interview in twenty minutes.

Jenny Oh really? With who?

Rob A theatre director.

Jenny Sounds interesting.

Rob What time is your meeting with Daniel?

Jenny At half past nine.

Rob Ugh!

Jenny Oh no. Are you OK? I'm so sorry!

Rob I'm fine!

Jenny I'm really sorry. You can't do an interview in

that shirt.

Rob Don't worry! There's a clothes shop over

there. I can buy a new one.

Jenny OK. I can help you choose one. ... Oh, that's

my phone. Sorry, I need to answer this. See

you in there.

Rob OK.

Apologizing (5.24)

A I'm sorry.

B That's OK.

A I'm so sorry.

B Don't worry.

A I'm really sorry.

B No problem.

Buying clothes (5.25)

Sales Assistant Can I help you?

Rob Yes, what size is this shirt?

Sales Assistant Let's see. It's a small. What size do

you need?

Rob A medium.

Sales Assistant This is a medium.

Rob Thanks. Where can I try it on?

Sales Assistant The changing rooms are over there.

Rob Thank you. Sales Assistant How is it?

Rob It's fine. How much is it?

Sales Assistant It's £44.99.

Buying clothes - listen and repeat (5.26)

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Sales Assistant The changing rooms are over

there.

Rob Thank you.

Sales Assistant How is it?

Rob It's fine. How much is it?

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Jenny's on the phone (5.27)

Eddie So, Jenny, what do you think of London?

Jenny I love it, Eddie! It's so cool!

Eddie What about the people in the office?

Jenny They're really nice. And they're very polite!

Eddie What are you doing right now? You aren't in

the office. I can hear traffic.

Jenny Right now? I am standing outside a men's

clothing store.

Eddie You're what?

Jenny I'm waiting for Rob...

Eddie Who's Rob? Do you have a new boyfriend

already?

Jenny Don't be silly. He's just a guy from the office.

He's buying a new shirt.

Eddie Wait a minute. So you're waiting for a guy

named Rob outside a men's clothing



store...?

Jenny Stop it. I don't have time to explain it all now.

Jenny Oh, here he is now. I have to go.

Eddie OK. Have fun!

Jenny Bye Eddie. Love you.

Rob So what do you think?

Jenny You cannot be serious.

Rob What's wrong? You don't like my new shirt?

Jenny No way! You can't wear that to an interview!

Come on, let's go back into the store and

change it.

OK. Rob

Social English phrases (5.28)

1 It's so cool!

2 Right now?

3 Wait a minute.

4 I have to go.

5 Have fun!

6 What's wrong?

7 No way!

6C Video Listening

A London busker

This is Charlotte Campbell. She's twenty-five and she's a busker. Charlotte plays the guitar and sings on the South Bank in London. Today, she's busking near the London Eve.

'On a typical day when I'm going busking, I get the train to Waterloo and I walk to the London Eye. I start at about eleven o'clock and I play until one. Then I take a lunch break. And sometimes I stay until six or seven p.m. but in the winter when it gets dark I go home a little earlier.'

You can find buskers everywhere - in the streets, in shopping centres, outside bars and restaurants and in the parks of most British cities. In London, you can also listen to music while you're on the London Underground. Buskers play or sing all kinds of different music - opera, jazz, pop and folk.

'I like music that's on the radio, Ed Sheeran and things like that, and some older music from the 60s, like the Beatles.'

But busking isn't always easy. London is a busy city and there are lots of buskers, which means you can't just play music wherever you like.

'You need to get a permit to busk in London, and pass an audition, but when you do, there's a really nice community and busking in London becomes easy.'

So buskers like Charlotte have to choose an area of London to sing and play in. They share this area with other buskers and sometimes they have to wait for the other buskers to finish.

Charlotte lives in Brixton, in South London. In her flat, she writes her own songs and practises.

'I love writing songs. I love writing my own music.'

For Charlotte, there are good and bad things about life as a busker.

'I like meeting new people and sharing my music with a new audience. I don't like it when it gets cold.'

This is Charlotte Campbell. She's twenty-five and she's a busker. Charlotte plays the guitar and sings on the South Bank in London. Today, she's busking near the London Eye.

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Ba-baa, ba-baa, there's music in my heart

Ba-baa, ba-baa, there's music on the streets of London

That's where we are, that's where we are

Ah-hoo, yeah I get lonely

Ah-hoo, yeah I get cold

Ah-hoo, I get tired, oh so tired

But I'll never sell my soul.

Ah-hoo, from Piccadilly

Ah-hoo, to Leicester Square

Oh I gave my heart to London

And you'll always find me there.

Ba-baa, ba-baa, there's music on the streets of

London

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Revise and Check

Can you understand these people? 5&6 (6.25)

1 Duncan

Interviewer Can you play a musical instrument?

Duncan I can. I can play the violin. **Interviewer** How well do you play it?

Duncan Not very.

2 Myles

Interviewer Do you have noisy neighbours?

Myles Um, I'm lucky, um, I don't. But I think

I'm the noisy neighbour, so...

Interviewer What do you do?

Myles I play the guitar.

3 Tiffany

Interviewer What's your favourite month of the

year? Why?

Tiffany My favourite month is December

because it gets colder, and I like snow and cold weather. And I like

Christmas time.

4 Stephen

Interviewer

Interviewer What kind of music do you like?

Stephen A lot of kinds of music. Um, I

typically listen to electronic dance, and um, indie rock. I listen to the new folk, they call it. But I like opera and a lot of jazz. The list could go on.

What kind of music don't you like?

Stephen I don't like country music.

Interviewer Do you have a favourite band or

singer?

Stephen Sure. Right now, my favourite band



is Wye Oak from Brooklyn.

5 Dasha

Interviewer What kind of books do you like?Dasha Um, I read like all sorts of books,

from history books to like, novels,

and all sorts of books really.

Interviewer What are you reading at the

moment?

Dasha Er, at the moment I'm reading a

history of modern France.

Practical English Episode 4

A free morning (7.19)

 $\textbf{Rob} \qquad \text{So, Jenny, we have a free morning. What do} \\$

you want to do?

Jenny Well, you're the expert on London life! What

do you suggest?

Rob Well, we can go cycling –

Jenny I don't have a bike.

Rob We can rent bikes. It's easy.

Jenny That's cool.

Rob OK, great. So, we can cycle through the

parks, and you can see a bit of London.

Oh, hang on. Uh oh. It's Daniel. Daniel, hi!

Daniel Hi Rob. You need to do an interview this

morning with an artist. He's at the Tate

Modern.

Rob Can I do the interview on Monday?

Daniel Sorry, he can only do this morning.

Rob OK, send me the details.

Daniel Thank you very much, Rob.

Rob I'm sorry.

Jenny That's OK, I understand. Work is work!

Rob But I can meet you later, outside the Tate

Modern. It's on the South Bank.

Jenny I can find it. I have a map, I can cycle there.

Rob Let's meet at twelve o'clock then.

Jenny Great.

Vocabulary - directions (7.20)

3 on the corner

1 at the traffic lights

5 a bridge

7 opposite

2 turn left

4 turn right

9 go straight on

6 go past the church

8 at the end of the street

Asking the way (7.21)

Jenny Excuse me, please. Where's the Tate

Modern?

Passer-by one Sorry, I don't live here.

Jenny Excuse me. Is the Tate Modern near here?

Passer-by two The Tate Modern? It's near here but

I don't know exactly where. Sorry.

Jenny Thank you.

Jenny Excuse me. Can you tell me the way to the

Tate Modern, please?

Passer-by three Yes, of course. Go straight

on. Go past the church, then turn left at the

traffic lights. And it's at the end of the street.

Jenny Sorry, could you say that again, please?

Passer-by three Yes, go straight on. Go past

the church, then turn left at the traffic lights.

And it's at the end of the street. You can't

miss it!

Jenny Thank you.

Asking the way – listen and repeat (7.22)

Jenny Excuse me, please. Where's the Tate

Modern?

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Jenny Sorry, could you say that again, please?

Passer-by three Yes, go straight on. Go past the church, then turn left at the traffic lights. And it's at the end of the street. You can't miss it!

Jenny Thank you.

Jenny and Rob go sightseeing (7.23)

Rob Sorry about the weather.

Jenny Yeah ... but what a view! It's a great bridge too.

Rob It's the Millennium Bridge. It's not for cars, only for people. It was the first new bridge over the Thames in 100 years –

Jenny You sound like a tour guide!

Rob Sorry... I interviewed the architect last year. So what would you like to visit?

Jenny What is there to see?

Rob Well, we could see the Tate Modern first as we're here, and then we could go to the Globe Theatre. Do you like Shakespeare?

Jenny Not really. I studied too much Shakespeare in college.

Jenny It's Daniel.

Jenny Sorry. Hi, Daniel.

Daniel Hi, Jennifer. How's your free day? Are you enjoying London?

Jenny Absolutely. It's fantastic.

Daniel Listen, I have some free time today. Would you like to meet for lunch?

Jenny That's really nice of you, Daniel, but I'm sorry, I can't. I'm really far away from the office right now.

Daniel That's OK. No problem. Maybe another time?

Jenny Definitely. Bye.

Rob What did he want? Anything important?

Jenny Not at all. Hey, let's go inside the Tate Modern now.

Rob Yes, of course. There's a great restaurant on the top floor. The view is fantastic. The Tate Modern was a power station until 1981. Did you know that?

Jenny I didn't. Do you know anything else about the Tate Modern?

Rob Thank you for asking. I know a lot about it actually.

Social English phrases (7.24)

1 What a view!

2 What would you like to visit?

3 What is there to see?

4 We could go to the Globe Theatre.

5 Would you like to meet for lunch?

6 That's really nice of you.

7 Maybe another time?

8 Yes, of course.

8C Video Listening

A haunted castle

Hi, I'm Ned. Welcome to Portchester Castle.

Portchester Castle is over one thousand seven hundred years old. It's near Portsmouth, a city on the south coast of England. The castle is part of English Heritage. English Heritage is a charity, which manages over four hundred old buildings and monuments in England.

With so many old buildings, there are also lots of reports of ghosts. And ghosts are sometimes a problem for staff and visitors at English Heritage. In fact, some staff decided to leave their jobs because of the ghosts. I've come here to Portchester to find out more about reports of not one, but four ghosts! And many of the ghosts come from different times in Portchester's long history. Portchester Castle dates back to Roman Britain; the Romans built the original castle here in the year two hundred and ninety. The first ghost report also comes from Roman times. Visitors report that they see the ghost of a Roman



soldier guarding the walls, but they say they don't feel frightened.

In the Middle Ages, Portchester became a favourite castle for the kings and queens of England. During this time, a small monastery was built. There's a church here now in place of the monastery. People say that they see a man dressed in black here and they think he is the ghost of a monk from the monastery. Surprisingly, people don't feel frightened when they see him. They say that he disappears when they look at him.

Our first two ghosts are not very frightening, but the next ghost really frightens people – the White Lady. Some people believe that this is the ghost of Charlotte White. She was a woman who visited the castle in the nineteenth century. Charlotte's baby fell into the water and poor Charlotte also died when she tried to save her child.

The most frightening ghost of all is a man on a black horse. Both castle visitors and staff say that they see him. One of the staff who saw the ghost said, 'It got bigger and bigger. It started to come towards me and I screamed and ran away'. People also say they hear the sound of horses; one visitor even heard the sound of horses on a video he filmed. One of the strange things about the man on the horse is that we don't know who he is or which part of Portchester's long history he is from.

I was quite sure I didn't believe in ghosts before I came here, but, after a day at Portchester, I'm not so sure.

Revise and Check

Can you understand these people? 7&8 (8.25)

I was born in Italy.

1 Rebecca

Rebecca

Interviewer Where were you born?

Interviewer Do you have family there?Rebecca Yes, all my family lives there.

Interviewer Where do you live now?

Rebecca I live in the UK.

Interviewer Where in the UK?

Rebecca I live in Newcastle.

2 James

Interviewer Did you go out last weekend?

James Er, yes, I did.
Interviewer What did you do?

James Er, I went with some friends to a pub,

um, in Banbury, a town near here, and we watched a band. It was really

good.

3 Maura

Interviewer What's your favourite room in your

house?

Maura Probably my bedroom. I love

sleeping.

Interviewer Can you describe it?

Maura Er, yes, it's got a bed, and two

bedside tables, a wardrobe, and a

chest of drawers.

4 Asya

Interviewer What did you do yesterday evening?

Asya Last night I had dinner with my

brother in Brooklyn.

Interviewer What time did you go to bed?

Asya I went to bed around 1.00 a.m.

5 David

Interviewer What did you do on New Year's Eve

last year?

David So, last, last New Year's Eve, my

wife and I, we met some friends in downtown New York, in Manhattan. We went to a very nice steakhouse, and then went for some cocktails, and er, sang in the New Year in, er,

in New York.

Interviewer Did you have a good time?

David We had a very, very good time.



Practical English Episode 5

An invitation to dinner (9.21)

Jenny Thanks for showing me around London yesterday. I had a great time.

Rob Me too. So, what did you do last night?

Jenny Nothing really. I had a lot of work to do. Emails, phone calls... What did you do?

Rob I wrote my article... about the artist that I interviewed yesterday morning.

Jenny Can I see it?

Rob Sure, it's on my laptop. Hang on a second.

Jenny Sorry. Hi, Eddie.

Eddie Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to

Jenny Thanks! But listen, I can't talk right now. I'm in the office...

Eddie OK.

Jenny Yeah, later.

Eddie Have fun.

Jenny OK. Sorry. But it's my birthday today.

Rob Really?! Happy Birthday! Maybe we could have dinner tonight?

Daniel Jennifer.

Jenny Oh, hi Daniel.

Daniel I'd like to take you out for dinner this evening.

Jenny This evening?

Daniel Yes, for a working dinner. We have a lot to talk about before you go back to New York. I know a very good restaurant.

Jenny Yes, of course.

Daniel Great. See you later.

Jenny Yes, sure. Sorry, Rob.

C We won the cup! **D** Congratulations!

E I have my driving test tomorrow.

F Good luck!

4

G I got all my English homework right.

H Well done!

5

I didn't pass my exam.

J Oh dear! Never mind.

Responding to what somebody says 2 (9.23)

A I got two goals this afternoon.

B Well done!

2

C I passed my exams. I'm a doctor!

D Congratulations!

E I'm 30 today.

F Happy Birthday!

4

G I didn't pass my driving test.

H Oh dear! Never mind.

I have my English exam tomorrow.

J Good luck!

Vocabulary – understanding a menu (9.24)

courses

soup

grilled

home-made

sauce

fresh

Responding to what somebody says 1 (9.22)

1

A It's my birthday today.

B Happy Birthday!

2



Ordering a meal (9.25)

Waiter Good evening. Do you have a reservation?

Daniel Yes, a table for two. My name's Daniel O'Connor.

Waiter Come this way, please.

Waiter Are you ready to order?

Jenny Yes. The soup and the mushroom ravioli,

please.

Daniel I'd like the mozzarella salad and then the

chicken, please.

Waiter What would you like to drink?

Jenny Just water for me.

Daniel A bottle of mineral water, please.

Waiter Still or sparkling?

Daniel Is sparkling ok?

Jenny Yes, sparkling.

Waiter Thank you, sir.

Daniel Thank you.

Ordering a meal - listen and repeat (9.26)

Waiter Good evening. Do you have a reservation?

Daniel Yes, a table for two. My name's Daniel

O'Connor.

Waiter Come this way, please. ... Are you ready to

order?

Jenny Yes. The soup and the mushroom ravioli,

please.

Daniel I'd like the mozzarella salad and then the

chicken, please.

Waiter What would you like to drink?

Jenny Just water for me.

Daniel A bottle of mineral water, please.

Waiter Still or sparkling?

Daniel Is sparkling OK?

Jenny Yes, sparkling.

Waiter Thank you, sir.

Daniel Thank you.

The end of the meal (9.27)

Daniel So, Jenny, I hear it's your birthday today.

Jenny Yes, that's right.

Daniel Well, Happy Birthday! How do you normally

celebrate?

Jenny Oh, nothing special. Maybe I go out for

dinner with friends or see a movie.

Daniel Well, we could go out somewhere after

dinner.

Waiter Would you like a dessert?

Jenny Not for me, thanks.

Daniel OK, no.

Waiter Coffee?

Jenny A decaf espresso.

Daniel The same for me, please.

Waiter Two decaffeinated espressos. Certainly, sir.

Daniel You know Jenny, you've got beautiful eyes.

Jenny I get them from my mother. Anyway, what

are your plans for the July edition of the

magazine?

Daniel The, er, July edition? I, um...

Jenny I have to take this. Sorry.

Daniel No problem.

Jenny Hi Barbara.

Barbara Jenny, just a quick call. We really like your

idea about Rob Walker. He's a great writer.

Jenny So can I ask him?

Barbara Yes. Go ahead.

Jenny That's great.

Barbara Good luck. I hope he says yes.

Jenny Me too.

Daniel Good news?

Jenny Yeah. That was Barbara, my boss from the

New York office. She just gave me a little

birthday present.

Daniel So, would you like to go somewhere else?

Jenny I'm sorry, Daniel. I'm a little tired.

Daniel Yes. Of course. Waiter, could I have the bill,

please?...

Social English phrases (9.28)

1 Nothing special.

2 Would you like a dessert?

3 Not for me, thanks.

4 A decaf espresso.

5 The same for me, please.

6 Go ahead.

7 Good news?

8 Could I have the bill, please?

10C Video Listening

It's written in the cards - Parts 1-4

Fortune teller Come in.

Jane Good afternoon. I want to see

Madame Yolanda, the fortune

teller.

Fortune teller Madame Yolanda is not here today.

But don't worry. I'm going to tell you about your future. What questions do

you want to ask?

Jane Well, I have a problem with my

> boyfriend. We argue all the time. I'm not sure that he loves me. I want to know if we're going to stay together.

Fortune teller Please choose five cards, but don't

look at them. Ah, this is a good card. This means you're going to be very

lucky.

Jane But am I going to stay with my

boyfriend?

Fortune teller Maybe. We need to look at the other

cards first. Mm, a house. A new house. You're going to move, very

soon, to another country.

Jane But my boyfriend works here. He

can't move to another country.

Fortune teller Let's look at the next card. A heart.

You're going to fall in love.

Who with? Jane

Fortune teller Let me concentrate. I can see a tall,

dark man. He's very attractive.

Oh. that's Jim. Jane

Fortune teller Who's Jim? Your boyfriend?

No. Jim is a man I met at a party last Jane

month. He's an actor, from New

York. He says he's in love with me. It

was his idea for me to come to

Madame Yolanda.

Fortune teller Well, the card says that you're going

to fall in love with him.

Jane Are you sure? But what about my

boyfriend?

Fortune teller Let's look at the fourth card. Now I

can see everything clearly. You're going to leave your boyfriend and go

away with the other man, with Jim...to another country. And very soon you're going to get married.

Jane Married? To Jim! But am I going to

be happy with him?

Fortune teller You're going to be very happy

together. I'm sure of it.

Jane Oh no, look at the time. I'm going to

be late for work.

It's written in the cards - Part 5

So, what happened? Yolanda

Jim It was perfect! She believed

> everything. I told you, I'm a very good actor. She was sure I was a fortune teller! That's Jane's £50 and another £50 from me. Thanks very much, Madame Yolanda. Bye.

Yolanda Wait, young man! Don't travel with

that girl - her plane is going to...

Revise & Check

Can you understand these people? 9&10 (10.21)

1 Graziella

Interviewer Do you think you have a healthy

diet?

Graziella Um, for the most part, I would say I

> have a healthy diet. Er, lots of fruits and vegetables, and a little bit of

chocolate, here and there.

Interviewer How much sugar and salt do you

eat?

Graziella Um, I don't have that much salt in my

diet, but with all of the fruit that I

have, I would say I have quite a bit of

sugar, natural sugars.

2 Kara

Interviewer Do you like cooking?

I love to cook. Kara

Interviewer Do you think you're a good cook?

I do think I'm a good cook. Kara Interviewer What's your speciality?

Kara Um, my husband is Cuban, so I

learned to cook Cuban food for him,

so that's my specialty.

3 Maura

Interviewer What's the most beautiful city you've

ever been to? Why?

Er, that's a difficult question, but I Maura

> think I'd have to say Edinburgh. Um, it's very beautiful, it's got the sea, it's got an extinct volcano in the centre, and every street has, er, a different

view.

4 Kevin

Interviewer Where are you going to go for your

next holiday?

Kevin Er, we've booked that for January

and we're going to Thailand for two

weeks.

Where are you going to stay? Interviewer

Kevin We're staying three nights in

> Bangkok, three nights in an island called Ko Samui and five nights in an

island called Ko Tao.

Interviewer How are you going to get there?

Kevin We are flying from Edinburgh to, er,

> Dubai, Dubai to Bangkok, and then it's another flight from Bangkok to Ko Samui, and then a ferry from Ko

Samui to Ko Tao.

5 Mica

Interviewer What's the biggest difference

between the US and the UK?

Mica Um, so the biggest difference

> between the US and the UK in New York City, er food's, very different here compared to the UK. Um, lots of burgers and pizza, and fast food and

things like that.

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Jenny's last morning (11.14)

Jenny Rob!

Jenny, hi. Sorry I'm a bit late. Rob

Jenny No problem.

Really? Rob Jenny Really!

Rob I got your message.

Jenny Would you like a coffee or something?

Rob No, I'm fine thanks. So what did you want to

> talk about? You think London is the best city in the world and you don't want to go home.

Jenny Not exactly... We'd like you to come to New

York.

Me? To New York?! Rob

Jenny I talked to Barbara about you. You know,

Barbara, my boss? She loves your articles, too. So...would you like to come over to New

York and work for us. Just for a month. And



write a column for NewYork 24seven. And

maybe a daily blog?

Rob Wow, sounds great!? What could I call it? An

Englishman in New York?

Jenny Why not! Are you interested?

Rob Yes. Very. It's amazing! But I need to think

about it.

Jenny Of course.

Rob When do I need to decide?Jenny Before the end of the week?

Rob OK, great. Thank you.

Jenny And now, I really have to go.

Vocabulary – public transport (11.15)

3 bus

2 plane

6 taxi

1 train

5 coach

4 tram

Getting to the airport (11.16)

Jenny Could you call me a taxi, please?

Receptionist Yes, of course. Where to?

Jenny To Paddington station.

Receptionist And when would you like it for?

Jenny Now, please.

Jenny How much is it?

Taxi driver That's 13.60, please.

Jenny Make it £15. And could I have a

receipt?

Taxi driver Thank you very much, madam.

Jenny Could I have a ticket to Heathrow

Airport, please?

Ticket clerk Single or return?

Jenny Single, please.

Ticket clerk Standard or first class?

Jenny Standard, please.

Ticket clerk That's £18.

Jenny Can I pay by credit card?

Ticket clerk Yes, of course.

Jenny Could you call me a taxi, please?

Receptionist Yes, of course. Where to?

Jenny To Paddington Station.

Receptionist And when would you like it for?

Jenny Now, please.

Jenny How much is it?

Taxi driver That's 13.60, please.

Jenny Make it £15. And could I have a

receipt?

Taxi driver Thank you very much, madam.

Getting to the airport – listen and repeat (11.17)

Jenny Could I have a ticket to Heathrow

Airport, please?

Ticket clerk Single or return?

Jenny Single, please.

Ticket clerk Standard or first class?

Jenny Standard, please.

Ticket clerk That's £18.

Jenny Can I pay by credit card?

Ticket clerk Yes, of course.

Saying goodbye (11.18)

Jenny Where is it? Where's my phone?!

Rob Are you looking for this?

Jenny Rob! I can't believe it! My phone!

You're a hero, thank you so much.

Rob No problem. It gave me a chance to see you

again. And I had more time to think about

your offer.

Jenny And?

Rob I'd love to accept. I really want to come and

work in New York.

Jenny That's great, Rob! I'm so happy.

Rob Me too. Oh, you had a call from Eddie. I

didn't answer it. Is he going to meet you at

the airport?

Jenny Eddie? No. He's at college in California.

Rob In California? Does he teach there?

Jenny Teach? No, he's a student.

Rob A student?



Jenny Well, he's only 19. Eddie's my brother.

Jenny I need to go.

Rob Well, have a good journey.

Jenny Thanks, Rob. Bye.

Rob Bye. And see you in New York!

Social English phrases (11.19)

1 I can't believe it!

2 Thank you so much.

3 I'm so happy.

4 Have a good journey.

5 See you in New York!

12C Video Listening

Judi Dench - a life in acting

Judi Dench is one of a golden generation of British actors who have had long and successful careers, including Maggie Smith, Vanessa Redgrave, Ian McKellen, Michael Caine, and Anthony Hopkins. She has acted in the theatre, on television, and in films in a career of nearly sixty years.

Judith Olivia Dench was born on the ninth of December nineteen thirty-four in York in the north of England. Dench's father was a doctor, but she had connections from a very early age to the Theatre Royal in York – her father was the theatre's doctor and her mother made costumes for the theatre. As a teenager, Judi Dench acted in the York Mystery Plays. These religious plays have been performed in York every four years since the fourteenth century.

In the late nineteen fifties and nineteen sixties, she acted with Britain's most important theatre companies, the Old Vic, the Royal Court, and the Royal Shakespeare Company.

In the nineteen seventies and nineteen eighties, Dench continued to work in the theatre and on British television. In nineteen seventy-eight, she acted in Shakespeare's Macbeth with the actor Ian McKellen.

both in the theatre and on film. Many people think it was one of the best ever performances of the play. She also appeared in British films like A Room with a View in nineteen eighty-five and Henry V in nineteen eighty-nine.

In the nineteen nineties, her career changed with two films. The first of these was the James Bond film, GoldenEye, where Dench played Bond's boss, M, normally a part for a man. Dench was a great success in the part. She was hard, and at the same time funny. She played the part in eight films, with both Pierce Brosnan and Daniel Craig as James Bond. The second film that changed her career was Mrs Brown in nineteen ninety-seven. Dench played Queen Victoria. This small, British film was a great success and she was nominated for an Oscar for Best Actress.

In nineteen ninety-eight, she played Queen Elizabeth I in the comedy, Shakespeare in Love. The film was another big hit. It won the nineteen ninety-nine Oscar for Best Film, and Judi Dench won the Oscar for Best Supporting Actress. She's only in the film for eight minutes, but, as ever, she's absolutely brilliant.



Revise & Check

Can you understand these people? 11&12 (12.14)

1 Anna

Interviewer What are you doing in the UK?

Anna In the UK, er, I just came for a visit.

> I'm here the second time in my life, and it was always a dream of mine to

come to London. Er, yes.

Interviewer Was there anything that surprised

you about the UK when you arrived?

Anna I think that the people are very open,

and that, um, just everybody is so

nice, and I also saw some monuments and some places I

wanted to see, so I was also very impressed about the architecture,

etc.

2 Madeleine

Interviewer How do people in your country drive?

Madeleine I think it depends where you are.

> Where I live in Oregon, everything is very safe, much slower, but in New York City everything is very fast, very

dangerous.

Interviewer Are you a typical driver for where you

live?

I would say so, I d-, I'm a very Madeleine

cautious driver.

3 Chris

Interviewer Do you have any ambitions for this

year?

Chris Um, yes, I'd like to visit my daughter

in Australia, and also plan towards

my retirement.

Interviewer Do you think you're going to do

them?

Chris Certainly the planning, whether or

not I achieve the visit is something

else.

4 Talitha

Interviewer Have you ever seen a film more than

three times?

Talitha Yes, I really like Lord of the Rings, so

I've definitely seen that more than

three times.

Interviewer What do you like about it?

Talitha I love the scenery, um, and I love the

imagination.

5 Martin

Interviewer What phone do you have?

Martin I have an iPhone.

Interviewer How old is it?

Martin I believe, I believe my iPhone is now

two years old.

Interviewer How often do you change phones?

Martin Um, I change phones maybe every

three years.

Interviewer What do you use it for the most?

Martin I mostly use my phone for social

media.