

ENGLISH

Level 5

Small Talk

- What have you been up to this week?
- Fancy some lunch/dinner?
- I'm bored. Any ideas?

Conversation

- 'Corporate Social Responsibility' asks that rich companies give money to good causes. Do you think this should be a law?
- Do you have any suggestions to cure insomnia?
- Should fixed national holidays be dropped and replaced by floating holidays?



Grammar: Present Perfect Passive

Active voice: x does y

Passive voice: y is done by x

1. To make the passive voice:

be (in the correct tense) + p.p.

2. For the present perfect, 'be' is:

have been + p.p.

(active) They have finished the repairs

(passive) The repairs have been finished

(active) The salesman has sold that car

(passive) That car has been sold.

Phrase Book

Long time no see

It has been a while

It has been ages since I saw you

It has been ages

How long has it been?

Recent Well-being

How have you been?

How have things been?

How has life been treating you?

What have you been up to?

Been up to much recently?

News about peers

Did you see that...?

Did you hear that...?

Did you hear what (x) did?

Have you heard? ...(news)

Have you heard what (x) did?

VOCABULARY:
3D SHAPES

cube
cuboid
pyramid
cone
sphere
hemisphere
cylinder
prism

IDIOMS
(REVIEW)

What do these idioms mean:

- back to square one?
- back to the drawing board?
- back the wrong horse?

Visa & Immigration - Dialogue review + part 3

single-entry

multi-entry

(the Canadian) border

valid

fill out

visa waiver

national

citizen

(do s/th) in person

specific details

What is the nature of your visit?

I'll check that out

That's all for now

The immigration officers in America are **renowned** for giving visitors a **hard time**, and many people complain they are just **wannabe** cops **getting high off** their authority. Certainly I've found the attitude of some to be rather irksome in the past: there is **nothing worse than** stepping off a **long-haul flight** and then being **interrogated** in a **condescending manner** by some government **lackey**, or treated like a **moron** because you didn't fill out some **frivolous paperwork**. **That said**, I have also met immigration officials who are warm and welcoming, and who politely **go through the formalities** – checking your on-going ticket, scanning your fingerprints, etc. – before sending me **merrily on my way**. I guess it is **the luck of the draw**: some people are pleasant, some people are **jerks**, and some people may simply be in a bad mood because they had a disappointing breakfast or had a fight with their **spouse**. No country's homeland security can **account for that**.

The Battle of Culloden



The Battle of Culloden happened on April 16th, 1746, near Inverness, Scotland.

The Lead-up

The Jacobites were a group of Scottish Highlanders who wanted to restore The House of Stuart to the British throne.

The reason for this was largely due to the actions of the ruling House of Hanover, who were in the process of wiping out the traditional Scottish clan system in order to have better control of the country.

Some of the rules that were introduced by the House of Hanover were the banning of kilts and tartans, the handing over of swords to the government, and the removal of clan leaders' powers.

The Jacobites were supported and armed by the French, who were also against the House of Hanover. 'The Auld Alliance' between Scotland and France had dated from at least the 13th century.

The Battle

The battle was between The Jacobites and the loyalist army of the British Government, led by the Duke of Cumberland.

The battle was quick, bloody and brutal. The British army killed between 1500 and 2000 Jacobites, and reported losing as few as 30 men.

By April 18th, the Jacobite army had disbanded, choosing to flee back into the Highlands, or abroad.

Charles Edward Stuart – head of the House of Stuart and nicknamed 'Bonnie Prince Charlie' – escaped to the Western Isles, then to France, and would never return to Scotland.

The Aftermath

Defeat at Culloden was devastating for Jacobian, Highland and Gaelic culture.



The Duke of Cumberland became known as 'Butcher' as he cracked down on Jacobite culture. Many Jacobites were executed or banished to the British overseas colonies. Clans' land was removed from their ownership. Highland priests were forced to give oaths to the Hanovarian rulers. Gaelic language was widely discouraged.

Meanwhile victory at Culloden helped the House of Hanover bring the entire British Isles into line. The effects are still noticeable today: Scotland (even in much of the Highlands) is English speaking, has land ownership laws similar to England, and traditional Highland life is rare.

Theme: Bears

Polar Bear; Giant Panda; Sloth Bear; Grizzly Bear; Black Bear; Sun Bear; Spectacled Bear; Kodiak Bear