

# ENGLISH

## Level 5



### Small Talk

- What has been going on with you recently? Been up to much?
- Is there anything to eat around here?
- I need to take out some cash. Where is the nearest bank?

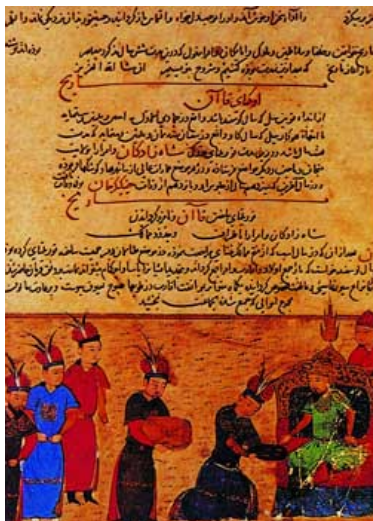
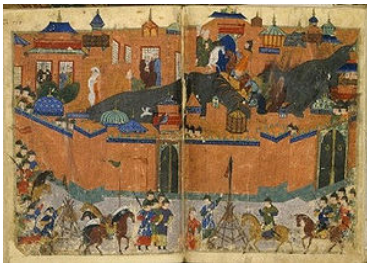
### Conversation

- Do you feel you live in a safe city/town? Are there any places you wouldn't visit?
- 'A person's personality is formed before the age of 7.' Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
- If people did not have skin, what other substance could hold them together?

### Taxi (review)

- What are some different ways to get a taxi?
- What are some ways to tell the driver where you wish to go?
- What can you say to get the driver to help you with a suitcase?





**Grammar: Passive Voice - Past Perfect (review)**

had been + p.p.

Change these into the passive:

- (i) They celebrated because they had finished the project.
- (ii) She cried because he had dumped her.
- (iii) Although they ran all the way, by the time they arrived someone had taken their place.

**Vocabulary: Accessories (review)**

- necklace
- bracelet
- wallet
- handbag
- purse
- earrings
- stud

**Western Culture: Isambard Kingdom Brunel (review)**

- When did Brunel live?
- What was his job?
- What was his father's job?
- What were some of his notable projects?
- What affects did his projects have on the UK?
- In what position did Brunel finish in a vote for Greatest Ever Britons?



## Idioms

### Jack of all trades

a person who is skilled in many different areas / can do many different jobs (often used for 'practical jobs' involving fixing or making things)

*He is a good carpenter, plumber, and can even do fix the electrical problems. Basically, he's a jack-of-all-trades, and very useful to have around.*

### Join the club

'you are not the only person who thinks that / you are not the only person who has had that happen'

*'She flirted with you, got what she wanted, and now doesn't speak to you? Yeah, well, join the club. She does that with everyone.'*

### Just what the doctor ordered

*exactly what was needed at this time*

*That holiday was just what the doctor ordered. I'd been feeling a bit run-down lately.*

## Dialogue: Travel Clinic (parts 1 & 2) (review) + part 3

jab	rural	up-to-date
vaccine	out and about	preventative measures
inoculation	not for another (+ time)	stomach issues
urban	better safe than sorry	let's get to it

Generally, I have enjoyed good luck with my health during my travels (**touch wood**). Sure, there have been a few upset stomachs, a headache or two, and touch of heatstroke, but **on the whole** everything has been **plain sailing**. I guess I have been **blessed** with a strong immune system and an **iron stomach**.

My old college flatmate, on the other hand, **had a reputation for** getting sick whenever he left the country. When he went backpacking around south-east Asia he caught a severe bout of **food-poisoning** and was **laid up** in bed for a week, and his tour of Central America was a complete disaster: he caught some **exotic** bug that **wreaked havoc** with his **guts** and **knocked him off his feet** for a month (he still **can't bring himself** to eat tacos). His journeys abroad became a **running joke** (**albeit** a joke he never found amusing), although **to his credit**, he never let the jokes or the illnesses **curb his enthusiasm** for travel.

I guess **my day will come** and I'll get **struck down** by some tropical disease, but until that day I'll also keep **globetrotting** whenever I have the money and opportunity. **After all**, you can't live your life **wrapped in cotton wool** and scared of the world.

Theme: Mongol Empire (1206-1368)

Genghis Khan, horseback riding, Kublai Khan, Tumen (battalion with 10000 men), Siege of Baghdad (1258), Yam (horse-relay postal service), Yassa (strict code of law)