



### Small Talk

- What's up? What has been going on with you?
- Watched anything good on TV this week?
- Where's your dad/mum/boyfriend/girlfriend/dog?

### Conversation

- Who is the best cook in your family? What is their signature dish?
- What is the greatest invention in history?
- How can you get a free lunch?



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### Grammar: Present Perfect Continuous

have been ...ing

Use the present perfect continuous for:

1. saying how long you have been doing something (action = not finished)

*I have been running for 1 hour*

*I have been eating lunch with him every Friday since December*

2. talking about something you have only just finished doing which is important to now

*Look who's home. And it looks like she has been shopping.*

*'Why are you sweating?'*

*'Oh, I've been running.'*

\*\*Stative verbs (verbs which describe something true i.e. be, like, love, have, etc.) do not usually take -ing, so do not usually use the continuous (-ing) tenses.\*\*

## School Subjects (review)

chemistry  
physics  
biology  
technical  
metalwork  
woodwork  
electronics  
social studies  
home economics  
RE (religious education)

- Which subjects are the most interesting?
- Which subjects are the most dull?
- If you were going to teach one of these subjects, which would it be?
- Which can help you earn the most money? Which are, professionally, a waste of time?



## Changing Money: Dialogue (review) + Part 3

currencies  
...to the (dollar)  
on site

notes  
travellers' cheques  
bureau de change

..., if I could  
I was hoping  
I wondering whether  
I'll give it a go

Use these phrases:

apart from  
except for  
without a doubt

For several years I have collected currencies from around the world. My favourites are currencies that do not exist anymore – German Marks, Greek Drachma – and currencies from very small countries. I also like unusual money: Japanese coins with holes in the middle, and Irish notes that feel like plastic. Older coins and notes are also interesting because I like to see how the different designs have changed.

Sometimes the Royal Mint in the UK, or the United States Mint in America, make collectors coins for special occasions, although I don't think these are so exciting; after all, the thrill of collecting is to find things by one's self, not be told to collect. That said, I do have a commemorative 'Jackie Robinson \$5', which I have heard may be worth some money.



## Idioms

### deep pockets

wealthy; able to fund / afford a lot of things

*The project has been a disaster so far, but the owners have deep pockets. However, they are beginning to get a little angry.*

*It seems the only way to have a winning football team now is for it to have deep pockets; money has become more important than coaching.*

### down the drain

a complete waste (often used for money)

*The project had been going well when suddenly the backers pulled out. 6 months and half a million dollars straight down the drain.*

*I bought a TV yesterday, only to find it doesn't work with my satellite connection. All that money down the drain.*

### dead meat

(spoken threat) you're dead; I'll kill you  
– examples

*"If you touch my girlfriend, you're dead meat."*



### Western Culture: The Three Billy Goats Gruff (review)

- What lived under the bridge?
- What did the first two goats say to stop being eaten?
- What did the third goat do?