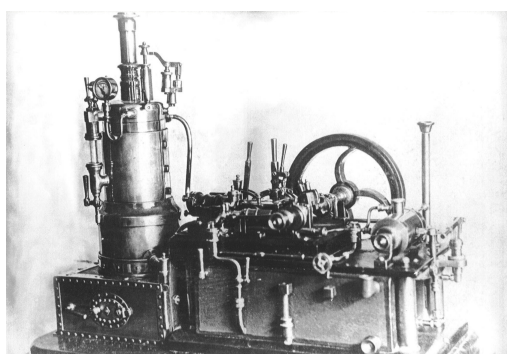


ENGLISH

Level 4



Small Talk

- What has been going on with you?
Been doing anything of note?
- How much did you pay for your shoes?
- How are things at home? All good?

Conversation

- Which is worse: being insulted by a stranger or being ignored by a friend?
- Are today's children smarter than the children of a century ago?
- If you could pause and play time, what would you do with this power?

Vocabulary: Clothes

trainers / sneakers
 running shoes / basketball shoes / skate shoes / skates
 high heels
 baseball cap
 underwear
 swimming costume
 pyjamas / pajamas
 tux (tuxedo)
 (ball) gown
 evening wear

Dialogue: Haggling (part 1)

Philip: Hi there. How much is that X-files **boxset**?

Vendor: It's £90, but I'll **give it to you for 85**.

Philip: **You couldn't** make it a bit cheaper, **could you**?

Vendor: How about 80?

Philip: I'll give you 60.

Vendor: 60? **You've got to be joking**. Are you **having a laugh**?

Philip: How about 65?

Vendor: **I'll tell you what**: I can go to 75, but no lower.

Philip: 70. **That's my final offer**.

Vendor: 75.

Philip: Oh, alright, 75. **This had better be good**.

Grammar: Phrasal Verbs vs. Prepositional Verbs (review)

- in phrasal verbs the second word creates a new verb
- in prepositional verbs the second word does not change the verb
- phrasal verbs can be split ('put it down'; 'beat him up')

Structural Phrase: **On the whole**

Generally; for the most part; mostly

December was a difficult month but, on the whole, it was a good year.

On the whole this essay was terrible. I liked what you did in the middle, but the rest was rubbish.



Flair & Skills: Hyperbole (review)

Can you use hyperbole to describe:

- being hungry?
- being tall?
- being poor?
- being clean?



Western Culture: Martin Luther King Day

- The third Monday of January is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in America.
- It celebrates the life and work of Civil Rights Activist Martin Luther King. King was born on January 15th, 1929
- It is an official holiday, meaning people get the day off work
- It has been celebrated since 1986 (although only in every state since 2000)
- Initially some people disagreed with the idea of having a holiday for King. Some said it was too expensive; some that only government people should have a day; some didn't agree with King's politics
- Stevie Wonder's song 'Happy Birthday' was written to encourage people to support the holiday
- The Super Bowl, America's biggest sporting event, cancelled plans to have the game in Arizona in 1993 because Arizona did not support the holiday
- Only 3 people have holidays named after them in America: George Washington, Christopher Columbus, and MLK
- Putting holidays on Monday is popular because it becomes a 3-day weekend

Theme: Inventions

plough; steam engine; jet engine; wind-up radio;
printing press; refrigerator; electric grid;
personal computer; automobile; gunpowder