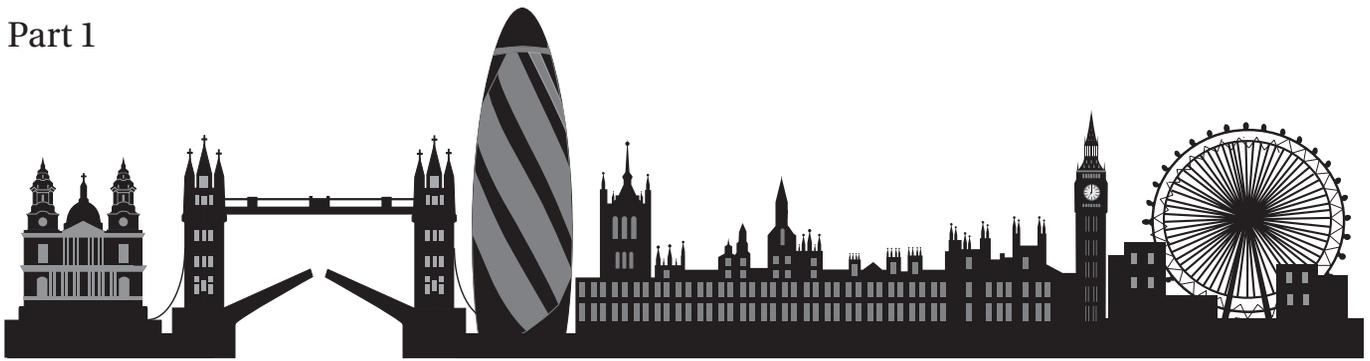


1 Communication Inner city

Part 1



Including private gardens, ¹ _____ % of London is green space.

² _____ million people live in London. It is estimated that ³ _____ million will live there by 2050.

Londoners recycle ⁴ _____ % of their waste.

Men living in the richest areas of London can expect to live ⁵ _____ years longer than those living in the poorest areas. (For women the difference is ⁶ _____ years.)

The average speed of traffic in central London is about ⁷ _____ mph.

Part 2

Team A

Although 62% of London is green space including parks and private gardens, much more than many other cities, most people in your area live in flats and there isn't a local park or community gardens where people could grow their own fruit and vegetables.

Green space

There is a clear lack of parks and green space in our area of London due to the high percentage of people locally who live in flats rather than houses. Despite the need for new homes to house London's growing population, a number of former industrial sites are available for non-residential development. To improve environmental quality and increase health benefits, we would like to see the council commit to providing a park and community gardens on at least one of these sites.

- 1 The number of Londoners who take part in sport regularly each week has fallen by almost half a million since the Olympics in 2012. There's only one public sports centre with a small swimming pool and gym in the area, but it's in desperate need of renovation.
- 2 Drivers in London wasted 66 hours stuck in traffic last year. Between 4 – 5 p.m. it takes, on average, around 30% longer to complete a journey than at other, less busy times of the day. This is a daily problem where you live, as a major route in and out of central London passes right through your community.
- 3 Cleaning up litter in London costs £3.8 million a year. 48% of the UK population admit to dropping litter. Where you live is no exception, and the local council is failing to address the problem.

Team B

Graffiti is a widespread problem across London and it's very costly, both in terms of money and time, for the council and local businesses to clean it up. 77% of all Londoners say it reduces the quality of their lives, but the problem is even more pronounced in inner London.

Graffiti

Cleaning up graffiti is very expensive and time-consuming. We would like to reduce the amount of graffiti by giving businesses the opportunity to buy anti-graffiti paint at a reduced price. While there will be an initial cost, we expect this to reduce the amount of new graffiti and the expense of cleaning it up.

- 1 Londoners only recycled 33.9% of their waste last year, and only 34% the year before. The UK average is 45%, which still doesn't reach the European-wide target for 2020 of 50%. Many residents living in flats are forced to carry their recycling downstairs to collection points which are only emptied every two weeks.
- 2 In 2013, there were on average 12.7 road accidents involving cyclists every single day of the year in London. There are no cycle lanes for cyclists in the area and the volume of traffic, especially at rush hour, discourages residents from using bikes to get to school and places of employment. Therefore, more people are encouraged to continue driving, which further adds to the amount of traffic and congestion.
- 3 London has the most expensive public transport in the world with residents spending an average of 8.2% of their annual income on travel. A London underground ticket costs more than four times as much as a similar ticket in Paris, three times as much as in New York, and ten times as much as in Moscow. No discounts are available for workers in low-paid or part-time jobs.

1 Vocabulary It's time to talk

Students A and B

Part 1

Have conversations with your partner based on the following situations, but do not use the phrases in bold.

Situation 1

Student A: You and Student B are friends and colleagues in the same company. You think that Student B always does things **at the very last minute**. They aren't very good at **time management** and should improve this.

(Why does this annoy you? Why might this be a problem?)

Student B: You think that the way you work is fine. You never miss **deadlines** and you don't see why you should change anything.

Situation 2

Student B: You and Student A are friends. You think that Student A is a bit **behind the times** in matters of technology. They need to **get up to speed** with new technology. *(In what way is Student A behind the times? Why does it matter? What could they do to change this?)*

Student A: You don't have the time to learn about, or the money to spend on, new technology.

Part 2

Match and complete these sentences about Students C and D.

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| 1 In Situation 1, Student C complains that ... | a _____ exercise. |
| 2 In Situation 1, Student C feels that ... | b _____ in their new job. |
| 3 In Situation 1, Student D tells Student C that ... | c _____ in their interesting and fun job. |
| 4 In Situation 2, people tell Student D ... | d _____ to get outside and get some exercise. |
| 5 In Situation 2, Student C recommends leisurely activities instead of ... | e _____ they should have turned the job down. |

Students C and D

Part 1

Have conversations with your partner based on the following situations, but do not use the phrases in bold.

Situation 1

Student C: You and Student D are friends. You are telling Student D that you don't like your new job. You find that **time really drags** when you're at work. You think that **with hindsight**, you shouldn't have accepted the job and should look for something different. *(What is your job and why don't you like it? What would you rather do?)*

Student D: You think that Student C should come to work for your company. You love the work you do and find that **time flies** because it's interesting and you have so much fun.

Situation 2

Student D: You and Student C are friends. You are telling Student C that you are annoyed because people tell you **time and again** that you need to get outside and get some exercise. You agree, but find exercise boring. *(Why do you need to get some exercise? What do you find so boring about it?)*

Student C: You suggest to Student D that they should do exercise that is slow and enjoyable, like swimming or walking, rather than **short and sharp** exercise like running or aerobics.

Part 2

Match and complete these sentences about Students A and B.

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|--|---|
| 1 In Situation 1, Student A complains that at work Student B ... | a ought to improve their _____ skills. |
| 2 In Situation 1, Student A suggests that Student B ... | b should get _____. |
| 3 In Situation 1, Student B doesn't see any problem because he/she always ... | c is a little _____. |
| 4 In Situation 2, Student B thinks that in technological matters, Student A ... | d meets their _____. |
| 5 In Situation 2, Student B tells Student A that when it comes to technology, he/she ... | e waits until _____, before doing things. |

1 Grammar The right verb, the right tense

Student A

1 Read the sentence pairs to Student B.

- 1 I was on my way to work. A small child ran out in front of my car.
- 2 I started work on this essay three hours ago. I still haven't finished it.
- 3 My current job pays me £25,000 a year. My new job, which starts next month, will pay me £45,000 a year.
- 4 We can't leave yet. Jan still isn't here.
- 5 My old computer gradually became slower and slower. That's why I bought a new one.
- 6 I turned on the television for the news. Halfway through the programme, the electricity suddenly went off.
- 7 I'm really excited about my holiday in Australia. My flight there leaves at 8.00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

2 Listen to Student B's sentence pairs and complete each of these sentences with one of the verbs.

There are five verbs that you do not need. Make sure you use the correct tense and add other words where necessary.

ask blow build buy complain demand go make rise say sell stay

- 1 I think that when the Olympics begin in July, _____ the new airport.
- 2 The employees in my company _____ more money.
- 3 The company was forced to close down because they _____ fewer and fewer products.
- 4 The restaurant owner hired a new manager because customers _____ about the poor service.
- 5 At the moment _____ at my sister's place because my house has been damaged by a flood.
- 6 The temperature _____ over the last few days.
- 7 When I woke up in the night, the wind _____ so much I thought it would break the windows.

Student B

1 Listen to Student A's sentence pairs and complete each of these sentences with one of the verbs.

There are five verbs that you do not need. Make sure you use the correct tense and add other words where necessary.

become begin drive earn get pay see sit wait walk watch write

- 1 _____ to work when a child ran out in front of me.
- 2 _____ this essay for three hours.
- 3 This time next month, _____ more money than I do now.
- 4 We can't leave yet because _____ for Jan.
- 5 I got a new computer because my old one _____ slower and slower.
- 6 _____ the news when the power went off.
- 7 Tomorrow morning at 8.30 a.m., _____ on an aeroplane on my way to Australia.

2 Read the sentence pairs to Student A.

- 1 They started work on the new airport two years ago. I don't think they'll finish it before the Olympics begin in July.
- 2 Everybody at work says that they aren't paid enough. They insist that the company pays them more.
- 3 Sales of the company's products fell by 60% over a three-year period. The company was forced to close down.
- 4 A lot of customers were unhappy with the service they received in the restaurant. The owner hired a new manager.
- 5 My house was flooded during the heavy rain last week. Fortunately, my sister has let me use her spare room until the damage is repaired.
- 6 On Monday it was freezing cold outside. The temperature went up by a few degrees on Tuesday, then again on Wednesday, and today it's actually quite warm.
- 7 I woke up during the night. The wind was so strong I thought it would break the windows.