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The 4 page 60 minute ESL British English lesson – 05/09/15

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SPEAKING – WARM UP

Think of three new words you learnt recently. Go round the room swapping details with others.

LISTENING – WRITING - DICTATION

The teacher will read some lines of the article slowly to the class.

READING

Students should now read the article aloud, swapping readers every paragraph.

SPEAKING - UNDERSTANDING

1) The article – Students check any unknown vocabulary or phrases with the teacher.

2) The article - Students should look through the article with the teacher.

- 1) What is the article about?
- 2) What do you think about the article?
- 3) Was this an easy or difficult article to understand?
- 4) Was this a boring or interesting article?
- 5) Discuss the article.

3) Article quiz - Students quiz each other in pairs. Score a point for each correct answer. Score half a point each time you have to look at the article for help. See who can get the highest score!

Student A questions

- 1) What does *spear phishing* mean?
- 2) What does *awesomesauce* mean?
- 3) What does *deradicalisation* mean?
- 4) What is a *Brexit* or a *Grexit*?
- 5) What is a *social justice warrior*?

Student B questions

- 1) What does *NBD* mean?
- 2) What does *manspreading* mean?
- 3) What is a *brain fart*?
- 4) What is *beer o'clock*?
- 5) What does *hangry* mean?

Category: English / English Language / New Words
Level: Intermediate / Upper Intermediate

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WRITING / SPEAKING

In pairs. On the board write as many words as you can to do with '**Dictionary**'. *One-two minutes.* Compare with other teams. Using your words compile a short dialogue together.

SPEAKING – GAME

In groups in a circle - Play the following game: *The A-Z of interesting words.*

See what you come up with! Ask the person on your right to explain the meaning of the word. Perhaps use a dictionary to help you choose some words or to check their meaning. 10 mins max.

SPEAKING – ROLEPLAY - GAME

As a class / Two groups - Play the following game: *Guess the Word!*

One of you goes to the front of the class. Mime a description of your word. The class has to guess the word by asking up to 20 questions. You may answer: Yes or No. Maximum 10 words per team. 10 mins.

DISCUSSION

Student A questions

- 1) What do you think of what you've read?
- 2) Do you have a lot of new words being created every year in your country?
- 3) Are there many English words used in your language?
- 4) Have you ever played Scrabble?
- 5) Do you play any other word games?
- 6) Do you use the Oxford Dictionary online?
- 7) How many dictionaries do you have?
- 8) How often do you use a dictionary?
- 9) For what purpose do you use a dictionary?
- 10) Should there be a meaning for *womanspreading*? If so, what should it mean exactly? (*This question was suggested by one of my female students!*)

SPEAKING – ROLEPLAY 1

In groups. One of you is the interviewer. The others are one of the following people. You are in the *Discussion FM* radio studio in London. Today's interview is about: *New words added to latest Oxford Dictionary.*

- 1) A spokesperson from Oxford Dictionary online
- 2) A journalist
- 3) A student
- 4) A language guru

The teacher will choose some groups to roleplay their interview in front of the class.

SPEAKING – GAME

As a class / Two groups – The Hangman Game – Play a game of Hangman. *10 mins.*

SPEAKING - GAME

Allow 10 minutes – As a class.

Teams of two. Each team chooses 10 interesting words. If necessary use a dictionary.

Each team alternates. Each team member takes a turn etc... Write your word on the board. The other team has to explain its meaning.

The teacher can moderate the session.

DISCUSSION

Student B questions

- 1) Did the headline make you want to read the article?
- 2) Which is your favourite dictionary? Why?
- 3) Do you use a dictionary to translate a word?
- 4) Do you use Google Translate?
- 5) Do you have a dictionary App on your computer?
- 6) What is the quickest way to find a word you need?
- 7) Do you ask someone, for example the teacher, if you don't understand a word?
- 8) Do you ever do a crossword puzzle?
- 9) Can you think of any other word games? If yes, name some!
- 10) Did you like this discussion?

GAP FILL: READING

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manspreading / NBD / whilst / temporary / commuters / brain fart / appropriate / trends

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confidential / cupcakes / awesomesauce / ostensibly / irritability / progressive / fat / induce

GAP FILL: GRAMMAR

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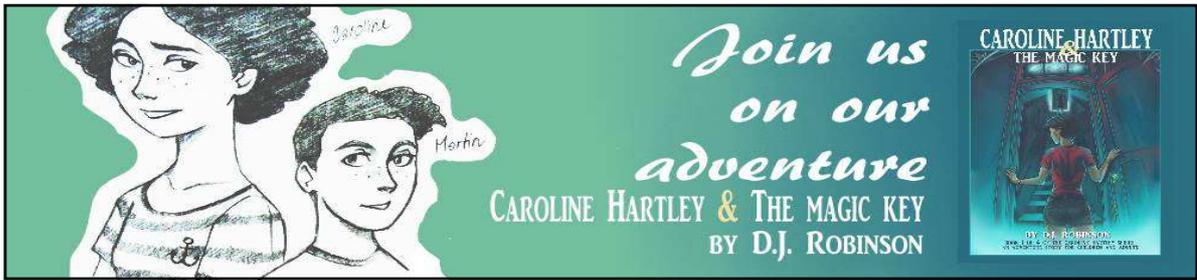
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GAP FILL: LISTENING

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WRITING/SPELLING

WRITING / SPEAKING

1) On the board - *In pairs*, list 20 things you know about: **Online Dictionaries**. *One-two minutes*. *Talk about each of them*.

2) Sentence starters - Finish these sentence starters. Correct your mistakes. Compare what other people have written.

- 1) Manspreading _____
- 2) NBD _____
- 3) I am hangry _____

3) In class - Write 50 words about: **New words added to latest Oxford Dictionary**. Your work can be read out in class.

4) Homework - Write and send a 200 word email to your teacher about: **New words added to latest Oxford Dictionary**. Your email can be read out in class.

SPELLING

The teacher will ask the class individually to spell the following words that are in the article. Afterwards check your answers.

- 1) manspreading
- 2) temporary
- 3) deradicalisation
- 4) fraudulent
- 5) confidential
- 6) reveal
- 7) cupcakery
- 8) fatberg
- 9) mass
- 10) hygiene

SPELLING

Use the following ratings:

- Pass = 12**
- Good = 15**
- Very good = 18**
- Excellent = 20**

- 11) awesomesauce
- 12) excellent
- 13) extremely
- 14) update
- 15) current
- 16) usage
- 17) commuters
- 18) Brexit
- 19) encroaching
- 20) failure

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