

Module 4

7 adventurous 8 creative 9 hidden 10 beneficial

Use of English p.39

- 1 1 architect
2 the Nobel Peace Centre in Oslo
3 She is the managing director of his business.
- 2 1 C (*cast* = film/play, *side/team* = sport, *team + of, crew* = boat/film)
2 A (*responsible + for*)
3 D (*to single out* a special person)
4 B (a *figure* is a person)
5 C (*late thirties* = collocation)
6 A (*in addition to* is a fixed expression)
7 D (*to house* is a transitive verb)
8 B (*to gain recognition*)
9 A (*to be in great demand* = collocation)
10 D (*public appearances* = collocation)
11 B (*to take the load off* someone's shoulders)
12 A (*practised at, skilful in, experienced at*)

Language development p.40

- 1 1 difference 2 persistence 3 confidence
4 appearance 5 performance 6 correspondence
7 dependence 8 assistance 9 existence
10 preference
- 2 1 responsible 2 believable 3 collapsible
4 defensible 5 adaptable 6 suitable 7 reversible
8 breakable 9 flexible 10 adjustable
- 3 1 insecure (unsafe, unpredictable, unwell)
2 unable (incapable, informal, inadequate)
3 unrealistic (irresponsible, irrelevant, irrational)
4 unpleasant (impatient, improbable, immature)
5 unlucky (illegal, illogical, illiterate)
- 4 1 a generalise b generalisations c generally
d generalities
2 a intended b intentions c unintentional
d intentionally
3 a dependable b independent c dependence
d independence
4 a powerful b powerless c empower d powerfully
5 a original b origin(s) c originality d originally
e unoriginal
6 a pleasure b pleasant c displeased d pleasing
e pleasurable
7 a various b varied c variable d variance e varying
f variety g variously

Use of English p.41

- 1 1 Team-building courses have become popular because employers have realised that good working relationships can help a company's long-term performance.
2 The benefits of these courses include employees getting to know and understand each other better, and being able to demonstrate skills that they might not be able to reveal at work.
- 2 1 acknowledge 2 disruptive 3 effectively
4 fashionable 5 residential 6 strengths

Listening p.42

- 1a 1 5 2 Life-changing decisions 3 2 4 2
- 2 1 F (*I was made redundant ... I was desperate*)
2 D (*I was so frustrated!*)
3 C (*realised it was time to do my own thing*)
4 E (*Anna didn't want to be a full-time mum*)
5 G (*I took early retirement*)
6 E (*I can't believe I ever had the nerve*)
7 D (*it took me a year to get the diploma ... really worthwhile*)
8 H (*If something goes wrong, I just think, 'So what? ...'*)
9 A (*Male friends say ... which is irritating because ...*)
10 C (*I've discovered that I have a real affinity with the young, which is really exciting*)

Audio script

Speaker 1

I was made redundant. It happened overnight, and even though I'd been in a well-paid post, I'd got hardly any savings. Jobs in my line of work are few and far between, so I was desperate. When a friend said he was selling his health-food shop, I just said I'd buy it – the words just popped out of my mouth. I had to take out a huge loan to do it, and initially it was really touch and go, because I'd never set up a business before. I'm sure my friends thought I'd go under, and looking back, I can't believe I ever had the nerve to take such a risk. But I turned the corner eventually and now the sky's the limit!

Speaker 2

I started working as an architect in London, building new cinemas. That's where I first encountered visual impairment issues – planting a seed for the future! Later, I realised the higher you go in architecture, the less actual designing you do: soon I was taking a managerial role, with three people under me. I was so frustrated! I'd been working voluntarily with blind people and decided to give up my job and train as a rehabilitation worker. It took a year to get the diploma I needed, but it was really worthwhile and I've hardly noticed the drop in salary. Although it's anything but nine-to-five, helping people rebuild their lives is a real inspiration.

Speaker 3

I was feeling lonely after my children left home. Then one day I thought, 'You're in a rut – be brave, do something different.' The first step was buying a motorbike – I'd always wanted one. The family all teased me at first. But I soon loved the freedom it gave me, and realised it was time to do my own thing. I'd been saving up for a new kitchen, but instead I sold the house and went to India to work for a charity. I've had to get on with so many new people and I've learned to trust my own instincts. If something goes wrong, I just think, 'So what? I'll just do something else instead.'

Speaker 4

When our second child was born, Anna didn't want to be a full-time mum. She's a lawyer, and her work brought in more money than mine, so it made sense for me to →

stay at home to look after the children. Some men would feel awkward in my position, but I appreciate being around to see my kids grow up. Male friends say they'd change places with me any day given half the chance – which is irritating because they think it's an easy option – but they haven't a clue what I actually do. The children just never stop – it sucks the energy out of you. No two days are the same and it's all go!

Speaker 5

When I took early retirement, Pete and I took the chance to change our lives dramatically. He already had a generous pension, so we decided to go to Africa. We knew it was right for us, having seen the beauty of the African bush, and experienced the wonderful climate on previous holidays. The brilliant thing is, I've started teaching local children. Although I was really nervous at first, being unqualified, I've discovered that I have a real affinity with the young which is really exciting. Pete has surprised himself, too – he's started doing DIY, which he hated before. Our nearest neighbours are six kilometres away, so our social life is a bit limited – but we keep busy.

Vocabulary p. 43

- 1 1 c get on with 5 a look up to
- 2 f fell for 6 d relies on
- 3 g takes after 7 e let down
- 4 b fell out over
- 2 1 the black sheep of the family 2 seen eye to eye
- 3 get their own way 4 hit it off 5 run in the family
- 6 've lost touch
- 3 1 close family 2 siblings 3 extended family
- 4 confidant/mate 5 circle of friends 6 acquaintances
- 7 friend of a friend 8 colleagues 9 partners
- 10 companion 11 flatmate 12 associate 13 ex

Language development pp. 44–45

- 1 1 It came as no surprise to me that my brother passed his exam with flying colours.
- 2 I'm horrified that you could accuse me of such a thing.
- 3 It is likely that the deal will be finalised tomorrow.
- 4 I'm delighted that I can bring you this good news.
- 5 It is ridiculous that funding for the project has been cut.
- 6 There is no proof that he is/was involved in this fraud.
- 7 I really regret that I didn't go to university when I was young.
- 8 It was obvious to the jury that she was guilty.
- 2 1 G 2 C 3 A 4 F 5 I 6 E 7 B 8 H
- 3 1 how 2 when 3 why 4 where 5 which 6 what 7 who
- 4 1 What 2 Why 3 Who 4 How 5 Who; What (either order)
- 5 1 Whether 2 if/whether 3 if/whether 4 whether 5 if/whether 6 whether 7 if/whether 8 whether
- 6 1 Growing up 2 keeping 3 to assert 4 to criticise / criticising 5 to say 6 Going 7 to be 8 having
- 7 1 It can be helpful to discuss problems with a friend.
- 2 His aim is to become a top chef by the age of 30.

- 3 Tom's really keen for us to meet Mary.
- 4 The only way the company can survive is to cut costs.
- 5 The ability of human beings to solve problems is one of the definitions of intelligence.
- 6 The tendency is for the oldest child in a family to be the most ambitious.
- 7 The main priority of younger siblings is to establish their own identity.
- 8 The most valuable contribution therapists can make is to help people recognise patterns of behaviour they need to change.
- 8 1 a It would be a great honour to meet the Dalai Lama.
- b Meeting the Dalai Lama would be a great honour.
- 2 a It is very important to spend time on your own.
- b Spending time on your own is very important.
- 3 a It would be very hard to find out his true identity.
- b Finding out his true identity would be very hard.
- 4 a It is ridiculous to say that the company is not interested in making money.
- b Saying that the company is not interested in making money is ridiculous.

Use of English p.46

- 1 1 They do special physical exercises to help them concentrate and learn better.
- 2 The children settle down more quickly and concentrate better.
- 2 1 do 2 is 3 other 4 are 5 what 6 which 7 same 8 and 9 as 10 sure 11 one 12 into 13 through 14 addition 15 go

Writing p.47

- 1 1 an article
- 2 why you think the family is still the most influential part of a young person's life
- 3 c
- 2 Plan B
- 3 1 Blood is thicker than water. 2 incredible demands 3 bombarded on all sides 4 a vast array 5 the going gets tough 6 play a part 7 through thick and thin 8 bedrock
- 4a 1 c 2 d 3 b 4 a
- 4b 1 c 2 d 3 b 4 a
- 4c ... probably have problems of their own!
... no one is a better friend than a parent!
Where do young people get their role models from?
Is it the exotic media stars admired by so many?
- 5 Title a) is the most suitable.

Reading pp.48–49

- 1 1 They are all twins.
- 2 high-achieving, well-respected in their particular field
- 3 competition between brothers and sisters
- 2 1 Bryony and Kathryn: athletics/sport
Neil and Adrian: acting
Louise and Jane: art