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MUSICIANS AND MUSIC

LESSON A ▶ *A world of music*

1 STARTING POINT

Taste in music

▲ Read the statements expressing different views on music. Which ones do you agree with?

1 "I think the more you like to dance, the more you appreciate music with a Latin beat."

2 "At first, I didn't like rap music. But the more I listened to the lyrics, the more I understood its powerful social message."

3 "Some of the greatest music is in movie soundtracks. The more exciting the soundtrack, the better the movie seems."

4 "Radio stations kill music sales by overplaying songs. The more I hear a pop song on the radio, the less I feel like buying it."

5 "I'm interested in how a band plays, not how it looks. The more a band focuses on its appearance, the less interesting the music is."

6 "Classical music has many layers of complexity. The more knowledgeable you are about it, the more you'll be able to enjoy it."

7 "TV commercials often feature a catchy tune—and the catchier the tune, the more likely you are to remember the name of the product."

8 "A lot of my friends like to go to clubs with really loud music, but not me. The louder the music gets, the sooner I feel like leaving."



STARTING POINT

presents new grammar in a variety of real-world contexts.

2 LISTENING

Awesome tunes

▶▶▶ **A** Listen to Adam and Lisa talk about music. What are they doing?

▶▶▶ **B** Listen again. What are the three types of music Adam and Lisa listen to? What do they think about the types of music they hear? Complete the chart.

	Type of music	Lisa's opinion	Adam's opinion
1.			
2.			
3.			

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3 GRAMMAR

Verbs in the subjunctive

Certain expressions and verbs such as *demand, insist, propose, recommend, request, and suggest* are followed by the subjunctive. The subjunctive uses the base form of the verb. It is generally used in formal language to express a wish or necessity.

I think consumers need to insist (that) **advertisements be** truthful in every respect. Some ads seem to demand (that) **the customer buy** the product.

These expressions are frequently followed by the subjunctive:

It is crucial	It is imperative	It is important
It is essential	It is vital	It is critical

I believe it is essential that **an ad be** clever and witty in order to be effective.

GRAMMAR PLUS see page 127

A Look at the Starting Point on page 66 again. Which opinion does not use the subjunctive?

B Use verbs followed by the subjunctive instead of *should* or *must* to rewrite these sentences without changing the meaning.

- Companies should advertise more to increase sales. (I / suggest)
I suggest that companies advertise more to increase sales.
- Advertising agencies should use humor in their ads. (It is important)
- Cities should tear down billboards that obstruct city views. (I / demand)
- The government must regulate ads on the Internet. (It is essential)
- Viewers should skip the ads that precede online video clips. (I / recommend)
- The advertising of harmful products must stop. (It is crucial)
- False advertising should be treated as a serious crime. (I / propose)
- Public television should remain commercial free. (It is vital)

C Group work Use the verbs and expressions in the box below to give these people advice on their problems. Do you ever have similar problems? Ask your group for advice.

insist	it is crucial	it is essential
propose	recommend	suggest

Useful expressions:
Asking for advice
 What do you think I should do?
 What would you do if you were me?
 What would you do if you were in my position?



LESSON B Consumer awareness 67

4 VOCABULARY & SPEAKING
Different attitudes

- A** Look at these expressions. Which ones express a positive attitude, or a neutral attitude? Write +, -, or ~.
- | | |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| ___ 1. aware of | ___ 5. familiar with |
| ___ 2. curious about | ___ 6. suspicious of |
| ___ 3. sick of | ___ 7. intimidated by |
| ___ 4. fed up with | ___ 8. knowledgeable about |
- B Group work** Look at the list of inventions and technologies. C What are your feelings about them? Discuss with your group.
- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. spacecraft for private flights | 5. wearable electronics |
| 2. touch-screen technology | 6. mobile apps |
| 3. speech-translation technology | 7. laser surgery |
| 4. video surveillance | 8. robots |

*"So, what do you think about spacecraft for private flights?"
"I'm a little intimidated by the idea of being in space. I'm curious about it, but I wouldn't try it."*

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VOCABULARY PLUS See page 103

5 DISCUSSION
Tech savvy?

A Are you a technophile or a technophobe? Complete the survey to find out.

TECHNOPHILE or TECHNOPHOBE?

- | | | | |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | Agree
(2 pts.) | Not Sure
(1 pt.) | Disagree
(0 pts.) |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
- If technology permits it, I would favor the development of machines that surpass humans in intelligence.
 - Governments need to generously fund research and development in technology.
 - Everyone should try to stay informed about the latest innovations in technology.
 - Genetic technologies should be used to gradually improve the human body over the course of generations.
 - Science and technology will someday solve the world's problems of famine, war, disease, and overcrowding.
 - It's important to acquire new technological devices shortly after they come out.
 - Social media has a positive effect on people's social lives.
 - Being connected to the Internet is a human right.

SCORE
0-4 You are a technophile, a person who has a strong interest in technology.
5-8 While not in love with technology, you see the need for it in our world.

B Group work Discuss your answers to the survey. Take your choices and whether or not you agree with your

6 WRITING
Compare-and-contrast essays

A compare-and-contrast essay presents the similarities and differences of two or more things. The thesis statement expresses your position on the subject, and it is followed by supporting paragraphs that discuss similarities and differences.

A Read the essay and circle the thesis statement. Then match each paragraph to the headings below. Underline the words that show

___ introduction ___ differences ___ conclusion



THE BEATLES

- Although the Beatles and the Rolling Stones have both been called the "greatest rock 'n' roll band of all time," the prize should go to the Rolling Stones. While both bands have had a huge influence on popular music, the Beatles broke up in 1970, and the Rolling Stones went on recording and performing for over 50 years.
- Both the Beatles and the Rolling Stones began as four-member British bands that first became popular in the 1960s. The two bands released their first records within a year of each other, and both featured a pair of talented songwriters: Paul McCartney and John Lennon for the Beatles, and Mick Jagger and Keith Richards for the Rolling Stones. Like the Rolling Stones, the Beatles were famous for their cutting-edge style at the time of their debut, and both bands were known for their energetic stage performances.

B Choose two bands, singers, or musical styles to compare. Make a list of similarities and differences. Then compare that expresses your view.

C Write a four-paragraph essay. Make sure it has an thesis statement, two paragraphs describing similarities, and an effective conclusion.

D Pair work Take turns reading your essays. Do you Can your partner guess your point of view?

READING
passages drawn from authentic sources promote critical thinking and analysis.

6 READING
Technology and friendship

A Pair work Discuss these questions. Then read the article to compare your ideas with the author's.

- What are some ways that interacting online might encourage people to connect in real life?
- How could social media help shy students participate more in class?

HOW SOCIAL MEDIA "FRIENDS" TRANSLATE INTO REAL-LIFE FRIENDSHIPS

When social media first gained attention, I heard many people say online connections couldn't possibly be real friends. Some even feared people might trade face-to-face interaction for a virtual life online. But now the majority of the people I know consider at least some of their online friends to be like extended family. Which made me wonder - does social media actually encourage people to connect "in real life"?

One example of online life translating into real-life interaction happens on Mashable's Social Media Day, when thousands of people attend in-person meet-ups to celebrate the power of online connections. Another example is location-based apps that help users connect face-to-face by allowing them to see who else has checked in at the same store, restaurant, or party - or even who is living in a city they plan to visit. They might then decide to seek each other out "in real life."

A Pew Internet and American Life Project report found that people using social networking sites have more close relationships and receive more support from others. They are also more likely to reconnect with old friends and use social networking to keep up with those they are already close to. Other research shows that social media may also deepen what could otherwise be passing relationships. A study by Dr. Rey Junco found that college students who interacted with each other and their professors on Twitter were more likely to meet outside class to study. They also developed



unexpected real-life connections and were also more likely to ask questions in class. "What I find most fascinating is that I've consistently seen that students who start a course being more introverted and not speaking up during class discussions become more extroverted and participate more when encouraged to communicate through social media with their professors and their classmates," Junco said. However, if social media does increase the likelihood of real-life interaction, it can also sometimes complicate it. When fans of social media meet face-to-face, their computers and mobile devices may actually make the meeting less productive. Instead of looking at each other, they may be glued to their screens!

(Source: "How Social Media 'Friends' Translate Into Real-Life Friendships," by Terri Thornton, Mediatech)

B Group work Discuss these questions. Then share your answers with the class.

- In what ways are virtual friendships similar to and different from real-life friendships?
- Would you be more or less willing to share ideas on social media than you would in class? Why?
- What other issues and complications might come up when online friends meet face-to-face?

LESSON 8 Make new friends, but keep the old ... 9

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1 STARTING POINT

The nature of friendship

- A** Read these statements about friendship. Can you explain what they mean? What other statements would you add to the list?

WHAT IS A Friend?

1. A friend is someone who brings out the best in you.
2. Good friends are always happy to help when you run into a problem.
3. A friend is someone who cheers you up when you're feeling bad.
4. True friends don't drift apart even after many years of separation.
5. A real friend will always stand up for you when others are putting you down.
6. Never be afraid to open up and ask a friend for advice. A true friend will never turn you down.
7. Make new friends, but hang on to the old ones.
8. Good friends are hard to come by, harder to leave, and impossible to do without.



"The first statement means a friend inspires you to show all your positive qualities."

- B Group work** Consider the statements in part A. What makes a good friend? Discuss with your group.

"In my opinion, a good friend is someone who makes you a better person. It's someone who brings out the best in you."

Useful expressions**Expressing opinions**

In my opinion, . . .
I have to say that . . .
The way I see it, . . .
Personally, I (don't) think . . .

2 LISTENING & SPEAKING

Friendship among women and men

- A** Listen to a professor talk about author Deborah Tannen's ideas. In Tannen's opinion, what is the main difference between friendship among men and friendship among women?
- B** Listen again. According to Tannen, which of these things do male friends often do (M) and which do female friends often do (F)? Write the correct letter.
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| ___ 1. are direct and to the point | ___ 4. prefer to share factual information |
| ___ 2. discuss daily life at length | ___ 5. value activities over talk |
| ___ 3. reveal private thoughts | ___ 6. talk as a way to better understand their lives |

- C Group work** Do you agree or disagree with Tannen's ideas about friendship? Why or why not?

"I have to say that I think some of her ideas seem to be accurate . . ."

3 GRAMMAR

Phrasal verbs

A phrasal verb is a verb plus a particle, such as *down, into, out, or up*.
The meaning of a phrasal verb is usually different from the meaning of its parts.

Separable phrasal verbs can take objects before or after the particle.

If the object is a pronoun, it always appears before the particle.

A friend is someone who **brings out** the best in you.

A friend is someone who **brings** the best **out** in you.

A friend is someone who **cheers** you **up** when you're feeling bad.

With inseparable phrasal verbs, the object cannot go between the verb and the particle.

Good friends are always happy to help when you **run into** a problem.

Three-word phrasal verbs have a particle and a preposition.

Make new friends, but **hang on to** the old ones.

Intransitive phrasal verbs don't take objects.

True friends don't **drift apart**.

GRAMMAR PLUS see page 106

- A** Look at the Starting Point on page 2 again. Can you find the phrasal verbs? Which are separable, inseparable, and/or three-word verbs? Which are also intransitive? Write them in the chart.

Separable	Inseparable	Three-word verbs	Intransitive

- B** Complete the questions with the phrasal verbs and objects in parentheses. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

- Have you ever had a friend who brought out the worst / brought the worst out (bring out / the worst) in you?
- Have you ever _____ (run into / a friend) that you hadn't seen in a long time?
- Do you usually _____ (stand up for / your friends) when other people criticize them?
- Can you _____ (do without / a cell phone) and still keep in touch with friends?
- When friends ask you for a favor, do you usually say yes, or do you _____ (turn down / them)?
- Do you _____ (hang on to / your old friends) or do you drift apart as time goes by?
- Some people like to _____ (put down / their friends) by insulting them. How would you feel if a friend did that to you?



- C Pair work** Discuss the questions in part B.

"Have you ever had a friend who brought out the worst in you?"

"Yeah, I once had a really messy roommate. She made me so angry."

4 VOCABULARY

Describing friendship

A Pair work Complete the chart with the correct parts of speech.

	Verb	Adjective		Verb	Adjective
1.	admire		4.	empathize	
2.		beneficial	5.	endure	
3.	clash		6.		harmonious

B Choose the word from the chart in part A that best replaces the boldfaced words. Compare answers with a partner.

harmonious

- Ryan and Tina work to keep their friendship **free of conflict**.
- Sometimes their opinions **are very different**, but they still get along.
- They work to make their friendship **valuable and constructive**.
- Having the same background helps them **understand and identify** with each other.
- Ryan and Tina **think very highly of** each other's accomplishments.
- Their friendship will certainly **last a long time**.

VOCABULARY PLUS see page 130

5 DISCUSSION

What should friends have in common?

A Look at the statements about friendship below. Do you agree with the statements? Add a statement of your own.

▶▶ PEOPLE ...	Agree	Disagree
1. who are close in age empathize with each other better.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. with similar social backgrounds have more harmonious friendships.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. who have similar values and beliefs have stronger connections.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. with similar personalities have the most enduring friendships.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. benefit from having friends with the same educational background.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. should only mingle with friends who have the same interests.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. from different cultures often clash with each other.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

B Group work Share your opinions and explain your reasons.

"The way I see it, people who are close in age can empathize better with each other. They share many of the same experiences and understand each other."

"I see your point, but I don't think age is that important. If people like doing similar things, they can be good friends."

C Group work How many people agreed or disagreed with each statement? Report your findings to the class.

"Three of us agreed that friends who are close in age empathize with each other better . . ."

Useful expressions

Disagreeing politely

I see your point, but . . .
I see what you mean, but . . .
I'm not sure I agree.
Do you think so?

6 WRITING

Developing a thesis statement

The first paragraph of a composition contains a thesis statement, which presents the main idea. The remaining paragraphs each have a single focus expressed in a topic sentence that develops the thesis statement.

- A** Read the composition. Underline the thesis statement in the first paragraph.
- B** Match each of the other paragraphs with the phrase below that best summarizes its focus.

_____ why we have a close friendship

_____ what we have in common

_____ how we are different

- 1** My best friend, Eva, and I are different in many ways, but we have one important thing in common – we love to travel. Whenever I have the urge to explore a new place, I can always count on Eva to go with me. Our friendship shows that people who are very different can still have similar interests.
- 2** The differences between Eva and me are significant. Eva is an artist who loves to take photographs and draw pictures of the interesting things she sees. I am a marketing representative for a pharmaceutical company and spend a lot of my time estimating sales figures. Eva is a very impulsive person, and I'm very organized. She's very quiet, but I'm a very talkative person who enjoys telling stories.
- 3** Eva and I are both adventurous and love traveling. We discovered this shortly after we met several years ago. One day we were talking about vacations, and we found we had both visited many of the same places. We immediately made a plan to go to a nearby historical city the following weekend.
- 4** Although we are quite different in many ways, Eva and I have become close over the years, and we now have a very special and enduring friendship. Every time we get together, we always have so much to talk about and have the best time. One reason for this is that we share a love of travel and adventure. The other reason is that our differences complement each other, so we always get along well whenever we travel together.



- C** Write a composition about a close friend. Then exchange your composition with a partner, and answer these questions.
1. What is the thesis statement? Underline it.
 2. Does each paragraph have a single focus? Write the focus for each in the margin of the text.
 3. What else would you like to know about your partner's friend? Ask at least two questions.

LESSON B ▶ *Make new friends, but keep the old . . .*

1 STARTING POINT **Meeting new people**

A Read about how Yuan Lin, Brandon, and Jacob met new people. Which way of meeting people do you think is best?

Yuan Lin

"I decided to move to England last year. I felt really lonely at first. In fact, I regretted moving here. But I never gave up trying new things. Then, I saw an ad for a Chinese-English language exchange. It was a great way to meet cool people!"



Brandon

"I'd been planning to take a class, but was putting off enrolling. Well, last month I started taking a cooking class. I never expected to meet so many nice people! Some of us get together at each other's homes and practice what we learn. We've become really good friends!"

Jacob

"I didn't know many people at my new job, but I kept being invited by my co-workers to a lunchtime yoga class. I'm so glad I finally said yes! A couple of my colleagues play soccer, too, and they're considering starting a company team!"



"A language exchange is a great idea. You can meet people who are interested in languages and culture, so everyone already has something in common."

B Group work What other ways of meeting new people can you suggest to someone in these situations? Add another situation to the list.

Someone who . . .

- moved to a new neighborhood
- started a new job
- is over 65 years old
- has little free time
- is very shy
- _____

2 LISTENING **A chance meeting**

A Pair work When was the last time you unexpectedly ran into someone you know? Tell your partner about your experience.

B Listen to Dena talk about how she met her friend Kate. Where were they when they first met? Where did they meet again?

C Listen again. Then answer the following questions.

1. Why were Dena and Kate going to Los Angeles?
2. What did Dena regret after she said good-bye to Kate?
3. How much time passed between their first and second meetings?
4. How did Samantha, the guest at the party, know Kate?

3 GRAMMAR

Gerund and infinitive constructions

These verbs are normally followed by a gerund: *appreciate, consider, enjoy, give up, keep, put off, suggest*.

They're **considering starting** a company team!

These verbs are normally followed by an infinitive: *ask, decide, expect, intend, need, refuse, seem, tend*.

I never **expected to meet** so many nice people!

These verbs are followed by either a gerund or an infinitive: *begin, bother, continue, hate, prefer, start*.

Last month I **started taking / to take** a cooking class.

Infinitives and gerunds can also occur in the passive voice. They follow the pattern **subject + verb + being / to be + past participle**.

I **kept being invited** by my co-workers to a lunchtime yoga class.

She **asked to be chosen** for the job.

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- A** Look at the Starting Point on page 6 again. Can you find another verb followed by a gerund and another verb followed by an infinitive?
- B** Choose the correct form of the verbs. Sometimes both answers are possible.

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I've never been a really popular guy. I'm the type of person who tends **1** *to have / having* one or two good friends rather than lots of acquaintances. Well, when I moved away from my hometown after getting a job in Denver, I really needed **2** *to make / making* some new friends. Because I'm shy, I considered **3** *to change / changing* my personality to become more outgoing. But that was very difficult for me. Just the same, I didn't give up **4** *to try / trying*. I decided **5** *to create / creating* a new image for myself. I bought myself some new shoes, new clothes, and I even got a new haircut and started **6** *to wear / wearing* contact lenses. However, it didn't seem **7** *to change / changing* anything. I was beginning to regret **8** *to leave / leaving* my hometown when, all of a sudden, I got a call from my old friend Jim. He was planning **9** *to move / moving* here pretty soon. He wanted some advice about finding an apartment in the city, and I suggested **10** *to share / sharing* an apartment with me. Well, he agreed! I really enjoy **11** *to have / having* someone to spend time with, and together we've made a lot of new friends.

Posted by DenverDan  **2 COMMENTS**

- C Pair work** Complete these sentences with your own information, and add details. Then compare with a partner.

1. I don't like it when friends refuse . . .
to do small favors for me, like lending me a book. It's so rude.
2. It can be annoying when friends expect . . .
3. I couldn't say no if a friend suggested . . .
4. When I'm with my good friends, I don't bother . . .

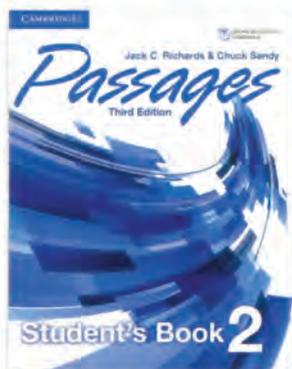
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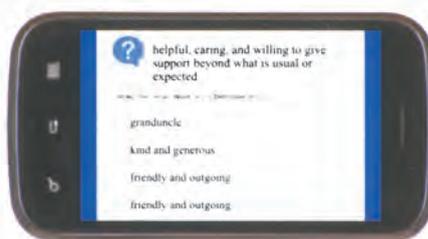
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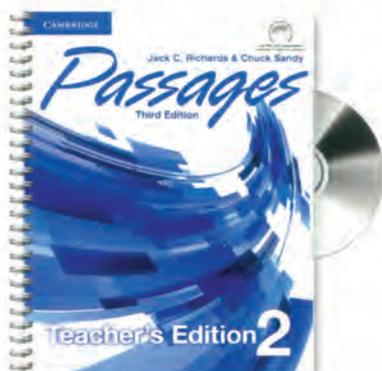
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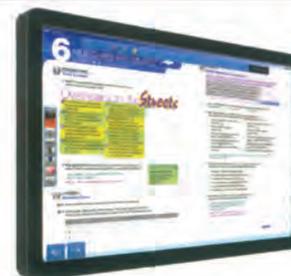
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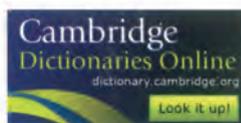
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