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Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER like		
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Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER off		
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Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER just		
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4D	Write and reply to invitations			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER look		
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Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER job and work		
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6D	Write an email giving advice			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER verb + to		

Listening and Video	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Three conversations at a party	Article: <i>Small Talk</i>	Getting to know each other	Personal questions
Four monologues about technology and communication	Article: <i>The Fast and the Furious</i>	Ways of communicating	Sentences about communicating
Meeting an old friend		Meeting people and ending conversations; Showing interest	Unit Progress Test
Conversation: keeping in touch	Three personal emails	Keeping in touch	Personal email Correcting mistakes
Audio diary: <i>Yes Man changed my life</i>	Diary article: <i>Yes Man changed my life</i>	Types of holiday; A holiday you enjoyed	
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Conversation: travelling to Indonesia	Travel blog	Writing blogs and diaries	Travel blog Linking words
Radio biography: Philip Wollen	Web forum: <i>Generosity Day</i>	Experiences of generosity	
Three monologues: spending habits	Quiz: <i>What kind of spender are you?</i>	Spending and saving money	Sentences about spending
Shopping for a present		Talking to people in shops; Changing your mind	Unit Progress Test
Four monologues: raising money for charity	Email: update on raising money for charity	Charities	Update email Paragraphing
Interview: May Ball; Audio blog: Indian wedding	Article: <i>Life in numbers</i>	Future plans; Preparations for special occasions	
Conversation: Mike and Harry in Tokyo		Tokyo highlights; Planning a day out in a city	Notes on a city you know well
Arranging to meet; birthday dinner		Making arrangements; Making time to think	Unit Progress Test
Three monologues: socialising	Two emails: invitations		Invitations and replies
Three monologues: work	Infographic: <i>The happiest jobs</i>	What makes people happy at work; Job qualities and requirements	Workplace rules
Three interviews: future careers	Article: <i>Planning a safe future career</i>	Your future career; The future world of work	Predictions: finding a job / world of work
Leaving work early		Offers and suggestions; Reassurance	Unit Progress Test
Conversation: a summer job	Email: Job application	Summer jobs	Job application Organising an email
	Article: <i>How to deal with life's little problems</i>	Common problems and possible solutions; Advice for people who are always late	Advice on a common problem
Two interviews: <i>Sharks saved my life</i> (Part 2) / Skydiving accident	Article: <i>Sharks saved my life</i> (Part 1)	Emotional experiences; Stories about dramatic events	Notes about a dramatic event
Advising a friend		Asking for and giving advice; Showing sympathy	Unit Progress Test
Three monologues: problems	Wiki: Advice for learners of English	Advice	Message giving advice; Linking; ordering ideas and giving examples

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Unit 7 Changes				
Getting started Talk about different generations				
7A	Talk about life-changing events	Comparatives and superlatives	Life events with <i>get</i>	
7B	Describe changes in lifestyle	<i>used to / didn't use to</i>	Health and fitness collocations	Sound and spelling: <i>used to / didn't use to</i>
7C	Talk to the doctor		Health problems and treatments	Tones for asking questions Describing symptoms; Doctors' questions
7D	Write a blog about an achievement			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER <i>change</i>		
Unit 8 Culture				
Getting started Talk about a painting				
8A	Talk about art, music and literature	The passive: present and past simple	Art and music; Common verbs in the passive	
8B	Talk about sports and activities	Present perfect with <i>for</i> and <i>since</i>	Sports and activities	Word stress
8C	Apologise, make and accept excuses		Tones for continuing or finishing	Apologies and excuses
8D	Write a book review			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER <i>by</i>		
Unit 9 Achievements				
Getting started Talk about an unusual student				
9A	Talk about future possibilities	First conditional	Degree subjects; Education collocations	Word groups
9B	Describe actions and feelings	Verb patterns	Verbs followed by <i>to</i> + infinitive / verb + <i>-ing</i>	
9C	Make telephone calls		Main stress: contrastive	Telephoning people you don't know; Telephoning people you know
9D	Write a personal profile			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER Multi-word verbs with <i>put</i>		
Unit 10 Values				
Getting started Talk about seeing a crime				
10A	Talk about moral dilemmas	Second conditional	Multi-word verbs	Sentence stress: vowel sounds
10B	Describe problems with goods and services	Quantifiers; <i>too / not enough</i>	Noun formation	Word stress Sound and spelling: verbs and nouns
10C	Return goods and make complaints		Sentence stress	Returning goods and making complaints
10D	Write an apology email			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER Multi-word verbs with <i>on</i>		
Unit 11 Discovery and Invention				
Getting started Talk about robots				
11A	Explain what technology does	Defining relative clauses	Compound nouns	Word stress: compound nouns
11B	Describe discoveries	Articles	Adverbials: luck and chance	
11C	Ask for and give directions		Sound and spelling: /ɔ:/ and /ɜ:/	Asking for and giving directions in a building
11D	Write a post expressing an opinion			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER preposition + noun		
Unit 12 Characters				
Getting started Talk about taking care of an animal				
12A	Tell a story	Past perfect	Animals	Sound and spelling: /ɪ/, /ɜ:/ and /əʊ/
12B	Talk about family relationships	Reported speech	Personality adjectives	Sentence stress: <i>that</i> Word stress
12C	Agree and disagree in discussions		Main stress: contrastive	Agreeing and disagreeing
12D	Write a short story			
Review and extension More practice		WORDPOWER <i>age</i>		
Communication Plus p.127		Grammar Focus p.142		Vocabulary Focus p.133

Listening and Video	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Two radio monologues: <i>One minute inspiration, Rivaldo; Sylvester Stallone</i>	Quotes: life changes Article: <i>1950s and today</i>	Comparing yourself in the past and now; Life-changing events Changes in lifestyle and health	Vocabulary definitions Sentences about changes in health
At the doctor's		Talking to the doctor: describing symptoms; responding to questions	Unit Progress Test
Three monologues: making a change	Blog: <i>Living to change</i>	Making positive changes	Blog: changes / achievements Linking: ordering events
	Article: <i>Six of the best, biggest and most popular</i>	Art, music and media	Sentences about art and music
Radio show: <i>I can't believe it!</i>		Record breakers; Sports and activities	Sentences about yourself; Notes about sports and activities
Accepting an apology		Apologising; making and accepting excuses	Unit Progress Test
Three monologues: book reviews	Four book reviews	Books and reading	Book review Positive and negative comments; Linking: <i>although, however</i>
	Article: <i>Unusual degrees</i>	Degree subjects; Future possibilities	Real possibilities; Future plans
Radio interview: shyness	Article: <i>The not-so-easy lives of celebrities</i>	Shyness; Celebrity problems; Actions and feelings	
Telephoning		Telephoning; Dealing with problems on the phone	Unit Progress Test
Conversation: Online courses	Two student profiles	Advantages and disadvantages of online learning	Personal profile Avoiding repetition
	Article: <i>The biggest complainers in Europe</i>	Dishonest behaviour; Honesty quiz When would you complain?	Unreal situations
Radio news: illegal downloading			
Radio news: <i>Complaints around the world</i>			
Returning goods to a shop		Returning goods and making complaints; Sounding polite	Unit Progress Test
Three monologues: rudeness	Three emails: apologies	Rude behaviour	Apology emails Formal and informal language
	Article: <i>Science fiction: They thought of it first!</i> Article: <i>Lucky discoveries</i>	Definitions; Describing inventions Discoveries and inventions	Unexpected events
Radio report: inventions			
Lost in a building		Asking for and giving directions in a building; Checking information	Unit Progress Test
Radio phone in: inventions of the future	Four opinion web posts: important inventions	Useful inventions / important inventions	A web post Giving opinions; Expressing results and reasons
	Article: <i>Jambo's story</i>	Experiences with animals; Animal life-savers	Animals causing problems
Radio news: <i>Willie the Parrot</i>			
Three monologues: sibling rivalry	Article: <i>Brothers and Sisters – The Facts</i>	Memorable things people say; Family personalities; Sibling relationships	Things people have said to you
Discussion at the gym		Agreeing and disagreeing in discussions	Unit Progress Test
Monologue: story	Story: unexplained events	Fact or fiction?	Narrative Linkers: past time

