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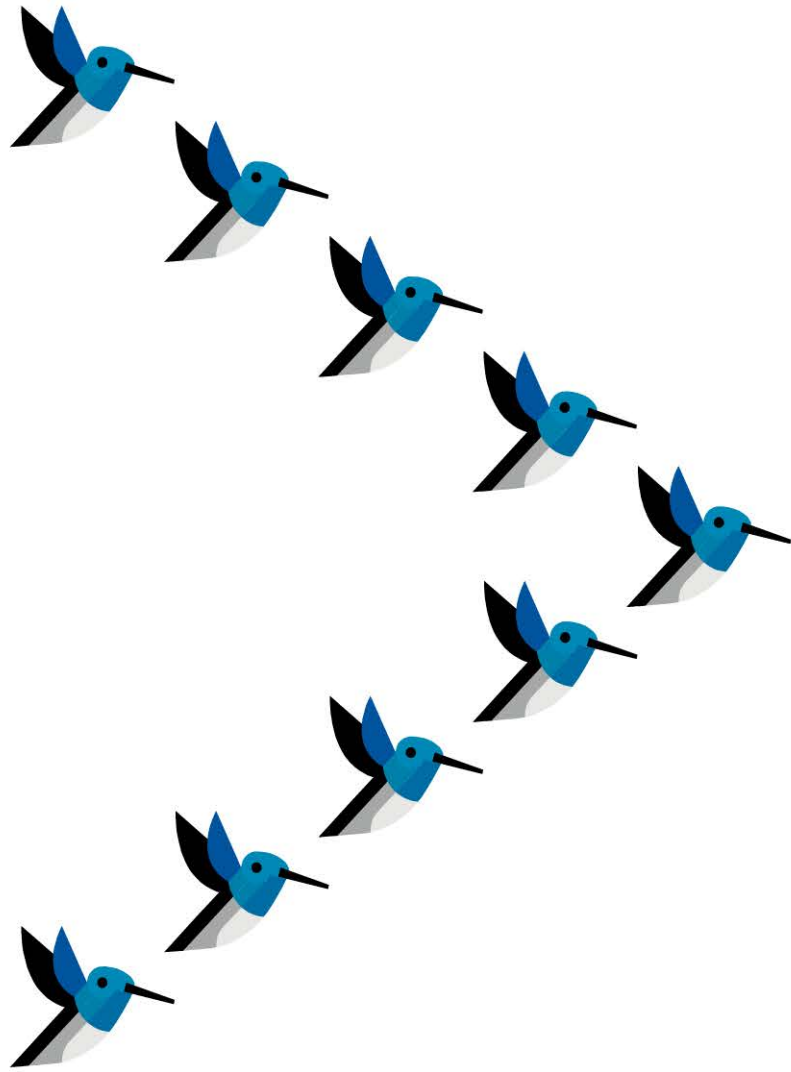
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With *Top Notch Pop Songs and Karaoke*
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Top Notch Fundamentals is designed for true beginning students or for students needing the support of a very low-level beginning course. No prior knowledge of English is assumed or necessary.

	COMMUNICATION GOALS	VOCABULARY	GRAMMAR
UNIT 1 Names and Occupations PAGE 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tell a classmate your occupation Identify your classmates Spell names 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occupations The alphabet <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More occupations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verb <i>be</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singular and plural statements, contractions <i>Yes / no</i> questions and short answers Common errors Subject pronouns Articles <i>a / an</i> Nouns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singular and plural / Common and proper <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 2 About People PAGE 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduce people Tell someone your first and last name Get someone's contact information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationships (non-family) Titles First and last names Numbers 0–20 <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More relationships / More titles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possessive nouns and adjectives <i>Be from /</i> Questions with <i>Where</i>, common errors Verb <i>be</i>: information questions with <i>What</i> <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 3 Places and How to Get There PAGE 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about locations Discuss how to get places Discuss transportation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Places in the neighborhood Locations Ways to get places Means of transportation Destinations <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More places 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verb <i>be</i>: questions with <i>Where</i> Subject pronoun <i>it</i> The imperative <i>By</i> to express means of transportation <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 4 Family PAGE 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify people in your family Describe your relatives Talk about your family 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family relationships Adjectives to describe people Numbers 21–101 <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More adjectives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verb <i>be</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questions with <i>Who</i> and common errors With adjectives Questions with <i>How old</i> Adverbs <i>very</i> and <i>so</i> Verb <i>have / has</i>: affirmative statements <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 5 Events and Times PAGE 36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm that you're on time Talk about the time of an event Ask about birthdays 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What time is it? <i>Early, on time, late</i> Events Days of the week Ordinal numbers Months of the year <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verb <i>be</i>: questions about time Prepositions <i>in, on, and at</i> for dates and times Contractions and common errors <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 6 Clothes PAGE 44	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Give and accept a compliment Ask for colors and sizes Describe clothes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clothes Colors and sizes Opposite adjectives to describe clothes <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More clothes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstratives <i>this, that, these, those</i> The simple present tense: <i>like, want, need, and have</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Affirmative and negative statements Questions and short answers Spelling rules and contractions Adjective placement and common errors One and ones <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 7 Activities PAGE 52 Units 1–7 Review PAGE 60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about morning and evening activities Describe what you do in your free time Discuss household chores 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily activities at home Leisure activities Household chores <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More household chores 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The simple present tense: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third-person singular spelling rules Questions with <i>When</i> and <i>What time</i> Questions with <i>How often</i>, time expressions Questions with <i>Who</i> as subject, common errors Frequency adverbs and time expressions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Usage, placement, and common errors <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>

CONVERSATION STRATEGIES	LISTENING / PRONUNCIATION	READING / WRITING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use <u>And you?</u> to show interest in another person Use <u>Excuse me</u> to initiate a conversation Use <u>Excuse me?</u> to indicate you haven't heard or didn't understand Use <u>Thanks!</u> to acknowledge someone's complying with a request 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circle the letter you hear Identify correct spelling of names Write the name you hear spelled Identify the correct occupation Write the missing information: names and occupations <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Syllables 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simple forms and business cards <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write affirmative and negative statements about people in a picture <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify someone's relationship to you when making an introduction Use <u>too</u> to reciprocate a greeting Begin a question with <u>And</u> to indicate you want additional information Repeat part of a question to clarify Repeat information to confirm 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete statements about relationships Circle the correct information Fill in names, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses you hear <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stress in two-word pairs 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short descriptions of famous people, their occupations, and countries of origin <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write sentences about your relationships <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use <u>You're welcome</u> to formally acknowledge thanks Use <u>OK</u> to acknowledge advice Use <u>What about you?</u> to show interest in another person 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write the places you hear Write the directions you hear, using affirmative and negative imperatives Circle the means of transportation Write by phrases, check destinations you hear <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falling intonation for questions with <u>Where</u> 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simple maps and diagrams Introductions of people, their relationships and occupations, where they live, and how they get to work <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write questions and answers about the places in a complex picture <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use <u>And</u> to shift the topic Use <u>Tell me about</u> to invite someone to talk about a topic Use <u>Well</u>, to indicate you are deciding how to begin a response Use <u>And how about?</u> to ask for more information Use <u>Really?</u> to show interest or mild surprise 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the picture of a relative being described Choose the adjective that describes the people mentioned in a conversation <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number contrasts 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A family tree A magazine article about famous actors and their families <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a description of the people in your family <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use <u>Uh-oh</u> to indicate you may have made a mistake Use <u>Look</u> to focus someone's attention on something Use <u>Great!</u> to show enthusiasm for an idea Offer someone best wishes on his or her birthday Respond to a person's birthday wishes 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify events and circle the correct times Write the events you hear in a date book Circle the dates you hear <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sentence rhythm 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A world map with time zones Events posters Newspaper announcements A zodiac calendar <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write about events at your school or in your city <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledge a compliment with <u>Thank you</u> Apologize with <u>I'm sorry</u> when expressing disappointing information Use <u>That's too bad</u> to express disappointment Use <u>What about you?</u> to ask for someone's opinion Use <u>Well</u> to soften a strong opinion 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm details about clothes Determine colors of garments <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plural nouns 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A sales flyer from a department store <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write sentences about the clothes you have, need, want, and like <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Say <u>Me?</u> to give yourself time to think of a personal response Use <u>Well</u> to introduce a lengthy response Use <u>What about you?</u> to ask for parallel information Use <u>So</u> to introduce a conversation topic Use <u>How about you?</u> to ask for parallel information Say <u>Sure</u> to indicate a willingness to answer Begin a response to an unexpected question with <u>Oh</u> 	<p>Listening Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Match chores to the people who performed them <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third-person singular verb endings 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A review of housekeeping robots <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe your typical week, using adverbs of frequency and time expressions <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>

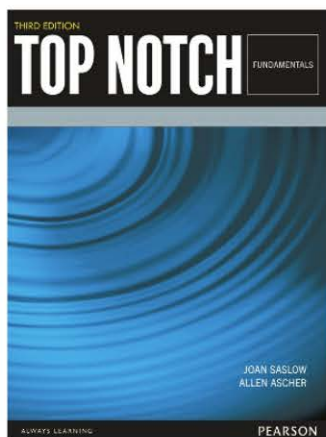
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UNIT 8 Home and Neighborhood PAGE 64	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe your neighborhood Ask about someone's home Talk about furniture and appliances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buildings Places in the neighborhood Rooms Furniture and appliances <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More home and office vocabulary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The simple present tense: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questions with <u>Where</u>, prepositions of place <u>There is</u> and <u>there are</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statements and <u>yes / no</u> questions Contractions and common errors Questions with <u>How many</u> <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 9 Activities and Plans PAGE 72	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe today's weather Discuss plans Ask about people's activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weather expressions Present and future time expressions <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More weather vocabulary / seasons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The present continuous: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statements: form and usage <u>Yes / no</u> questions Information questions For future plans The present participle: spelling rules <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 10 Food PAGE 80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss ingredients for a recipe Offer and ask for foods Invite someone to join you at the table 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foods and drinks Places to keep food in a kitchen Containers and quantities Cooking verbs <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More vegetables and fruits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>How much / Are there any</u> Count nouns and non-count nouns <u>How much / Is there any</u> <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 11 Past Events PAGE 88	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tell someone about an event Describe your past activities Talk about your weekend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Past-time expressions Outdoor activities <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More outdoor activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The past tense of <u>be</u>; <u>There was / there were</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statements, questions, and contractions The simple past tense <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular verbs, irregular verbs Statements, questions, and short answers <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 12 Appearance and Health PAGE 96	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe appearance Show concern about an injury Suggest a remedy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjectives to describe hair The face Parts of the body Accidents and injuries Ailments, remedies <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More parts of the body 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describing people with <u>be</u> and <u>have</u> <u>Should</u> + base form for suggestions <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 13 Abilities and Requests PAGE 104	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss your abilities Politely decline an invitation Ask for and agree to do a favor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abilities Adverbs <u>well</u> and <u>badly</u> Reasons for not doing something Favors <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More musical instruments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Can</u> and <u>can't</u> for ability <u>Too</u> + adjective, common errors Polite requests with <u>Could you</u> + base form <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>
UNIT 14 Life Events and Plans PAGE 112 Units 8–14 Review PAGE 120	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Get to know someone's life story Discuss plans Share your dreams for the future 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some life events Academic subjects More leisure activities Some dreams for the future <p>VOCABULARY BOOSTER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More academic subjects More leisure activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Be going to</u> + base form <p>GRAMMAR BOOSTER Extra practice</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin a question with And to indicate you want additional information Use Really? to introduce contradictory information Use Well to indicate you are deciding how to begin a response Respond positively to a description with Sounds nice! Use Actually to introduce an opinion that might surprise Say I don't know. I'm not sure to avoid making a direct negative statement 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine the best house or apartment for clients of a real estate company Complete statements about locations of furniture and appliances <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linking sounds 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> House and apartment rental listings Descriptions of people and their homes <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compare and contrast your home with other homes <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use Hi and Hey to greet people informally Say No kidding! to show surprise Use So to introduce a conversation topic Answer the phone with Hello? Identify yourself with This is on the phone Use Well, actually to begin an excuse Say Oh, I'm sorry after interrupting Say Talk to you later to indicate the end of a phone conversation 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine weather and temperatures in cities in a weather report Complete statements about people's activities, using the present continuous <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rising and falling intonation of yes / no and information questions 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A daily planner The weather forecast for four cities <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write about plans for the week, using the present continuous <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Say I'll check to indicate you'll get information for someone Decline an offer politely with No, thanks Use Please pass the to ask for something at the table Say Here you go as you offer something Say Nice to see you to greet someone you already know Use You too to repeat a greeting politely 	<p>Listening Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the foods discussed in conversations <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vowel sounds: /i/, /ɪ/, /eɪ/, /ɛ/, /æ/ 	<p>Reading Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recipe cards A weekly schedule <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write about what you eat in a typical day <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask Why? to ask for a clearer explanation Use What about? to ask for more information Use a double question to clarify Use just to minimize the importance of an action Say Let me think to gain time to answer Say Oh yeah to indicate you just remembered something 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circle the year you hear Infer the correct day or month Choose activities mentioned in conversations <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simple past tense regular verb endings 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A blog in which people describe what they did the previous weekend <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write about the activities of two people, based on a complex picture Write about your weekend and what you did <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use Oh to indicate you've understood Say No kidding to show surprise Say I'm sorry to hear that, Oh, no, and That's too bad to express sympathy Use Actually to introduce an opinion that might surprise Use What's wrong? to ask about an illness Use really to intensify advice with should Respond to good advice with Good idea Say I hope you feel better when someone feels sick 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the people described in conversations Complete statements about injuries Identify the ailments and remedies suggested in conversations <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More vowel sounds 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A magazine article about two celebrities <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a description of someone you know <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use Actually to give information Use Really? to show surprise or interest Suggest a shared course of action with Let's Politely decline a suggestion with I'm really sorry but and a reason Accept a refusal with Maybe some other time Use Sure and No problem to agree to someone's request for a favor 	<p>Listening Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete requests for favors <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blending of sounds: Could you 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An article about infant-toddler development <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe things people can and can't do when they get old <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use And you? to show interest in another person Use Not really to soften a negative response Ask What about you? to extend the conversation Use Well and Actually to explain or clarify 	<p>Listening Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose correct statements Circle correct words or phrases Complete statements about activities, using the present continuous Infer people's wishes for the future <p>Pronunciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diphthongs 	<p>Reading Text</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A short biography of Harry Houdini <p>Writing Task</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write your own illustrated life story, including plans and dreams for the future <p>WRITING BOOSTER Guided writing practice</p>

TO THE TEACHER

What is *Top Notch*? *Top Notch* is a six-level* communicative course that prepares adults and young adults to interact successfully and confidently with both native and non-native speakers of English.



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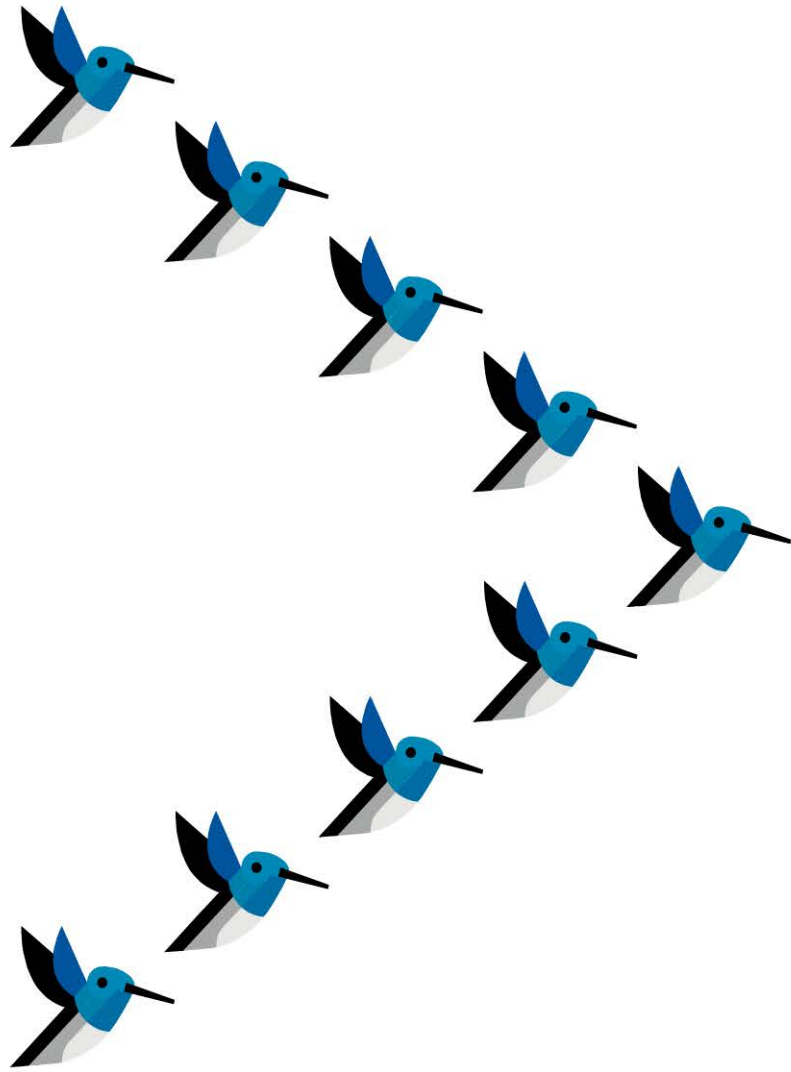
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COMMUNICATION GOALS

- 1 Confirm that you're on time.
- 2 Talk about the time of an event.
- 3 Ask about birthdays.

UNIT 5 Events and Times

LESSON 1 GOAL Confirm that you're on time

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- 1 ▶ 2:17 **VOCABULARY** • *What time is it?* Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.



1 It's one o'clock.



2 It's one fifteen. OR It's a quarter after one.



3 It's one twenty. OR It's twenty after one.



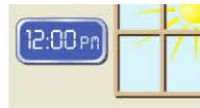
4 It's one thirty. OR It's half past one.



5 It's one forty. OR It's twenty to two.



6 It's one forty-five. OR It's a quarter to two.



7 It's noon.



8 It's midnight.

0:00 to 11:59 = A.M.
12:00 to 23:59 = P.M.

Say "eight A.M." or "eight P.M."



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- 2 ▶ 2:18 **PRONUNCIATION** • *Sentence rhythm* Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

1 It's **TEN** after **FIVE**. 2 It's **TWENTY** to **ONE**. 3 It's a **QUARTER** to **TWO**.

- 3 **PRONUNCIATION PRACTICE** Read the times in the Vocabulary aloud again. Pay attention to sentence rhythm.

- 4 **PAIR WORK** Look at the map. Ask your partner about times around the world. Say each time two ways.

“ What time is it in Vancouver? ”

“ It's nine forty A.M. It's twenty to ten. ”



5 ▶ 2:19 **VOCABULARY** • *Early, on time, and late* Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.



1 She's early.



2 They're on time.



3 He's late.

NOW YOU CAN Confirm that you're on time

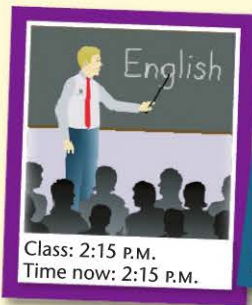
1 ▶ 2:20 **CONVERSATION MODEL** Read and listen.

- A: What time is the meeting?
- B: 10:00.
- A: Uh-oh. Am I late?
- B: No, you're not. It's five to ten.
- A: Five to ten?
- B: That's right. You're early.

2 ▶ 2:21 **RHYTHM AND INTONATION** Listen again and repeat. Then practice the Conversation Model with a partner.

3 **CONVERSATION ACTIVATOR** With a partner, change the conversation. Use the pictures and the times. Then change roles.

- A: What time is the . . . ?
- B:
- A: Uh-oh. Am I late?
- B: It's
- A: ?
- B: That's right. You're



4 **CHANGE PARTNERS** Change the conversation again.



LESSON 2

GOAL Talk about the time of an event

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1 ▶ 2:22 **VOCABULARY** • **Events** Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.



1 a party



2 a dance



3 a game



4 a dinner



5 a movie



6 a concert

2 ▶ 2:23 **LISTENING COMPREHENSION** Listen to the conversations about events. Write the event and circle the time.

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|---------|---------------|---------|---------------------------|
| 1 | (7:15 / 7:45) | 4 | (12:00 A.M. / 12:00 P.M.) |
| 2 | (8:00 / 9:00) | 5 | (9:15 / 9:50) |
| 3 | (3:30 / 3:15) | 6 | (12:00 A.M. / 12:00 P.M.) |

3 ▶ 2:24 **VOCABULARY** • **Days of the week** Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

WEEKDAYS					THE WEEKEND	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

4 **GRAMMAR** • **Be: questions about time / Prepositions at and on**

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| What time is it? | (It's) five twenty. |
| What time's the party? | (It's) at nine thirty. |
| What day is the concert? | (It's) on Saturday. |
| When's the dance? | (It's) at ten o'clock. |
| | (It's) on Friday at 10:00 P.M. |

Contractions

- | | | |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| What time is | → | What time's |
| What day is | → | What day's |
| When is | → | When's |


Be careful!

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| What time is it? | NOT | What time's it? |
| When is it? | NOT | When's it? |

5 GRAMMAR PRACTICE Complete the questions and answers. Use contractions when possible.

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|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 A: When the party?
B: It's 11:00 P.M. | 3 A: What the concert?
B: It's 8:30. | 5 A: the dance?
B: It's Friday at 9:00. |
| 2 A: day's the game?
B: It's Saturday. | 4 A: What the dinner?
B: It's Tuesday. | 6 A: What the class?
B: It's noon. |

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6  **2:25 LISTENING COMPREHENSION** Listen to the conversation. Write the events on the calendar.

Monday	5:30	Thursday	5:30	Sunday	5:30
	6:30		6:30		6:30
	7:00		7:00 <i>meeting</i>		7:00
	7:15		7:15		7:15
Tuesday	5:30	Friday	5:30		5:30
	6:30		6:30		6:30
	7:00		7:00		7:00
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Wednesday	5:30	Saturday	5:30	5:30	
	6:30		6:30	6:30	
	7:00		7:00	7:00	
	7:15		7:15	7:15	

NOW YOU CAN Talk about the time of an event

1  **2:26 CONVERSATION MODEL** Read and listen.

- A: Look. There's a dance on Wednesday.
B: Great! What time?
A: 10:30. At Pat's Restaurant.
B: Really? Let's meet at 10:15.

2  **2:27 RHYTHM AND INTONATION** Listen again and repeat. Then practice the Conversation Model with a partner.

3 CONVERSATION ACTIVATOR With a partner, change the conversation. Ask about an event. Use these events or your own events. Then change roles.

- A: Look. There's a on
B: Great! What time?
A: At
B: Really? Let's meet at



4 CHANGE PARTNERS Talk about different events.

DIGITAL FLASH CARDS

1 ▶ 2:28 **VOCABULARY** • *Ordinal numbers* Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

1st first	2nd second	3rd third	4th fourth	5th fifth
6th sixth	7th seventh	8th eighth	9th ninth	10th tenth
11th eleventh	12th twelfth	13th thirteenth	14th fourteenth	15th fifteenth
16th sixteenth	17th seventeenth	18th eighteenth	19th nineteenth	20th twentieth
21st twenty-first	22nd twenty-second	30th thirtieth	40th fortieth	50th fiftieth

2 **PAIR WORK** Say a number. Your partner says the ordinal number.

“ three ”

“ third ”

3 ▶ 2:29 **VOCABULARY** • *Months of the year* Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

January	February	March	April	May	June
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4 ▶ 2:30 **LISTENING COMPREHENSION** Listen to the dates. Circle the dates on the calendar.

5 **PAIR WORK** Say a date from the calendar. Your partner writes the date.

“ July thirty-first ”

July 31st

6 **GRAMMAR** • Prepositions in, on, and at for dates and times: summary

When's the party?	It's in January.
When's the dance?	It's on January 15 th .
When's the dinner?	It's on the 12 th .
What day's the meeting?	It's on Tuesday.
What time's the movie?	It's at noon.
What time's the dance?	It's at 8:30.

Be careful!
in the morning
in the afternoon
in the evening
BUT at night



The concert's **on** August 12th.

7 **GRAMMAR PRACTICE** Complete the sentences. Use in, on, or at.

- The concert is July 14th 3:00 the afternoon.
- The dinner is December the 6th.
- The party is midnight Saturday.
- The movie is November 1st 8:30 P.M.
- The game is Wednesday noon.
- The meeting is at the State Bank 11:00 the morning July 18th.

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NOW YOU CAN Ask about birthdays

1 ▶2:31 **CONVERSATION MODEL** Read and listen.

A: When's your birthday?
 B: On July 15th. When's your birthday?
 A: My birthday's in November. On the 13th.

2 ▶2:32 **RHYTHM AND INTONATION** Listen again and repeat. Then practice the Conversation Model with a partner.

3 **CONVERSATION ACTIVATOR** With a partner, personalize the conversation.

A: When's your birthday?
 B: When's your birthday?
 A: My birthday's

DON'T STOP!

Ask your partner questions about other people's birthdays. Complete the chart.

- brother's birthday:
- sister's birthday:
- mother's birthday:
- father's birthday:
- grandmother's birthday:
- grandfather's birthday:

▶2:33 On someone's birthday say:

“ Happy birthday! ”

“ Thank you! ”

4 **CHANGE PARTNERS** Ask about other people's birthdays.



EXTENSION

1 2:34 **READING** Read the announcements. What are the events this week?

The Daily Express Events for the week of June 20th



PARTY

June 21st is Sally Neufield's birthday!

90 years old, and so young!

When: Tuesday, June 21st, 7:00 P.M.

Where: Chuck's Café, around the corner from the bank. Don't be late!

MOVIE

English actor Peter Sellers in *The Party*

An oldie but goodie!

Friday, June 24th at 8:30 P.M.

At the New School
58 Post Street



DANCE

Both young and old are welcome!

Where: Casey's Restaurant, on Main Street, next to the Mrs. Books Bookstore

When: Saturday, June 25th at 8:30 P.M.

MEETING

Bank Managers Association

Thursday, June 23rd, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

At Family Bank
58 New Street

Between Kim's Newsstand and Carson's Bookstore



GAME

Volleyball!

Sunday, June 26th
2:00 P.M.

Branfield School
on Fitch Avenue,
between 1st Street and 2nd Street

2 **READING COMPREHENSION** Correct all the mistakes. Use information from the Reading.

- The dance is at half past ^{eight} ~~five~~.
- The movie is at 8:30 A.M.
- The meeting is at 2:00 P.M.
- The birthday party is at midnight.
- The birthday party is on the 22nd.
- The dance is at the bookstore.
- The meeting is at the New School.
- The party is at Casey's restaurant.
- Branfield School is between a newsstand and a bookstore.
- The game is on Saturday.

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3 **GROUP WORK** Ask about classmates' birthdays. Complete the chart.

Capricorn Dec. 22 – Jan. 20	Aquarius Jan. 21 – Feb. 19	Pisces Feb. 20 – Mar. 20	Aries Mar. 21 – Apr. 20	Taurus Apr. 21 – May 21												
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PAIR WORK Create conversations for the people.

1 Talk about the events. For example:

Look. There's a — ...

2 Confirm that you are on time for an event. For example:

What time's the — ?

CONTEST Study the events for one minute. Then close your books. Who can remember all the times, dates, and locations? For example:

There's a — on — at — .

WRITING Write five sentences about the events or ones in your town. For example:

There's a dinner on Friday, May 20th at ...

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Guidance for this writing exercise



✓ NOW I CAN

- Confirm that I'm on time.
- Talk about the time of an event.
- Ask about birthdays.