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explain how holidays and special occasions s • are celebrated • read correspondence on topics I'm familiar with and understand the most important points • understand most of the information in a long conversation • write messages that convey degrees of emotion and express the personal significance of events and experiences • describe familiar situations or routines • express a range of emotions in conversation to emphasise the personal significance of events
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talk about personal preferences and compare these with others • talk about things that other people do for me • explain ideas using supporting points and relevant examples • describe what was happening before a specific time in the past • understand specialised discussions and make accurate notes as I listen to them • convey information or give arguments in writing for/against a certain standpoint • understand and follow recipes for various dishes

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Go for it!

Communication

Absolutely over the moon! • In search of maximum happiness • You haven't been yourself lately • Do something unexpected! • Perhaps it will inspire you • I'll be waiting

Grammar

reported speech • future continuous and future perfect

Go for it!

The ingredients of happiness

I can ...

describe in detail personal experiences and the associated emotions • follow challenging radio or TV programmes • report what other people have said • understand a conversation about more abstract themes • understand specialised articles if I can look up words in a dictionary now and then • talk about what will be happening or will have happened at a specific point in the future

Communication

They're obviously in love • Let me be your Romeo! • The truth will out • You never stop learning • We'll have to agree to disagree

Grammar

passive voice (revision) • phrasal verbs (revision)

Go for it!

To play or not to play

I can ..

talk about my preferences regarding films and books • write a suitable profile or advert that pertains to my purpose or interests • understand longer texts that contain comprehensive explanations • make and understand detailed arrangements • write clear, detailed texts about a variety of subjects

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Communication

Seeing is believing • Can a whole town be lying? • There I was, singing quietly to myself • What do you suggest we do? • What a tale!

Grammar

narrative tenses • defining and non-defining relative clauses

Go for it!

A pub quiz

I can ...

discuss explanations of strange phenomena • analyse newspaper texts and identify the writer's strategies for achieving a certain aim • synthesise and evaluate information from different newspapers • tell a story using different verb forms to create atmosphere and structure • contribute to the progress of a task by encouraging others to participate or to say what they think • summarise something clearly

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