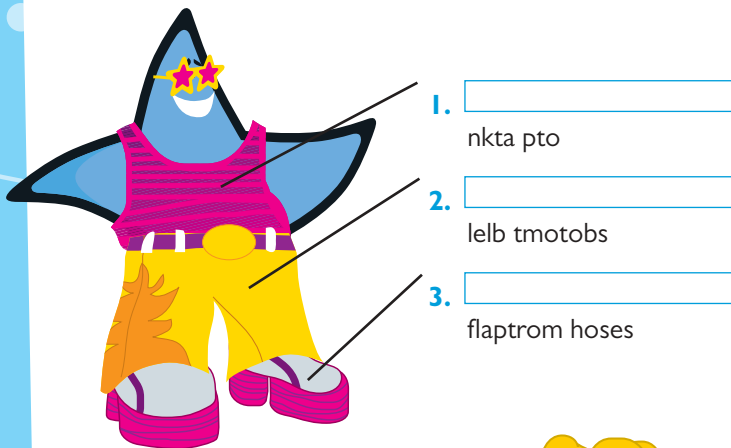


# Keeping in touch with fashion and music

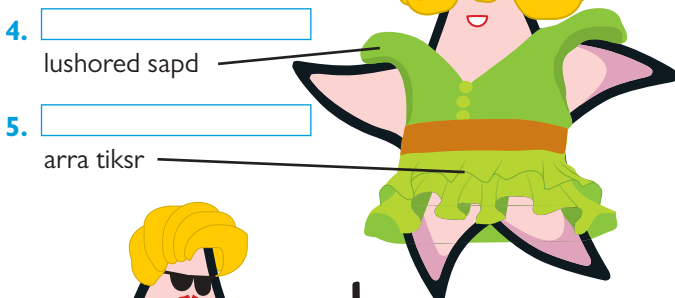
## Fashion quiz

How much has life changed in the past 30 years? You can find out in **Retro English** – the BBC World Service *Learning English* radio programme which will tell you all about life in Britain in the 1970's and 1980's.

One of the programmes in the series is about 70s and 80s fashion. If you were a teenager then, maybe you wore the clothes in the pictures below. Do you know the names in English? Rearrange the letters to find out.



1.   
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2.   
lelb tmotobs
3.   
flaptrom hoses



4.   
lushored sapd
5.   
arra tiksr

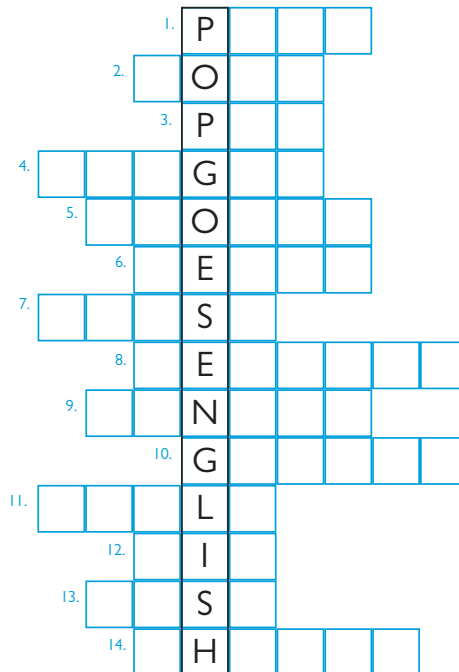


6.   
wopre utis

Take a step back in time and find out more about the 1970s and 1980s in **Retro English**.

## Music crossword

Are you into music? Then **Pop Goes English** is the programme for you. Before you listen to the series, find out how much you know about pop music by completing the puzzle below.



### Clues

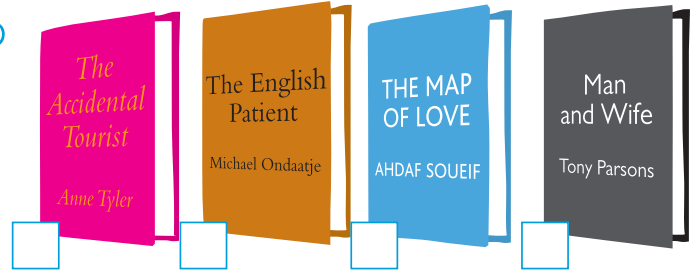
1. This was a pop music revolution in the 1970s.
2. Rock 'n \_\_\_\_\_ will never die!
3. It's sweet, it's fun and it's popular – that's \_\_\_\_\_ music.
4. Madonna is a famous \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Are the Rolling \_\_\_\_\_ the oldest rock group in the world?
6. This kind of metal can be very loud!
7. You could dance to this type of music in the 1990s.
8. John, Paul, George and Ringo – also known as The \_\_\_\_\_.
9. This record has only one or two songs on it.
10. In the 1990s, Nirvana and other bands made this type of rock music popular.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Music – the title given to music from many different countries.
12. The kind of record that all bands want to have.
13. CD is short for 'Compact \_\_\_\_\_'.
14. How do you know which song is the most popular this week? Look at the \_\_\_\_\_.

# Are you a literature lover?

Do you love reading? Are you always looking for new authors and new books in English? Then the BBC World Service has two new *Learning English* radio series for you.

## Match the book with the blurb

**Six Love Stories** is for you if you like romantic fiction. In each programme, you can hear extracts from books written by modern authors writing in English. You may not know these books – but you can find out a lot about them by looking at the titles. Try to match the books with their descriptions.



**a.** How complicated can modern life be? Harry Silver, divorced from his Gina, is now married to girlfriend Cyd. Gina, too, has remarried and Harry's son, Pat, now lives with his mother and her new husband, Richard. But when Gina announces that she is moving from London to the USA with Pat and Richard, Harry is devastated. A marvellous sequel to *Man & Boy*!

**b.** Macon Leary is a travel writer who hates both travel and anything out of the ordinary. Although his job means he has to travel, he is unwilling to leave home and all the comforts which it has. Then he meets Muriel – spontaneous, lively and fearless. She turns his world upside down – and forces him to engage with life again.

**c.** This haunting tale tells the story four people living in an Italian monastery as World War II ends. Three – the nurse, the thief and the soldier – are drawn together to help the injured Englishman who lies in an upstairs room and whose memories light up this story in dazzling flashes.

**d.** In parallel love stories set nearly 100 years apart, this story brings together the politics and cultures of two very different countries. Isabel travels from New York to Cairo to be with her lover, Omar. She takes with her the diaries and letters written by her great-grandmother, Anne, to another Egyptian man. Will Isabel and Omar's love follow the same pattern of Anne's love affair, nearly 100 years previously?

## Name that novel

Literature needn't be serious. **Page Turners** is the programme for everyone who likes reading – no matter what kind of book. Here are some examples of the types of novels you can hear about in this brand new series. To find the names, read the clues and unjumble the letters.



e.g. Novels about strange creatures on other planets.  
**tasafyn = fantasy**

1. Stories involving people like James Bond.  
**ysp sloven**
2. Very long novels with easy-to-follow stories. You can read them while you are travelling.  
**prator conifit**
3. Cheap detective stories – you can read them in a day.  
**rathys eicrm sloven**
4. Everyone has read this book – and seen the film. It's a \_\_\_\_\_!  
**clubkertobs**
5. These novels are full of excitement and danger.  
**canoti litlerhs**

# Learning to work – and working to learn

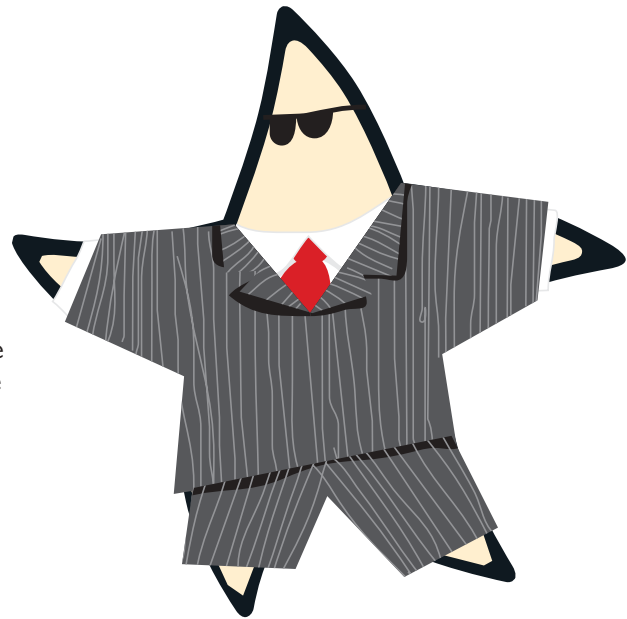
All over the world, people are learning English to help them get better jobs. **Get That Job!** is the BBC World Service *Learning English* radio programme to help you develop work skills – and to develop your English so you can talk about those skills.

## Get That Job! gap fill

The extract below has a number of verbs which we use to talk about work. Can you put the correct verb in the correct space? Make sure that you put in the correct form of the verb!

In my job, I have to  a large project. To do this, I have to  the work of a lot of different people, and make sure that everyone  in the right way. Recently, my company  a new computer system to help us communicate better with each other. Although the new computer system is good, it meant we had to change the way we work. We had to  new administrative systems to make sure that everyone knew exactly what to do. Doing this before we had the new computers in place made it easy to introduce the new computer system. Now everyone is happy. Better communication has  a better atmosphere at work and now we feel that we can really  completing the project!

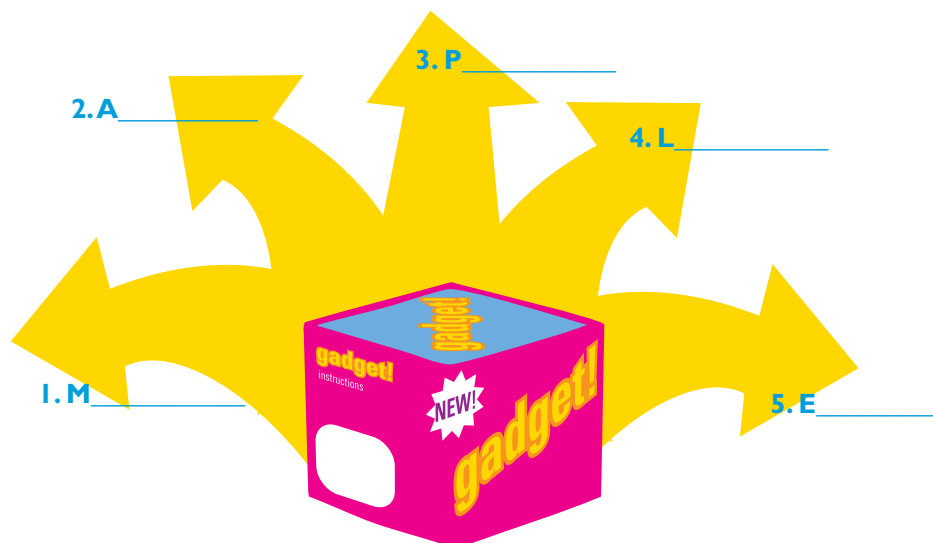
set up      foster      contribute  
manage      install      co-ordinate  
get on with



## Talking business word star

How well can you talk about different aspects of business? To test how much you know, try to complete the word star below. Each 'arm' represents a verb which you can use when you talk about selling a product. How many can you complete using the clues below?

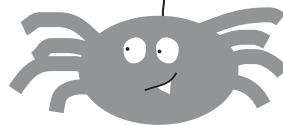
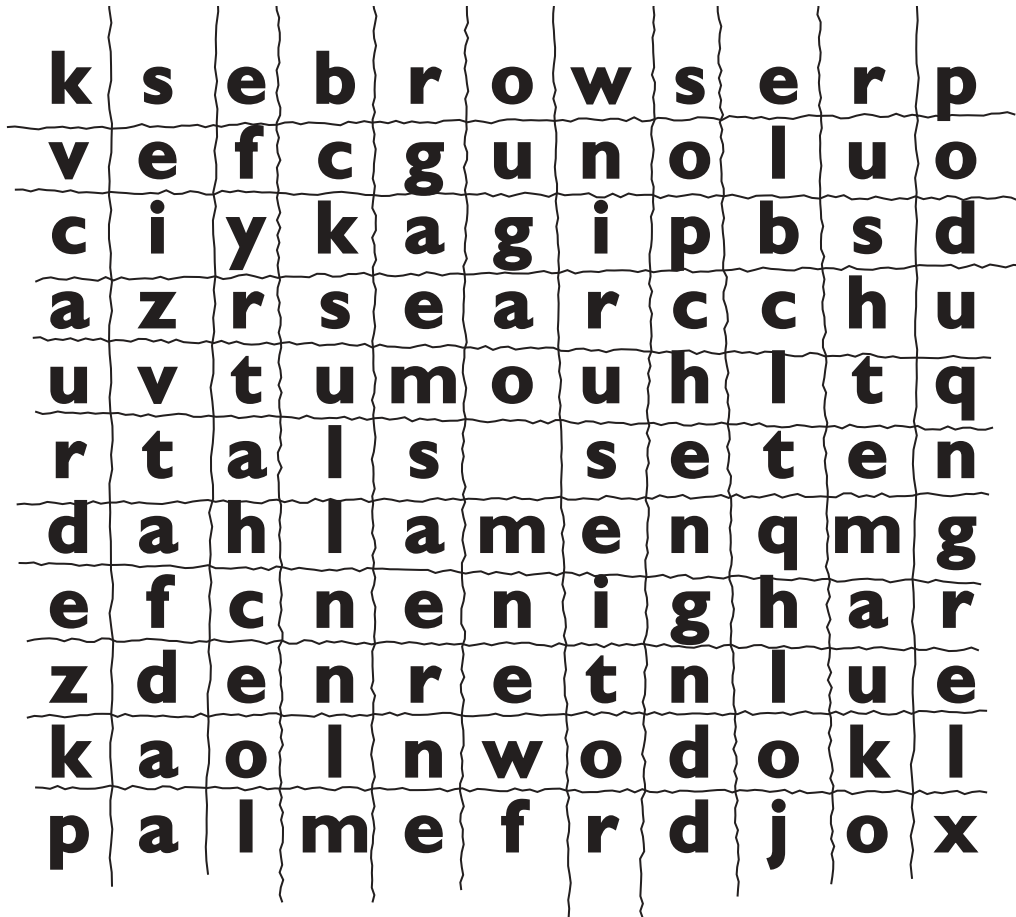
1. to make decisions about how and where to sell a product
2. to use the media (e.g. TV and radio) to tell customers about a product
3. to use a wide range of activities to sell a product
4. to introduce a new product, using lots of media to tell the world about it
5. famous people \_\_\_\_\_ a product when they tell the media that they use it



# Keeping up with developments

## WWW Words Web

Do you enjoy talking about technology? Do you like working on the web? If you do, try this puzzle. In the web, you will find 10 words or phrases connected with internet technology. You can work into the centre or go clockwise around the web to find them. But be careful – the same letter can appear in more than one word!



### Which word or phrase from the wordsearch...

1. is the computer programme which helps you enter the world wide web?
2. is the place you go when you want to find all the information available on a particular subject?
3. is the part of your computer which you click?
4. is something which can cause problems in your computer?
5. are the buttons you press when you type?
6. is what we do when we transfer information from the web onto our own computers?
7. means 'to talk with someone via the internet'?
8. is an abbreviation for 'internet'?

To find out how you can use the internet to improve your English, tune in to the BBC World Service *Learning English* radio programme **Knowledge On The Net**.

# Keeping up with current affairs

If you are interested in keeping up to date with international issues, and learning vocabulary to help you talk about them, then the BBC World Service has two new *Learning English* radio programmes just for you.

## Test your insight

Are you interested in how business and technology is influencing the modern world? How much do you know about international developments? Try our quiz below. You can hear more about the answers in **Insight Plus**.

1. Which company is the top-selling brand in the world?  
a) McDonald's b) Levi's c) Pepsi d) Coca-Cola
2. How many barrels of oil are produced in the world every day?  
a) 8 million b) 18 million  
c) 80 million d) 800 million
3. When was the Russian space station 'Mir' launched?  
a) 1961 b) 1969 c) 1986 d) 1991
4. How many countries signed the 1997 Kyoto Protocol on reducing greenhouse gases?  
a) more than 50 b) more than 100  
c) more than 150 d) more than 200
5. The index of the world's technology companies which is based in the USA. What is its name??  
a) NASDAQ b) Dow-Jones c) FTSE d) Nikkei
6. How many countries are member states of the United Nations?  
a) 205 b) 189 d) 147 c) 122



## Who said that?

**Language in Focus: Global Sustainability** looks at development and the future of the world from a wide range of viewpoints. In the radio series, you will hear a number of different views of what makes 'sustainable development'. Can you match the definition with the speaker?

- a) *Global sustainability really makes us realise that we have to contribute to the overall wellness of the planet. We can't just look after ourselves, or our families or our own country. We now realise that we are all interconnected and we really have to sustain the planet as a whole.*
- b) *We believe that companies should be interested in sustainability and we specialise in sustainable and responsible investment. For example, if a company cannot guarantee that it is doing everything it possibly can to make sure that the working conditions for the people who make the goods that it sells are acceptable, then we will not invest in that company.*
- c) *If you come to Ethiopia you will see that forests have been cut down and swamps have been drained. And this has upset the whole environmental pattern and we now have problems with drought. Good stewardship of the environment – taking care of the land – is critical to sustainability, not only for growth but for the good of our societies here on earth.*

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Henderson Global  
Investors

2:  George Alibarhu,  
UN Economic  
Commission for Africa

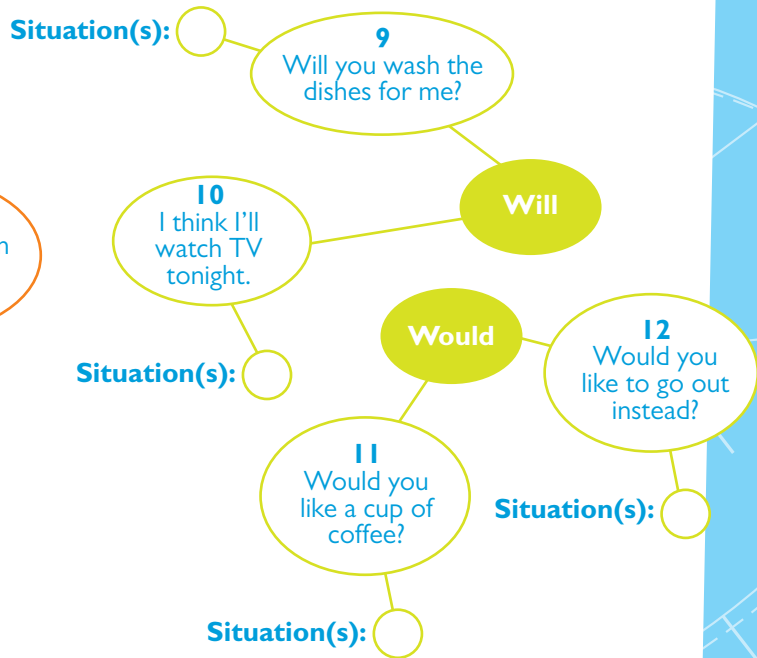
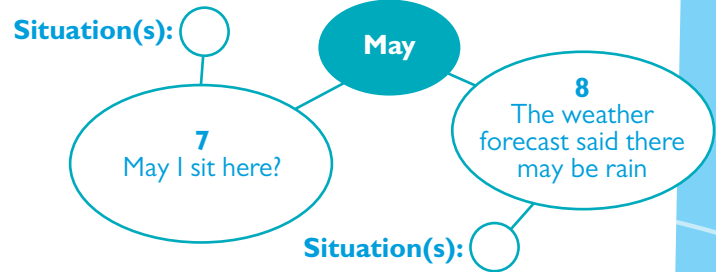
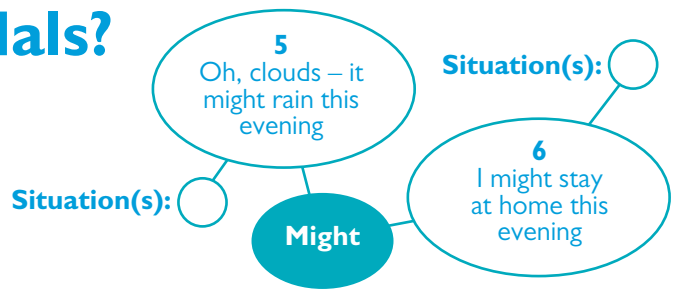
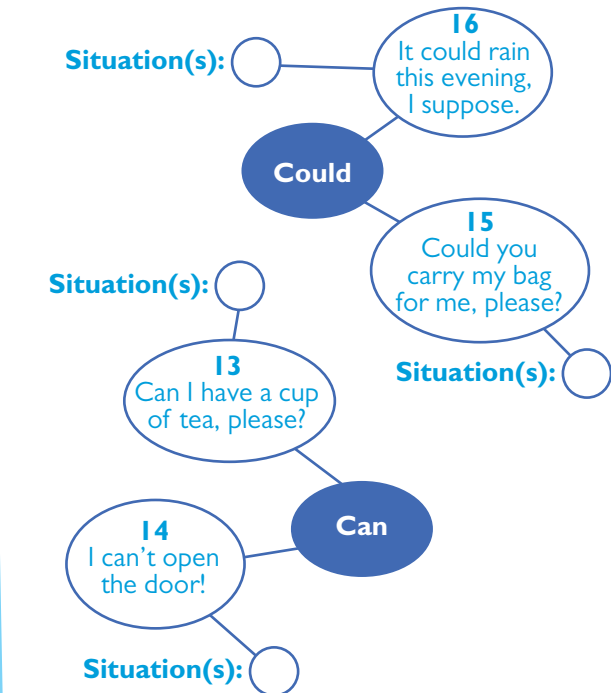
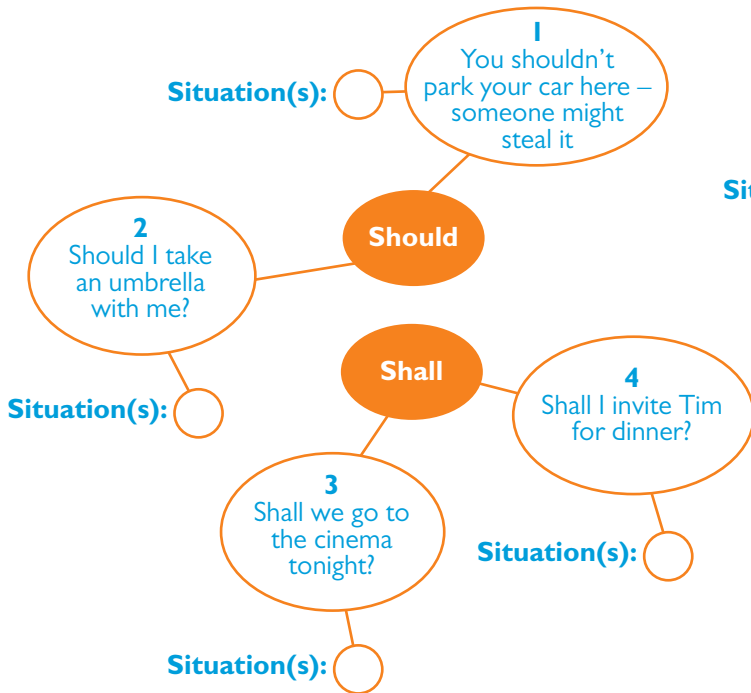
3:  Tricia Caswell,  
Director of Global  
Sustainability at RMIT  
University, Australia.

# In a muddle over modals?

Are you confused about modal verbs? Are you unsure when to use 'may' or 'might' or 'should' or 'shall'?

**Modal Café** is the BBC World Service *Learning English* radio programme to help you. It looks at the range of different modal verbs, and the different ways we use each of them.

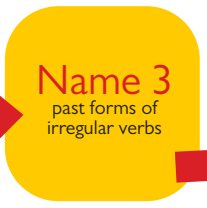
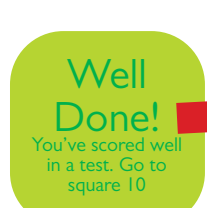
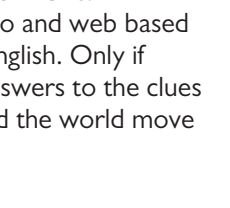
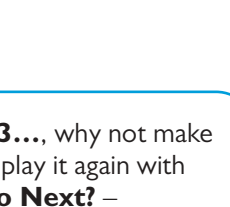
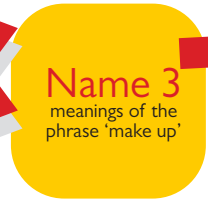
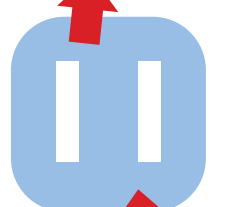
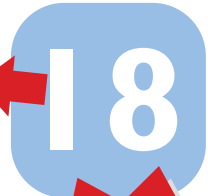
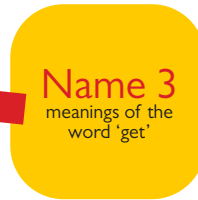
To start you off, here is a short test. Match each verb with the correct situation in which you might use it. But be careful – some situations might match more than one sentence.



## Situation

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| a. offering something to someone                      | h. saying that something is possible (quite formal) |
| b. making a suggestion                                | i. asking for something (informal)                  |
| c. asking someone for help (informal)                 | j. asking for advice                                |
| d. giving someone your opinion or a piece of advice   | k. saying that something is possible – but unlikely |
| e. saying that it is possible for something to happen | l. saying you are (un)able to do something          |
| f. asking for permission (formal)                     | m. deciding to do something                         |
| g. inviting someone to do something                   | n. asking for help (more formal)                    |

# Learning English board game



Do you enjoy playing board games? Here is one you can play which can also help you test your English. You can play this game with 2 or more players.

**You need:** a dice, a copy of the game and a counter for each player. (You can use coins, buttons or pieces of coloured paper as counters.)

## Instructions

- Decide who will play first. The first player rolls the dice to find out where to move his counter. **Start** is square 1.
- If you land on a **Name 3...** square, you must answer the question correctly to stay on the square. If you cannot **Name 3...**, you must go back 2 squares.
- If you land on a **Watch Out!** or **Well Done!** square, you must follow the instructions on that square.
- The winner is the first person to reach the **End** square.

If you enjoyed playing **Name 3...**, why not make up other questions so you can play it again with friends? Or listen to **Where To Next?** – a new BBC World Service radio and web based 'board' game for learners of English. Only if listeners send in the correct answers to the clues does the virtual journey around the world move on! Starts September 2003.

# Answer key

## Keeping in touch with fashion and music

- 1 tank top
- 2 bell bottoms
- 3 platform shoes
- 4 rara skirt
- 5 shoulder pads
- 6 power suit

## Are you into music?

1.	P	U	N	K			
2.	R	O	L	L			
3.	P	O	P				
4.	S	I	N	G	E	R	
5.	S	T	O	N	E	S	
6.	H	E	A	V	Y		
7.	H	O	U	S	E		
8.	B	E	A	T	L	E	S
9.	S	I	N	G	L	E	
10.	G	R	U	N	G	E	
11.	W	O	R	L	D		
12.	H	I	T				
13.	D	I	S	C			
14.	C	H	A	R	T	S	

## Are you a literature lover?

- a Man and Wife
- b The Accidental Tourist
- c The English Patient
- d The Map of Love

## Page Turners

- 1 Spy Novels
- 2 Airport Fiction
- 3 Trashy Crime Novels
- 4 Blockbuster
- 5 Action Thrillers

## Learning to work – and working to learn

- 1 Manage
- 2 Co-ordinate
- 3 Contributes
- 4 Installed
- 5 Set up
- 6 Fostered
- 7 Get on with

## Talking business

- 1 Market
- 2 Advertise
- 3 Promote
- 4 Launch
- 5 Endorse

k	s	e	b	r	o	w	s	e	r	p
v	e	f	c	g	u	n	o	l	u	o
c	i	y	k	a	g	i	p	b	s	d
a	z	r	s	e	a	r	c	h	u	
u	v	t	u	m	o	u	h	l	t	q
r	t	a	l	s		s	e	t	e	n
d	a	h	l	a	m	e	n	q	m	g
e	f	c	n	e	n	i	g	h	a	r
z	d	e	n	r	e	t	n	l	u	e
k	a	o	l	n	w	o	d	o	k	l
p	a	l	m	e	f	r	d	j	o	x

## Keeping up with developments

- 1 Browser
- 2 Search engine
- 3 Mouse
- 4 Virus
- 5 Keys
- 6 Download
- 7 Chat
- 8 Net

## Keeping up with current affairs

- 1 d) Coca Cola
- 2 c) 80 million
- 3 c) 1986
- 4 b) More than 100
- 5 a) NASDAQ (National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations)
- 6 b) 189

## Language in focus: Global Sustainability

- a 3
- b 1
- c 2

## In a muddle over modals

- a 11
- b 3 & 4
- c 9
- d 1
- e 5 & 6
- f 7
- g 12
- h 8
- i 13
- j 2
- k 16
- l 14
- m 10
- n 15

## Board game

There are more than 3 possible answers for each question. Here are some possible answers.

## Countries with English as the first language

Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, United Kingdom, USA

## Past forms of irregular verbs

There are too many to list here. Some examples are... was/were (be); had (have); saw (see); went (go); left (leave); bought (buy); read (read); felt (feel); fell (fall); spoke (speak)

## Meanings of 'make up'

to decide (to make up your mind)

to become friends again after a quarrel (to make up with a friend)

to put on cosmetics (to make up your face; to put on make up)

## 'Rain' adjectives

light; drizzly; patchy; showery; heavy; torrential

## Countries in the UK

England; Northern Ireland; Scotland; Wales

## Meanings of 'get'

to arrive (I got to the station at 10.30)

to receive (I got a letter this morning)

to buy something (I'll get the shopping this evening)

to understand (I didn't get what you said)

to own something (I've got a new radio)

## Reasons for listening to the BBC World Service

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