Student Book Answer Key

Select Readings

SECOND EDITION

Elementary

OXFORD

Chapter 1

Before You Read

B. Answers from the Reading: 1. True; 2. False; 3. True; 4. False

Understanding the Text

A. Name of Sport: football; Number of People: 3.5 billion; Details: popular almost everywhere, players run a lot. Name of Sport: cricket; Number of People: three billion; Details: originally from UK, more popular than football in India and Pakistan. Name of Sport: field hockey; Number of People: two billion; Details: in U.S. it is mainly for high school girls, was played 4,000 years ago in Egypt. Name of Sport: tennis; Number of people: one billion; Details: originally from France, longest game lasted over eleven hours. Name of Sport: table tennis; Number of People: 900 million; Details: ball can go more than 100 mph.

B.
1. True
2. True
3. False
4. False
5. False
6. False
7. True
8. True

D.
1. popular
2. percent
3. approximately
4. especially
5. mainly
6. players
7. similar
8. professional
9. rules
10. about

E.
1. Suggested Answer: roughly
2. Suggested Answer: lasts
3. Suggested Answer: mainly
4. Suggested Answer: similar

Chapter 2

Before You Read

B.
1. Suggested Answer: being a healthy eater
2. a quiz

Understanding the Text

A. Suggested Answers: Healthy eaters…snack on fresh fruits and vegetables, eat slowly, eat brown rice and wheat bread. Healthy eaters don't…skip meals, eat before bed, eat their largest meal in the evening, eat white rice and white bread.

B.
1. False
2. True
3. True
4. False
5. False
6. True
7. False
8. False

D.
1. healthy
2. meal
3. fresh
4. total
5. instead of

E.
2. slowly
3. rarely
4. quickly
5. professionally

F.
2. We go to restaurants sometimes.
3. My brother skips breakfast frequently.
4. We hardly ever eat a big breakfast.

Chapter 3

Before You Read

B. 1. three
2. India, the woods, Democratic Republic of the Congo
3. Suggested Answer: The dream homes do not look similar at all.

Understanding the Text

A. Suggested Answers: Ambani's Dream Home: 2. six floors just for cars 3. has 50-seat movie theater. Thoreau's Dream Home: 2. built house at age 28 3. only 10 feet by 15 feet. Mutombo's Dream Home: 1. hospital with 150 beds 2. emergency room 3. beautiful gardens.

B. 1. B
2. B
3. A
4. C
5. A
6. C

D. 1. owns, owners
2. building, built
3. beautiful
4. different, difference

E. 2. 3
3. 1
4. 2
5. 5
6. 1

Chapter 4

Understanding the Text

A. Suggested Answers: Country: in the United States; Greetings in Formal Situations: shake hands firmly; Greetings Among Friends: "Hi!" or a hug or a fist bump. Country: in Turkey; Greetings in Formal Situations: shake hands firmly; Greetings Among Friends: hug. Country: in Venezuela; Greetings in Formal Situations: shake hands; Greetings Among Friends: hug and pat on back, or hug and kiss on cheek. Country: in Thailand; Greetings in Formal Situations: some people bow but more and more people shake hands; Greetings Among Friends: bow and say, "Sawadee."

B. 1. False
2. True
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. True
7. True

D. 1. Suggested Answer: When close friends meet, it is common for them to hug.
2. Suggested Answer: The most traditional way of greeting someone is to shake hands.
3. Suggested Answer: It's acceptable for females to greet each other with a hug and/or a kiss.

E. 1. formal
2. perfectly
3. firmly
4. casual

F. 2. He gives them a hug and a pat on the back.
3. He gives them a small hug and a kiss on the cheek.

Chapter 5

Before You Read

A. 1. Suggested Answers: sun, oil, trees, and water
2. Suggested Answers: sun and oil
3. Suggested Answers: coal and wind

B. Answers from the Reading: 1. Masdar is in the United Arab Emirates. 2. It is special because it does not use any oil. 3. People get around in small, solar-powered cars.

Understanding the Text

A. 2. Effect: The streets stay cool.
3. Effect: People can walk most places or use Personal Rapid Transit.

B. 1. True, Line 8
2. False, Line 15
3. False, Line 18
4. True, Line 22
5. True, Line 22
6. True, Line 30
7. True, Line 27

D. 1. shade
2. tired
3. cool
4. narrow
5. waste
6. successful

E. 2. rewrite
3. replay
4. rebuild
5. rewash

Chapter 6

Before You Read

A. 1. Suggested Answer: *please* means *make happy*; You can make your teacher happy by being on time for class.
2. Suggested Answer: *while* means *at the same time as*
3. Suggested Answer: *another* means *a different thing or person*

B. 4, 2, 3, 1

Understanding the Text

A. 6, 7, 2, 1, 8, 5, 3, 4

B. 1. A
2. B
3. A

D. 1. criticizes
2. disapproval
3. believed, belief

E. 1. 3
2. 1
3. 2
4. 3
5. 2

F. 1. In the story, Nasreddin tries to please everyone.
2. Someone in the story says that Nasreddin and his son are fools.
3. No one in the story says anything nice about Nasreddin and his son.

Chapter 7

Before You Read

B. Answers from the Reading: 1. The men decided to run across the Sahara Desert. 2. They needed to eat a lot because they were burning so many calories. 3. Yes, they were successful.

Understanding the Text

A. Suggested Answers: The Sahara Desert: largest desert in the world, very cold at night. A Typical Day on the Run: break at 11 a.m. until 5 p.m., run until 9:30 p.m., 40 miles a day, need to eat a lot and drink lots of water. Difficulties on the Run: wanting to quit, heat made them sick, legs and feet hurt, so windy they could not see.

B.
1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. True
6. False
7. False

C.
3. to avoid the heat of the day
4. 13-20

D.
1. seem
2. hurts
3. heat
4. get lost
5. quit

E.
1. A
2. C

F.
1. important
2. unhealthy
3. successful
4. friendly
5. uncommon

Chapter 8

Before You Read

B. Answers from the Reading: 1. Bicycles are popular because the government makes driving expensive by taxing cars. Also, the government makes riding a bike easy by building special lanes. 2. The government plans to build a superhighway that is only for cyclists.

Understanding the Text

A.
1. Suggested Answers: Denmark is a very flat country. There are special lanes for cyclists.
2. Suggested Answers: There will only be green lights on the superhighways. There will be special places to rest.

B.
1. True, Line 1
2. True, Line 7
3. True, Line 7
4. False, Line 12
5. True, Line 13
6. False, Line 19
7. True, Lines 20-25

D.
1. commutes
2. reason
3. traffic
4. cross
5. place
6. copy

E.
1. pollutes
2. popularity
3. government
4. special

F.
1. Suggested Answers: soccer and tennis
2. Suggested Answers: candy and French fries
3. Suggested Answers: fruits and nuts

Chapter 9

Understanding the Text

A. 1989: moved to London, often cooked meals for her family; 2005: first TV cooking program; 2006: wrote first cookbook; 2008: started *Chinese Food Made Easy*, wrote another cookbook

B. 1. A
2. C
3. B
4. B
5. B

D. 1. combination
2. creative
3. passion
4. preparation
5. succeed
6. traditions

E. 1. in 1989
2. when
3. many years later
4. in 2005
5. the next year
6. two years later
7. today

Chapter 10

Understanding the Text

A. Suggested Answers: Backpacking: hiking, sleep in a tent, tiring; Couchsurfing: connect with hosts online, sleep on couches, great way to meet people

B. 1. C
2. B
3. A
4. C
5. A

D. Suggested Answers: Things You Can Only Do Outdoors: go camping, go backpacking, go skiing, go surfing; Things You Can Only Do Indoors: none of the above; Things You Can Do Indoors or Outdoors: go walking, go swimming, go shopping, go running

E. 1. Suggested Answer: However, last night I went running.
2. Suggested Answer: However, lunch and dinner are also important.
3. Suggested Answer: However, I had a terrible time.
4. Suggested Answer: However, it is very tiring.

Chapter 11

Before You Read

A. 1. Suggested Answer: *comfortable* means *pleasant to be in*; In cold weather, heat makes a room comfortable. Other things that make a room comfortable are furniture, decorations, and light.
2. Suggested Answer: *rare* means *not seen that often*; Other things that are rare in a city are farms, lakes, and snakes.
3. Suggested Answer: *enough* means *as much as you need*
4. Suggested Answer: *regular* means *average*, *normal*
5. Suggested Answer: *strong* means *physically capable*; Other things that make a person strong are eating healthy foods and finding time to relax.

Understanding the Text

A. 1998: wrote a book about his life; 2001: got married; 2007: became an elementary school teacher

B. 1. B
2. C
3. A
4. B
5. C

D. 1. Suggested Answer: In fact, it is the most popular sport in the world.
2. Suggested Answer: Actually, it gets quite cold at night.
3. Suggested Answer: Actually, it is easy if you have a good teacher.

E. 2. 1
3. 3
4. 2
5. 2
6. 5
7. 6
8. 3

Chapter 12

Before You Read

A. 1. Suggested Answer: *event* means *something that happens*; Other important events for a family are weddings and funerals.
2. Suggested Answer: *include* means *consists of*; A good education includes reading, writing, math, and science.
3. Suggested Answer: *connect* means *link*; Other things that connect people to the past are stories and music.
4. Suggested Answer: *favorite* means *the one you like the most*
5. Suggested Answer: *skillful* means *very good at doing something*

B. 3. Suggested Answers: The oil wrestling festival takes place every June in Edirne, Turkey. Croatia's gingerbread tradition dates back to the 1500s.

Understanding the Text

A. Tradition: oil wrestling. Suggested Answers: Where is it from? Turkey; How old is it? 650 years old; Details: Men cover themselves in oil and wrestle at a festival.
Tradition: gingerbread. Suggested Answers: Where is it from? Croatia; How old is it? 500 years old; Details: Gingerbread is made in many shapes and then decorated.

B. 1. B 4. A
2. B 5. B
3. A 6. C

D. 1. tradition, together 4. include
2. competition 5. protect
3. favorite 6. join

E. 1. skill 4. traditional
2. culture 5. secretive
3. successful 6. expense

Chapter 13

Before You Read

A. (clockwise from top left) flight attendant, pilot, passengers, life jacket, cockpit, seat belt

B. Answers from the Reading: 1. The roof came off, and it made an emergency landing. 2. They were surprised. 3. It was an old plane that became weak.

Understanding the Text

A. 4, 8, 5, 1, 6, 3, 7, 2

B. What happened at the beginning of the story? Flight 243 left Hilo, Hawaii with 89 passengers.
What happened in the middle of the story? There was a loud noise, and suddenly, part of the roof of the airplane was gone. Paper, books, and metal flew around the passengers.
What happened at the end of the story? The pilot put the airplane into a fast descent and landed safely at an airport in Maui.

D. 1. beliefs
2. descend
3. noisily
4. completely
5. safe

E. 1. Suggested Answers: cockpit, seats, wheels, roof, engines
2. Suggested Answers: walls, floors, ceilings, doors, chimney

F. 2. seat + belt = seat belt
3. business + man = businessman
4. window + seat = window seat

Chapter 14

Before You Read

B. 2. Suggested Answers: Turkey: There is a national achievement exam in March. United Kingdom: There are three national achievement exams that students take when they are 16, 17, and 18. United States: The admissions system is different from the other countries.

Understanding the Text

A. In Turkey: two national achievement exams, high school grades
In the United Kingdom: three achievement exams, personal statement, letter of reference, extracurricular activities
In the United States: SAT exam, high school grades, admissions essay, reference letters, extracurricular activities

B.
1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. True
6. False
7. False

D.
1. subjects
2. knowledge
3. quite
4. measures
5. ability

E.
1. achievement
2. achieve
3. consideration
4. consider
5. measurements

F.
1. Suggested Answer: Like football, cricket is a sport played with a ball.
2. Suggested Answer: Unlike backpacking, staying in a hotel is expensive.
3. Suggested Answer: Unlike the Sahara Desert, the environment where I live is cold and damp.

Reading Skills Guide

Scanning

A. 1. 11:00 2. LH 493 3. London

B.
1. two
2. noun

Taking Notes

A. Suggested Answers: Topic: volleyball; Details: sixth most popular sport in the world, 900 million people watch or play, originally from United States but now popular worldwide

B. Suggested Answers: 1991: became a professional basketball player; 1997: started the Dikembe Mutombo Foundation; 2007: opened hospital

Using Context Clues

A.
1. A
2. B
3. B

B.
1. 1
2. 2
3. 2
4. 1
5. 2
6. 1
7. 3
8. 2

Identifying Main Ideas and Details

A.
1. D, D, MI, D
2. D, D, D, MI
3. D, MI, D, D

Making Inferences

A.
1. Suggested Answer: Cricket is very popular in India.
2. Suggested Answer: The two tennis players were in very good shape.
3. Suggested Answer: The air is probably very clean in a city without cars.
4. Suggested Answer: Many people in Copenhagen work close to home.