

We all think differently. We all like different things. We like different kinds of food and different kinds of music. We also like different styles of clothing.

Wherever you are, you are different from everyone else. Nobody else looks just like you. Nobody has your thoughts or your talents. There are more than six billion people on Earth, but none of them are exactly like you. You are one of a kind!

Leisure and Entertainment

Unit 16 Karaoke

M: It's nice to see you, Karen. How have you been?

W: I've been very well, thank you. How are you, Dan?

M: I'm fine, thanks. I went to the movies Saturday night. I wanted to invite you, but you weren't home.

W: That's right, I went karaoke singing with some friends on Saturday night.

M: Really? I've never sung karaoke. What's it like?

W: I had never gone karaoke singing before either, but I had a great time. My friends were experienced karaoke singers, so they showed me what to do.

M: Did you have to sing in front of a lot of strangers?

W: No, the place we went to rented out small private rooms. Nobody else could hear us. They even gave us free sodas!

M: Cool! What kind of music did they have?

W: They had hundreds of different songs to choose from. They had both new songs and old songs. They had songs in English and songs in several other languages, too. It was really fun!

M: I think I'll go karaoke singing next weekend!

Unit 17 Watching TV

W: Did you watch the latest episode of that new reality show last night?

M: There are so many of those reality shows these days. Which one are you talking about?

W: It's called "Good Fences," and it's all about neighbors. This reality show is the only one I like, because you're right, the others are just silly.

M: I never watch reality shows at all. I prefer to watch shows that teach me about something, like science and nature programs, and travel shows.

W: Oh, I like travel shows, too. My favorite travel show is the one with that chef from England. He travels, cooks, and eats all the time!

M: I like that one, too. He really makes me laugh. He has a good sense of humor.

W: Let's watch it together this week. It's on Thursday at eight o'clock, right?

M: That's right, but where shall we watch it?

W: Well, I have a big-screen TV and a comfortable sofa.

M: OK, we'll watch it at your place then, and I'll bring some snacks. See you then!

Unit 18 Have Some Fun!

W: OK, great, we'll meet you in an hour. Bye.

M: Who was that on the phone, Jane?

W: That was Amy. She wants to meet us in front of her apartment building in an hour.

M: Why are we meeting her there?

W: Because her apartment is close to the bus stop. We're going to go downtown and watch a movie, so hurry up and get ready.

M: Oh, I honestly don't think I should watch a movie tonight. I'm studying for an important test on Tuesday, so I really don't have time to have fun!

W: You have been studying for several days, Joe. You don't need to study anymore. You need to have some fun because you're too tired to study, anyway.

M: I don't know, maybe you're right. Is it just Amy and us going?

W: Lily is coming along, too.

M: Really? I need time to take a shower and get dressed!

W: Don't worry, you have time.

M: It will be fun to see Lily and fun to watch a movie together.

W: I told you so!

Unit 19 Tickets to the Game

- W: You won't believe this, but I have some great news! I've got two tickets to the baseball game next Saturday.
- M: Did I hear you correctly? You have two tickets to the baseball game? How did you get those? I thought it was impossible to get tickets because they were all sold out last month!
- W: It was easy, actually. My colleague and her husband have to go to London that week, so they'll miss the game. They offered me their tickets, and of course I was happy to accept.
- M: You're so lucky! Who are you going to take with you?
- W: I was thinking that maybe you would like to go. Otherwise, I might take my brother instead.
- M: Don't do that, I would love to watch the game with you!
- W: I was just joking. I know you really want to go. Where shall we meet on Saturday?
- M: Well, the game starts at nine o'clock in the morning, right?
- W: Yes, shall we meet here at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday?
- M: Good idea. I can't wait!

Unit 20 Wonder Woman

- B: Comic book heroes have been popular for many years. One hero has the strength of one hundred men. This hero also has the speed of lightning. This hero cannot be killed. If you think this hero is Superman, you are wrong! This hero is Wonder Woman!

A man called William Marston created Wonder Woman in 1941. He was a graduate of Harvard University. He used a false name on his comics. He did not want his colleagues to know that he wrote comics. The false name was Charles Moulton.

Mr. Marston wanted to make a strong female hero for little girls. Of course, he hoped that little boys would like Wonder Woman, too. Wonder Woman was not very popular at first. Then, World War II began in 1941.

Wonder Woman became a role model for children around the world. She was both strong and beautiful. She always tried to do what was right. Today, she is still one of the most popular heroes of all time.

School and Family

Unit 21 Blood Types

- G: Thanks for meeting with me today, Professor. I don't understand last week's lecture on blood types. Could you please explain it to me?
- M: No problem, Angela. First, let's see what you do understand. Can you tell me about blood types?
- G: There are four types of blood: A, B, AB, and O.
- M: Good! How is your blood type determined?
- G: You get your blood type from both your parents. Your blood type is a combination of genes from your father and your mother.
- M: That's right.
- G: Before the lecture, I always thought that all blood was the same. Why can't two different blood types mix?
- M: In some ways, every person's blood is the same. But it is very dangerous to mix two different blood types. Your blood cells may begin to stick together. If you are given the wrong type of blood in a hospital, you could die.
- G: I see. So, that's why blood types must be matched in the hospital. And this must be done before blood is given to anyone.
- M: Exactly!

Unit 22 The Car Ride

- B: Mom, Danielle's on my side of the car again. Tell her to move over!
- W: Listen, both of you, I've had enough of your nonsense. Sit still, be quiet, and enjoy the scenery!
- G: Mom, is Toronto still far away?
- W: It's going to take a long time to get there, so read your book.
- G: I don't like to read in the car because it gives me a headache. Can we put a CD in?
- W: I suppose so, but it had better not be rap music. That music is awful, and I can't believe you children actually listen to it.
- B: Oh, please, can we play some rap music? You might like it, Mom.
- W: Well, only if you promise that there is no bad language in it.
- B: There isn't any bad language, I promise!
- W: All right, I'll play the CD, but it will be at the volume I choose.