6C Everyday English
Can you call me back?

Learn to leave a voicemail message and ask for someone on the phone

(S) Asking someone to wait (P) Sound and spelling: *a*

1 LISTENING

a If you phone a friend and there's no answer, what do you usually do? Say why.

- leave a message
- send them a text
- call again later

b 2.63 Watch or listen to Part 1. Which two people leave messages?

c 2.63 Watch or listen to Part 1 again. Are the sentences true or false?

1 Annie tells Dan to only call her on her mobile.
2 Dan tells Annie where he is.

2 USEFUL LANGUAGE
Leaving a voicemail message

a Which sentences do Dan (*D*) or Annie (*A*) say? Which are on their voicemail (*V*)?

1 Please leave a message after the tone.
2 Can you call me back?
3 Could you call me back?
4 You can call me on my work number or my mobile.
5 I'm not here right now.
6 Hi, Dan – it's Annie.

b 2.63 Watch or listen to Part 1 again and check your answers in 2a.

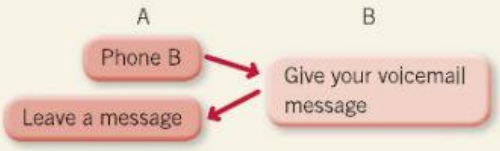
c 2.64 Complete the voicemail message and the caller's message with the words in the box. Listen and check.

this	message	it's	call	here	back

Voicemail
Hello, [1]_____ is Alex. Sorry, I'm not [2]_____ just now. Please leave a [3]_____ and I'll call you later.

Caller
Hi, [4]_____ Pam. Could you call me [5]_____? You can [6]_____ me at work.

d Work in pairs. Use the dialogue map to leave a message. Take turns being A and B.



LIVEWORKSHEETS

3 LISTENING

a 2.65 Put events a-e in the order they happened. Watch or listen to Part 2 and check your answers.

a ☐ Annie chats to Leo.
b 1 Dan goes to make coffee.
c ☐ Leo answers the phone.
d ☐ Dan brings some coffee.
e ☐ Dan talks to Annie.

b Answer the questions.

1 What do Leo and Annie talk about?
a how they are b the weather c work
2 How does Leo feel?

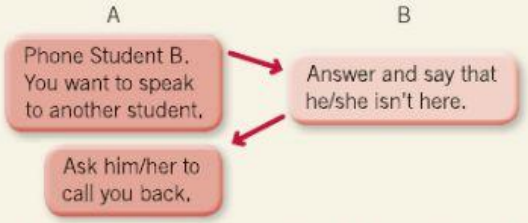
4 USEFUL LANGUAGE

Asking for someone on the phone

a 2.65 Look at Annie's questions and Leo's answers. Underline the correct words. Then watch or listen to Part 2 again and check your answers.

ANNIE Is Dan [1]*here / there*?
LEO He's not [2]*here / there* just now.
ANNIE Can he call me [3]*again / back*?
LEO He'll be [4]*back / there* soon.

b Work in pairs. Use the dialogue map to ask for someone. Take turns being A and B.



5 CONVERSATION SKILLS

Asking someone to wait

a Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

just wait minute (x2)

LEO Can you [1]_____ a [2]_____? He'll be back soon.
ANNIE Sure.

LEO It's Annie.
DAN Oh, good. [3]_____ a [4]_____.

b What does *a minute* mean in the conversation?

a 'exactly one minute' b 'a short time'

c Practise the conversation in 4b again. Use expressions in 5a.

6 PRONUNCIATION

Sound and spelling: *a*

a 2.66 Listen to the sound of the letter *a* in the words below.

Sound 1 /æ/	Sound 2 /ɔ:/	Sound 3 /ɪ/	Sound 4 /eɪ/
thanks	call	message	later

b 2.67 What sound do the marked letters have in the words in the box? Add them to the sound groups in 6a. Listen and check. Listen and repeat.

talk village wait tall back luggage
voicemail same small table black

c Work in pairs. Cover the table in 6a. Student A: say a word from 6b. Student B: say a word that has the same sound. Then swap roles.

7 SPEAKING

a 2.68 Listen and complete the phone conversation.

SUE Hello, Sue Parker.
NICK Hi, Sue. [1]_____ Nick. Is Melanie there, please?
SUE No, sorry. She's not [2]_____ just now. She's at her English class. Do you want to leave a [3]_____?
NICK No, it's OK. Can she call me [4]_____?
SUE OK, I'll tell her.
NICK Thanks. She can [5]_____ me on my mobile.
SUE OK. … Just a [6]_____. I need to find a pen to write the number.
NICK It's OK, she knows my number.

MELANIE Hi, Nick. [7]_____ Melanie.
NICK Hi, Melanie!
MELANIE Sue says you [8]_____.
NICK Yes, that's right. Do you want to meet on Friday? We can go for a meal.
MELANIE Yes, I'd love to.

b **Communication 6C** Student A go to p.130. Student B go to p.134. Student C go to p.135.

Unit Progress Test

CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

You can now do the Unit Progress Test.

LIVEWORKSHEETS