

2.5. Is English essential for your future?

- 1** Reread the text on p. 26 of the Student's Book. True (T) or False (F)?
- a English is not an important language in the modern world.
 - b It's part of the school curriculum in over 1000 countries.
 - c One billion people speak or study English globally.
 - d It isn't very important in the arts or the media.
 - e It's the global language in history.



English - ...

English is an **essential** language in the **modern** world. In over 100 countries, it is part of the school **curriculum** and the most important **international** language for **government**, **education**, **business**, **media**, and art. Chinese politicians use English to **communicate** with American politicians, Brazilian artists with Nigerian artists, **Russian** scientists with Japanese scientists. **Globally**, over two billion people speak or **study** English.

It's **THE** international language of this **planet**.

2 Complete the questions. Then match them to the answers.

- a Who _____ Antonio Banderas?
- b How old _____ he?
- c Where _____ he from?
- d _____ he married?
- e And who _____ Venus and Serena Williams?
- f Where _____ they from?

- I don't know. About 60?
- No, he's single, I think.
- They're professional tennis players and sisters.
- He's a Hollywood actor.
- They are from the U.S.
- He's from Spain, but he lives in the U.S.



3 Circle the different word.

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|---|---------|-----------|--------|------------|
| a | English | Chinese | Spain | Portuguese |
| b | China | Australia | Indian | Mexico |
| c | from | to | in | be |
| d | web | what | who | where |
| e | in | the | a | an |
| f | I | one | you | we |
| g | are | have | is | am |

4 2.6 Listen to two friends playing a guessing game. Who's the person?

5 2.6 Complete the questions. Listen again to check.

Ana Is he American?

Sam No, he isn't. He's British.

Ana _____?

Sam He's around 40.

Ana _____?

Sam He's from Bristol in the UK.

Ana _____?

Sam Yes, he's very famous. His graffiti is fantastic. I love his art. His initials are RB.

Ana Oh, I think I know. But I don't remember his name.

Sam OK, well, his nickname is very famous. The first letter is B. B - A ...

Ana Ah, OK, it's Ba_____.

6 Answer true (T) or false (F) about Banksy.

- a His name's Bill Banks.
- b Sam doesn't know his exact age.
- c He's from Brighton in the UK.
- d He's a famous graffiti artist.

