

UNIT 1 - TOP NOTCH 1 - WORKBOOK
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- 15** Read about where the people are from. Guess their nationalities. Use yes / no questions.
1. A: "My hometown is Vancouver." B: _____?
 3. A: "I'm originally from London." B: _____?
 2. A: "I'm from Beijing." B: _____?
 4. A: "I'm actually from Istanbul." B: _____?
- 16** Answer the questions. Use your own words.
1. "What's your nationality?" **YOU** _____
 2. "What's your birthplace?" **YOU** _____
 3. "What's your hometown?" **YOU** _____
 4. "What's your occupation?" **YOU** _____
 5. "What's your nickname?" **YOU** _____

- 17** Read the letter and reply on an intercultural exchange website.

Ask Allen Advice for International Travelers

What's in a first name? In many countries, it's the last.

Dear Allen,

I have a problem. My name is Chinese. It's Zhang Yin. Zhang is my last name and Yin is my first name. In my family name is first and given names are last. I'm a salesman and I often travel to English-speaking countries for business. When I introduce myself, I usually say "I'm English." I write Yin in the box for first name and Zhang in the box for last name. Then people call me Yin Zhang. When I introduce myself as Zhang Yin, people call me Mr. Yin. So, so many I say that my name is Yin Zhang. But I don't feel comfortable with that because that isn't my real name. What should I do?

Zhang Yin
 Shanghai, China

Dear Yin,

In English-speaking countries, when you ask "What's your name?" you always get the person's given name first and the family name last. In China and in many other countries, including Japan and Korea, the family name is first and given name is second. To avoid confusion, introduce yourself like this: "Hi, I'm Zhang Yin. My first name is Yin and my family name is Zhang. Please call me Mr. Zhang."

Allen

Now read the sentences. Check true, false, or no information.

- | | true | false | no information |
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| 1. Zhang Yin's nationality is Chinese. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Zhang Yin's family name is Yin. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Zhang Yin is a computer programmer. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Zhang Yin is married. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. In China, you say a person's family name first. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |



Ms. Lena Marques. She works as a financial manager for a Swedish company in Beijing, China. Ms. Marques was born and raised in Sweden. She is single and lives with her parents. "I use English every day," Ms. Marques says. "We use it in most of our e-mails and sometimes we have to speak English with our clients." In her free time, she likes to watch DVDs in English. "It's good for my pronunciation," she adds.



Mr. Yuan, Yong Jie, his wife, Zhang Yang, and their son, Yuan Bao. They live in Beijing, China. Mr. Yuan, a manager, is originally from Weihai, a small seaside city in Shandong Province. His wife is a teacher and his son is a student. "I speak English at work," says Mr. Yuan. "I provide tour guides to foreign businesspeople who visit China, so English is very important for my work," he says. At home, Mr. Yuan enjoys watching English-language TV and listening to English-language radio.



Mr. Marcus Stolze, an information technology researcher. Mr. Stolze lives with his wife, Thérèse, and children, Lena and Jan, in Rüti, a small town in Switzerland. Mr. Stolze is originally from Britain, Germany, and has English roots on his father's side. Their children are also multilingual. "At work, we use English a lot because we communicate with people who speak many different languages," he says. "Also, most good books on computing are in English," he adds.

- 10. Read the article "Who uses English? on page 10 of the Student's Book again. Answer the questions.**

1. What is the nationality of Ms. Marques's company?

2. How does Ms. Marques use English in her free time?

3. Who is Mr. Yuan's wife? What is her occupation?

4. How does Mr. Yuan use English at home?

5. Who is Mr. Stolze's wife? What is her occupation?

6. How do you use English in your free time?

- 19** Read about a famous athlete.



Name: **Roger Federer**
 Nickname: **Federer Express**
 Occupation: **Professional athlete (tennis player)**
 Date of birth: **August 8, 1981**
 Nationality: **Swiss**
 Hometown: **Basel, Switzerland**
 Now lives in: **Wollerau, Switzerland**
 Interesting facts: He speaks Swiss-German, English, German, and French (also some Swedish and Italian). He is the father of two girls born in 2009, and twin boys born in 2014. In his free time, he likes to play video games.

Now write a paragraph introducing Roger Federer. Use the paragraphs on page 11 of the Student's Book as a model.
