

You can do it!

1



Are your white leather sneakers dirty? Do they smell bad, too? Try these two easy cleaning methods! Clean your sneakers with toothpaste (yes, really!) and put a lot of old newspaper inside. The paper stops the bad odor!

2



Would you like something new for your bedroom? This cardboard shelf is easy to make and doesn't cost anything! All you need is some clean cardboard, some scissors and some tape! It's quite strong, but don't put anything heavy on it!

3



Would you like a new bag? With this idea, you can make one from an old cotton scarf. You don't need to cut anything, and it can hold everything!

4



Do you watch a lot of videos? It's great to have something that holds your phone. This phone holder is made from wooden lollipop sticks. It's very light, but it works really well, and it costs nothing to make!

5



Would you like to make your garden prettier? You can do this with some old plastic bottles. Make some holes in them, attach them to the wall, and put plants in them. You can grow everything in a plastic bottle! Just remember to give them water!

6



Do you need some new speakers for your phone? Here is the solution! You can make them with two plastic cups and a cardboard tube. Everything sounds better. Seriously!

Reading Skills

LO Skim-read a blog post to understand the main idea

A blog post



Active Readers

Skim-reading

Active readers look for the general idea of a text before they read it in detail. Read the title and look for key words – this is called “Skim-reading”.

- 1**  **32** Read the tip. Read and listen to the blog post about craft projects. What is the general idea? Choose the correct answer.

- ☐ a Projects that cost a lot of money and time.
- ☐ b Projects that are cheap and easy to do.

- 2** Read the blog post again. Complete the table.

Project	Materials needed
1 clean your sneakers	toothpaste
2 build a shelf	
3 make a bag	
4 make a phone holder	
5 build a plant wall	
6 make some speakers	

- 3** For each question, choose the correct answer.

Project 1

- ☐ a Toothpaste is bad for leather sneakers.
- ☐ b Toothpaste stops the odor in sneakers.
- ☒ c Toothpaste makes your sneakers cleaner.

Project 2

- ☐ a This shelf is good for your bedroom.
- ☐ b You need to use new cardboard for the shelf.
- ☐ c The shelf can hold a lot of heavy objects.

Project 3

- ☐ a You can put a lot of different things in the bag.
- ☐ b The bag is a good way to carry your scarf.
- ☐ c You need to buy something to make the bag.

Project 4

- ☐ a The holder only works with light phones.
- ☐ b You need to watch a video before you build the holder.
- ☐ c The holder stops your arms becoming tired.

Project 5

- ☐ a New plastic bottles are prettier than old ones.
- ☐ b You can grow different plants inside the bottles.
- ☐ c Fill all the bottles with water first.

Project 6

- ☐ a You only need three items to make the speakers.
- ☐ b Plastic cups are better than cardboard tubes.
- ☐ c Everything works better with a plastic phone.

- 4**  **Your turn** Which project would you like to do? Tell a partner.

A product review

LO Write a review of a product

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Writing Skills

1 A lot of people write reviews of products. What do you think are the main reasons for this? Check (✓) the sentences below. Then check your answers below.

- 1 ☐ They want to give positive feedback.
- 2 ☐ They want to complain.
- 3 ☐ They want to help other people to choose the right product.
- 4 ☐ They want everyone to know their opinions.
- 5 ☐ They want to share their experiences.

According to the review website Trustpilot, the main three reasons for writing reviews are:

- 1 to help others
- 2 to share experiences
- 3 to thank a company for a great product or service

Women's Clothes > Sweaters



Gray cotton sweater

\$18.99

Select size ▼



Reviews: 201



KEMI_P



I bought this gray cotton sweater in a size medium, and it fits perfectly. The cotton is so soft and comfortable to wear, and the quality is great. The company makes its products so well. I thought the price was good value, too. The only problem was the delivery: it took three weeks for my sweater to arrive! But apart from that I'm a happy customer. Everything on this website, from the clothes to the shoes, is so amazing and I would like to order from it again soon.

2 Read the review. Complete the chart.

Material	0	cotton
Color	1	
Size	2	
Quality	3	
Price	4	
Delivery time	5	



Active Writers

so and such

Active writers use the adverbs *so* and *such* to emphasize adjectives and nouns.

so + adjectives / adverbs

Adjectives:

These pants are **really cool**. → These pants are **so cool**.

Adverbs:

The line is moving **very slowly**. → The line is moving **so slowly**.

such + adjective + noun

This is a **very big clothes store**. → This is **such a big clothes store**.

3 Read the tip. Rewrite the sentences with *so* and *such*.

0 These are very expensive jeans.

These are such expensive jeans.

1 My phone was very cheap.

2 Wow! My new laptop works really fast!

3 That is a really cool jacket.

4 This store has very lazy sales clerks!

4 You are going to write a review of a new product. It can be a real product that you own or an imaginary one. You can use an idea from the box or an idea of your own. Copy and complete the chart in exercise 2 for you. 📄

clothes or shoes a gadget furniture
sports equipment

5 Write your review of the product. 📄

- Use your chart in exercise 4.
- Use the review in exercise 2 as a model.
- Use *so* and *such*.

4. Complete the chart for your product review

Material	
Color	
Size	
Quality	
Price	
Delivery time	
Seller service	

5. Write the review of the product. Use the chart. Use the review in exercise 2 as a model. Use so and such.

PRODUCT REVIEW

SHARE YOUR OPINION



PRODUCT NAME: _____

PRICE: \$ _____

SIZE / SIZE: _____

MY RATING: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

MY REVIEW

YOUR OPINION MATTERS!