

Answer Key

Unit 1 – Danny

1 Pre-Listening Comprehension

Normalisation

1. second
2. small
3. Sea France and P&O Ferries

2 Listening Comprehension

Multiple choice

1. a tour bus
2. hotel
3. the beach
4. blue
5. stony
6. caves
7. he didn't have enough money
8. Calais
9. restaurants

4 Further Listening Practice

A. Linking

1. Can you tell me a bit about the town?
2. two big main companies: Sea France and P&O ferries
3. that's about it
4. The sea's surprisingly blue, for England.
5. But that's about all you can do...
6. There are parts of it that are nice.
7. Has it got a beach there?
8. Which is a bonus.

C. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 1

1. I think we should leave/live here.
2. I can see you're sinking/thinking.
3. I can see he's down/his town.
4. What a beautiful arbour/harbour!
5. Isn't that right/white?
6. Which side/sight are you talking about?
7. What a wonderful beach/peach!

D. Contractions

1. It's mainly just a harbour town.
2. there aren't many to see
3. that's about it
4. it wasn't sand
5. but you don't know if they're still cave entrances
6. unless you've got transport

E. Sentence stress

1. Now you used to live in Dover, I think?
2. It's mainly just a harbour town...
3. people go there to cross the Channel to France
4. you have the tour bus that goes round to see the sights of Dover
5. the castle's the main attraction
6. The view was nice.
7. But the beach was nothing special because it wasn't sand. It was stones.
8. There are parts of it that are nice.

F. Recognising individual words in a stream of speech

1. but there aren't many to see
2. But not in the winter.
3. So it wasn't too comfortable.
4. It was quite expensive.
5. There are parts of it that are nice.

H. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 2

1. right, light, right, light, right
2. man, man, main, man, main
3. buzz, bus, buzz, bus, buzz
4. view, view, phew, view, phew
5. bin, been, been, been, bin
6. still, still, steel, steel, still
7. while, whirl, while, whirl, while

I. Weak forms

1. I've never been to Dover.
2. not a lot of people there
3. basically people go there to cross the Channel
4. The sea's surprisingly blue, for England.
5. Now they talk about the White Cliffs of Dover.
6. A lot of restaurants.
7. You have the tour bus that goes round to see the sights of Dover.
8. If you just go over for the day, Calais's about as far as you can go.

J. Gap-fill – elision

1. Now you used to live in Dover, I think.
2. You have the tour bus that goes round to see the sights of Dover.
3. It just takes you round the, round the beach area...

Answer Key

4. If you just go over for the day, Calais's about as far as you can go.

5 Further Language Development

A. Extension exercise

1. I used to like sugar in my tea when I was young, but now I find it too sweet.
2. What is the population of London? Is it eight million?
3. The next ferry to Sweden leaves in half an hour.
4. There is a very nice sandy beach in Bournemouth which is wonderful for young children to play on.
5. I have a wonderful view of the sea from my office window.
6. These restaurants are all very expensive. Shall we go to a café instead?
7. My brother is a student at this college.
8. When the weather is very bad, most ships stay in the harbour.
9. I've got interviews next week with two different companies – one in Bristol and one in Birmingham.
10. I don't like swimming in the sea in this country because it's too cold. I prefer a swimming pool.
11. These stones hurt your feet, don't they? I wish I'd worn better shoes, but I didn't know we were going for a walk on the beach.

B. Introduction to the present perfect simple

1. I (live) have lived here since 2005.
2. Peter (lose) has lost 10 kilos since he started that diet.
3. Sorry, I (use) have used all the milk.
4. We (buy) have bought a new car!
5. I (finish) have finished my homework at last.
6. I (post) have posted your letter.
7. Phil and Sam (move) have moved to New York.
8. Oh no! Yuko (leave) has left her mobile phone behind.
9. I (decide) have decided to get a new job.
10. Is it true you (stop) have stopped eating meat?

C. Prepositions

1. I used to live in Chicago, but last year I moved to New York.
2. Tell me all about your holiday!

3. I can't come out tonight. I've got a lot of work to do.
4. My idea of a perfect holiday is lying on a beach with a good book.
5. It gets very cold here in the winter.
6. She's very grown-up for her age.
7. When we looked out of our window we saw the car was covered in snow.
8. Which part of Bulgaria do you come from?
9. We're going to Russia next month for a wedding.
10. Could you sit on the other side of Rachel?

D. Transformations

1. What subject are you (student) studying at university?
2. How much does it cost to go from Dover to Clair by (ferries) ferry?
3. I've got a wonderful (surprisingly) surprise for your birthday!
4. Our hotel was right next to a beautiful (sand) sandy beach.
5. I don't like going to London in the summer because it's always full of (tour) tourists.

Unit 2 – Catherine

1 Pre-Listening Comprehension

B. Normalisation – anticipating the next word

1. it has lots of visitors in summer
2. Lots of people go and watch it on a Saturday afternoon.
3. So can you see mountains from your house?
4. my friend loves to shop for clothes and things
5. Then I go out and meet a couple of my friends for coffee.

2 Listening Comprehension

A. Corrections

1. 'It's a little market town.'
2. Inigo Jones
3. 1636
4. in summer
5. in the autumn
6. on Saturdays
7. 'and fields [on] the other'

B. Gap-fill

1. Catherine can see mountains from the back of her house.
2. There are trees each side of the road from Llanrwst to Llandudno.
3. The road follows the river down to the sea.
4. There are beautiful hotels along the promenade in Llandudno.
5. Catherine goes to Llandudno at least once a week.

C. Questions

1. Asda
2. her friend
3. on Friday
4. It's a (little, tiny) pub
5. clothes
6. about half-past four

D. Corrections

1. 'And my poor husband is home doing the washing every week, which he loves.'
2. 'I do that first thing on a Saturday morning.'
3. for coffee
4. They meet from 11 to 12, i.e. one hour.

4 Further Listening Practice

A. Sentence stress

1. It's a pretty little town.
2. it has lots of visitors in summer
3. beautiful colour in the autumn
4. There's a nice bowling green there.
5. Yes, it's a very pleasant place to live.
6. we have a day out on a Friday, usually
7. We do our shopping in Asda.

C. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 1

1. This river/liver is wonderful!
2. You need a watch/wash.
3. My back/pack is hurting.
4. You do the shopping/chopping and I'll do the cooking.
5. What a lot of clothes/crows!
6. He's always washing/watching his car.
7. You must dry/try this.

D. Weak forms

1. What kind of place is it?
2. So can you see the mountains from your house?
3. So Llandudno is next to the sea, then...
4. Lots of people go and watch it on a Saturday afternoon.
5. What time do you come home from a day in Llandudno?
6. Then I go out and meet a couple of my friends for coffee.

F. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 2

1. town, down, town, down, town
2. hold, old, hold, hold, old
3. green, green, grin, green, grin
4. pack, pack, back, pack, back
5. very, ferry, very, ferry, very
6. nest, next, next, nest, next
7. called, cold, called, cold, cold

G. 'um' for pauses

1. And um, it has lots of visitors in summer.
2. And there's a putting place on the um, the other side of the river.
3. Um, and they play cricket there...
4. We meet in a little old-fashioned café called the Hên Aelwyd...um, only 11 till 12.

Answer Key

H. Recognising individual words in a stream of speech – dictation

1. It's a pretty little town.
2. It has lots of visitors in summer.
3. And they sell cream teas...
4. Lots of people go and watch it on a Saturday afternoon.
5. So can you see mountains from your house?
6. Do you go there quite often?
7. Does your husband do the ironing as well?
8. I do that first thing on a Saturday morning.
9. Then I go out and meet a couple of my friends for coffee.

J. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 3

1. build, built, build, built, built
2. team, team, Tim, Tim, team
3. live, leave, live, leave, leave
4. thirst, thirst, first, thirst, first
5. mitt, meet, mitt, mitt, meet
6. side, side, sight, side, sight
7. quite, quiet, quite, quiet, quite

K. Linking

1. Well, it's_a little market town.
2. It's_a pretty little town.
3. There's_a river flowing through it...
4. it has lots_of visitors_in summer
5. There's_a nice bowling green there.
6. Round the back_of it, yes, easily.
7. 'Queen of Resorts_of North Wales', they reckon.
8. Beautiful hotels_along the promenade...
9. Once_a week at least, yes.
10. And it's_usually dry and folded by the time I get home.

L. Gap-fill – elision

1. Well, it's a little market town.
2. and an old bridge...
3. There used to be tennis courts there.
4. Round the back of it, yes, easily.
5. Yes, it's a very pleasant place to live.
6. So Llandudno is next to the sea, then...
7. take my friend...
8. We'll have gone about ten in the morning.

5 Further Language Development

A. Extension exercise

1. A place which is bigger than a village, but smaller than a city is called a town.
2. The best place to go fishing in this river is near the old bridge.
3. My sister lives in a tiny old cottage in the country.
4. What colour is your new car?
5. In the summer I play tennis and in the winter I play squash.
6. Lots of people watch television before they go to work.
7. The highest mountains in Norway always have snow on them, even in summer.
8. There is a big field behind my friend's house which is full of sheep.
9. The River Conway flows into the sea at Llandudno.
10. They say hotels in New York are very expensive. Even a cheap one costs at least \$100 a night.
11. Your feet are tiny! Mine are twice as big as yours!
12. My husband and I share the housework.
13. This plant is very dry. Shall I give it some water?
14. I've never been to Turkey.
15. We always go shopping on Thursdays.
16. How long have you been living in this flat?

B. Gap-fill

Catherine: We do (1) our shopping in Asda Park there. Go up town. Park there again. Have (2) lunch in a little... little tiny pub (3) called the Cottage Loaf. And then we do the shopping at the main (4) street, for my friend (5) loves to shop for clothes and things. (*laughs*)

Interviewer: What time do you come (6) home from a day in Llandudno?

Catherine: Oh, about (7) half-past four. We'll have gone about 10 in the morning. And my poor (8) husband is home doing the (9) washing, every week, which he (10) loves. And it's usually dry and folded by the (11) time I get home.

Interviewer: Does your husband do the ironing as well?

Catherine: No, no, no. I do that (12) first thing on a Saturday morning. Then I go (13) out and meet a couple of my (14) friends for coffee.

Answer Key

C. The present simple and present continuous

1. Can you speak a bit louder? Adrian (cut) is cutting the grass and I can't hear you very well.
2. Normally I (do) do all the cooking at the weekend.
3. My sister (study) is studying to be a lawyer.
4. We (go) go to Canada at least twice a year.
5. I usually (start) start work at 9, but sometimes I (go) go in earlier.
6. Sarah (play) is playing in the garden. Shall I get her for you?
7. This train (go) is going really slowly. I'm sure we're going to be late.

D. Transformations

1. This is the (pretty) prettiest village I've ever seen.
2. Who is the (old) oldest of your brothers and sisters?
3. This (built) building wasn't here when I was a girl.
4. Don't forget to (covered) cover the fish with milk before cooking.
5. I drew the picture and then Daisy (colour) coloured it in. Isn't it great?
6. Who's your favourite football (play) player?
7. I'm (watch) watching a really interesting programme. Can I call you back?
8. I think you'll find it's (easily) easier to open if you take the plastic off.
9. The best (shopping) shops are at the other end of High Street.
10. I like her new boyfriend. He's much (friend) friendlier than her last one.
11. Can you seek a (park) parking space anywhere?

Answer Key

Unit 3 – Anders

1 Pre-Listening Comprehension

B. Normalisation – gap-fill

1. Anders came to Gothenburg to study at the university.
2. After his studies he got a job in Gothenburg.
3. He lives close to the water.
4. Gothenburg used to be famous for ship-building.
5. Sweden experienced a financial crisis in 1976.
6. The area where Anders lives was empty for a long time.

2 Listening Comprehension

A. Questions

1. a flat ('all of a sudden they started building er, flats, and er, luckily enough I, I live in one of those over there')
2. work ('you can actually take the ferry to work')
3. about 20 minutes
4. about four or five minutes

B. True/False

1. F – He says he can only see the water 'if I stand on my toes'.
2. T – He says it only takes 30 seconds to reach the waterfront.
3. F – The ferries go to Denmark and Germany, not Norway.
4. T – He says 'I see them more or less every day'.

C. Corrections

1. Åmål is about 200 miles north of Gothenburg. 200 kilometres north of Gothenburg.
2. It has around 50,000 inhabitants. 10 to 15,000 inhabitants.
3. Anders said it was possible to cycle anywhere in Åmål. 'you could walk anywhere'.
4. There was a big fire in Åmål in the 1800s. 'it was a wooden town, but it burnt down in the 1600s'.
5. There are still lots of wooden houses in Åmål from the old days. only a few of these houses left.
6. Lake Vänern is the biggest lake in Sweden. the second-biggest lake in Sweden.

D. Gap-fill

1. Anders goes to visit his mother in Åmål regularly.
2. He goes to see her in Åmål more often than she comes to visit him in Gothenburg.
3. This is because she's quite elderly and she finds it difficult to walk and to sit in a car or get on a train.
4. Anders and his mother often speak to each other on the phone.

4 Further Listening Practice

A. Recognising individual words in a stream of speech – dictation

1. They used to build ships in Gothenburg.
2. but I moved away from there when I was in my 20s
3. Can you see the water from where you live?
4. You had everything you needed.
5. Yes, I've still got my mother up there.
6. She's quite old and she finds it difficult to walk.

C. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 1

1. is, his, his, is, his
2. right, right, light, light, right
3. think, think, sink, sink, think
4. live, leave, live, leave, leave
5. hat, had, hat, had, hat

D. Contractions

1. and I've lived there ever since I started university...
2. It's about four or five minutes, so you can't complain.
3. That's quite nice.
4. the biggest ones don't go into town
5. they're too big
6. So you said it's 200 kilometres north of Gothenburg.
7. Yeah. That's the second-biggest er, lake in Sweden.
8. That's a bit confusing.
9. I've still got my mother up there...
10. she's quite old.

F. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 2

1. jeers, years, jeers, years, years
2. north, Norse, north, Norse, Norse
3. hold, old, hold, old, old

Answer Key

- back, pack, back, pack, back
- grew, grew, glue, grew, glue

G. Simplification – weak forms

- the western part of Sweden
- but I moved away from there when I was in my 20s
- I moved to Gothenburg.
- the area was empty for years and years
- and then all of a sudden they started building er, flats
- you can actually take the ferry to work
- nothing of that kind

I. Discriminating between minimal pairs of sounds 3

- rake, lake, lake, rake, lake
- still, still, steel, still, steel
- but, but, putt, putt, but
- set, said, set, said, said
- hall, all, hall, hall, all

J. Simplification – elision

- when I wanted to start my studies
- I moved to Gothenburg...
- I've lived there ever since I started university...
- it's about twenty/20 minutes
- you can't complain
- the biggest ones don't go into town
- Yeah. That's the second-biggest er, lake in Sweden.
- That's a bit confusing.
- Do you ever go back to Åmål?

5 Further Language Development

A. Extension exercise

- I'm going home – I'm really tired.
- That park over there is where I used to play football when I was a kid.
- We moved here two years ago because we wanted a home with a garden.
- I'm starving! I haven't had anything to eat since breakfast.
- I love swimming, but I hate going under the water.
- The Government is going to build another 100,000 homes for the needy over the next five years.
- I need to get some more petrol – the tank's nearly empty.

- We started off in Athens and then we took a ferry to a nearby island.
- I know it rained yesterday, but the weather's been wonderful for the past month or so, so we can't complain.
- The instructor began the lesson by telling us to bend over and touch our toes.
- We had the picnic under a tree because it was too hot to sit in the sun.
- I'm sorry – I've burnt the toast again.
- Is there any mashed potato left? I'm really hungry.
- At the top of the mountain there's a lake where you can go swimming or sailing in summer.
- The road signs were a bit confusing so I got lost twice, but I was only 20 minutes late.

B. Verbs in the simple past

- We (move) moved here in 2005.
- When I was young I (want) wanted to be a train driver when I (grow) grew up.
- I (stop) stopped eating meat when I (be) was 17.
- I (have) had to stay late at work yesterday because I (need) needed to finish a report.
- When I (be) was young I (can) could cycle up this hill without stopping!
- Where's Peter got to? He (say) said he would be here at eight.

C. Prepositions and adverbs

- Where do you come from?
- We live in north-east London.
- I haven't seen you for ages.
- Would you like some milk with your tea?
- Can you get your dog away from the food, please?
- I've been waiting for a bus since six o'clock.
- Come round to my place tonight and tell me all about your holiday.
- It's a beautiful house, but it's very near a main road, so there's always a lot of traffic noise, even at night.
- How far is it from your house to the town centre?
- I was walking along the street on my way to work when suddenly I walked into a lamp-post.
- I can see Notre Dame Cathedral from my office window!
- Someone stood on my toe on the subway and now it's black and blue.

Answer Key

13. I walked up and down the market for hours yesterday looking for strawberries.
14. Brighton is about 60 miles south of London on the south coast.
15. This garden reminds me of the one my grandmother had when I was growing up.
16. I need to go back home. I think I left the window open.
17. My son's always on his mobile phone these days.

Answer Key

Unit 4 – Jackie

2 Listening Comprehension

Gap-fill

1. Carlyon Bay is right on the coast.
2. Jackie and her husband live up the fields from a small village.
3. There is a beautiful harbour below them.
4. It's called Charlestown Harbour.
5. They keep 'tall ships' down in the harbour.
6. These are very old ships which they use when they make films.
7. They filmed 'Mansfield Park' near where Jackie lives, and the last Three Musketeers film.
8. Near the harbour there is also a beach.
9. There are beautiful sandy beaches all around Carlyon Bay.
10. Jackie says the whole area is wonderful, but very touristy.
11. A lot of people come to Cornwall on holiday.
6. We're just been to that new Mexican restaurant. It was brilliant!
7. What's your new manager like? Do you get on with her?
8. We live about five minutes from the train station, so we can pick you up if you like.
9. My best friend lives down the road, so we see a lot of each other.
10. My cousin has travelled all over the world.

3 Further Language Development

A. Extension exercise

1. I've never been to Sweden. What's it like?
2. Come you tell me what you did at school today.
3. I grew up in a little village in the country, but I moved to London when I was 20.
4. The place we were staying in was right next to a harbour full of little fishing boats.
5. I think they should make a film about your life. You've done so many interesting things.
6. I prefer sandy beaches to ones with stones.
7. There are lots of sheep in the fields behind our house.
8. My favourite city in the world is Munich.
9. That's the last time I lend you any money!
10. Shall we invite Anders as well?

B. Prepositions and adverbs

1. Which US state is Boston in? Is it Massachusetts?
2. We're going on holiday to Switzerland next week.
3. We've got a little holiday cottage on the west coast of Scotland.
4. This is the best knife for peeling potatoes.
5. When I have a day off I love walking around the shops.

Unit 5 – Tammy

1 Pre-Listening Comprehension

Normalisation

1. Chilliwack is a very small town outside Vancouver.
2. It's surrounded by mountains, rivers and lakes.
3. It's a very pretty farming community.
4. Chilliwack is about 65 miles from Vancouver.

2 Listening Comprehension

Gap-fill

1. Tammy says Vancouver is a really pretty city.
2. It's surrounded by mountains.
3. It overlooks the ocean and the bay.
4. The University of British Columbia is on a peninsula.
5. English Bay is where all the ships wait to come into the harbour.
6. Vancouver has some beautiful bridges.
7. The Lion's Gate Bridge begins in Stanley Park.
8. This is in the heart of Vancouver.
9. The Lion's Gate Bridge ends on the North Shore.
10. All the rich people live there in their big, fancy houses.
11. There are two ski hills in Vancouver: The Cypress Bowl and Grouse Mountain.
12. They have night skiing there all winter.
13. The oldest part of Vancouver is called Gastown.
14. The oldest hotel in Vancouver is about 70 years old.

3 Further Language Development

A. Extension exercise

1. What's your cat called?
2. Shall I wait outside in the car?
3. My father grew up in Southampton, but he moved to Bristol when he was 18.
4. Could I just have a small piece of cake, please? I'm not very hungry.
5. Can you wait for me? I just need to change my shoes.
6. There's a little park near us where the kids play football on Saturdays.
7. You know what they say – cold hands, warm heart!

8. They're not rich, but they have enough money to live comfortably.
9. We had loads of snow last winter.

B. Prepositions and adverbs

1. I think children grow up too quickly these days.
2. They live in a little village surrounded by hills.
3. Why don't you come in out of the cold?
4. How long does it take you to get home from work?
5. She's got a wonderful apartment in the centre of Washington DC.
6. If you stand in our kitchen you get a beautiful view across to the other side of the valley.
7. Do you get lots of rain here in winter?
8. This restaurant is just as nice as the Peking Chef and it's half as expensive.
9. I left Martin at home because he isn't feeling at all well.