

**Grammar revision** 

Question formation

Life words

# Lesson 1

#### 1. Jumbled sentences

In this activity the students revise structures and vocabulary they learned at Level 3. There are two ways to do this activity.

- Give out **LCF-Adults-part02-L01-Act01-FC.pdf**. Students can work individually or in pairs and follow the instructions on the sheet.
- As a competition. Write out each sentence with the words carefully spaced. Cut up the sentences and put each of them in to a small envelope. Some sentences are more difficult than others. Divide the class into pairs. Give each pair two envelopes (or one envelope with two sentences kept separate). The pair to correctly assemble both sentences first and read them out is the winning team. Go through all the sentences on the board and help the students with more examples if they need them.

# 2. Vocabulary – Life words.

In this activity students learn words connected to the "rites of passage". They will hear some of them in context in activity 4.

- i. Students work with Student Book 2 Page 1.
- ii. Students check any new words and fill in the "clouds".
- iii. Go through the answers and any queries as a class.

The answers are:

### Birth

cards, church, happy, family, party congratulations, priest/vicar, be born, parents, birthday, baptism/christening, birth certificate, guests

# Marriage

cards, church, happy, family, party, congratulations, flowers, priest/vicar, get married, parents, service, wedding, guests, reception, anniversary, bride, bridegroom, cake, marriage certificate, registry office, honeymoon, divorce

### Death

cards, church, sad, family, priest/vicar, die, service, funeral, death certificate, mourners, sympathy, cemetery

## 3. Revision of question formation

The students are going to hear Roger talking about how he met his first wife, his marriage and what followed.

- i. Ask the students for all the question words and question forms that they know and put them on the board.
- ii. Students write as many questions as they can about Roger's story before they hear it

### For example:

How long has Roger been married?
What is his wife's name?
Where did they meet?
Who introduced them?
How many times has he been married? Etc...

iii. Check their questions as they are writing them. Go through any common errors as a group.

# 4. • Listening – CD – 01Roger-Talks-About-Cathy

You may want to pre teach the new vocabulary before the students listen.

New vocabulary:

the 70's unlucky

save rain cats and dogs (rain heavily)

love at first sight marzipan got friendly seaside impulsive settle down

persuade keep

desk drawer

Do the new items give the students any clues to the answers to their questions?

- i. The first time they listen, students take note of all the life words they hear.
- ii. Listen to the recording a second time. This time students listen for the answers to their questions and write the answers in full sentences.
- iii. Listen again if the students need it.
- iv. Check their answers and their comprehension by retelling the story around the class. Each student gives one statement until the story is concluded.

# For example:

Roger went to Australia in the 70's...

He worked in a bar to earn some money...

# Transcript: Listen to Roger talk about Cathy.

(Reflectively) Today is my wedding <u>anniversary</u>. Have I ever told you about Cathy? You know I travelled a lot in the '80s? Well, one summer I went to Australia. It was winter there, but it was lovely and sunny! I stayed in Sydney for two months. That's where I met Cathy. I worked in her Uncle's pub for a few weeks to save enough money for my ticket home. I fell in love with her at first sight. We got friendly and went out together on a Saturday and Sunday night, and on Monday morning I asked her to marry me! Gosh, I was so young and impulsive!

She wanted to <u>get married</u> in Sydney, but I knew my parents were too old to travel to Australia, so I persuaded her to get married in England. The <u>wedding</u> was in a village church and the <u>vicar</u> was an old friend of my father. All my old student friends came to the <u>service</u>. Many of them were wearing a suit for the first time! Never mind, they brought lots of <u>flowers</u> – most of them were old hippies! People say it's unlucky to get married in the rain. It rained cats and dogs that day, but we had a wonderful time. The <u>reception</u> was in a little country pub with about 30 guests, and we had a small wedding <u>cake</u> made by my old girlfriend, Maggie. The cake had a <u>bride</u> and <u>bridegroom</u> on the top, made from marzipan. I've never liked marzipan. Never mind! We went on our <u>honeymoon</u> to the seaside. It didn't stop raining till the very last day.

We tried to settle down in England, but I got bored and Cathy didn't like the North. She said it was cold and dull. And she hated the rain. She went home to Australia about three years after the wedding. We got <u>divorced</u> in 1989, just before I went out to Africa. I still have the old <u>marriage certificate</u> in my desk drawer. She was a lovely girl! Cathy has never come back to England but we are still good friends. Last week I sent a card for her daughter's birthday.

### Note:

Because students are unfamiliar with the future perfect tense, it is not used in this monologue. As he is now divorced, Roger would most probably say, "today would have been my wedding anniversary". Here, however, he uses the present simple tense.

### 5. Life words definitions

To revise the vocabulary introduced in activity 2.

- i. Ask each student to choose five or six of the words from the worksheet in activity2
- ii. Individually, they write definitions for each of the words they chose.
- iii. In pairs students 'test' each other by giving the definitions and asking for an answer.

### 6. Homework

Choose ten new words from today's lesson and write a definition for each one.

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LESSON 1 REFERENCE SHEET
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Marriage
cards, church, happy, family, party, congratulations, flowers, priest/vicar, get married, parents, service, wedding, guests, reception, anniversary, bride, bridegroom, cake, marriage certificate, registry office, honeymoon, divorce
Death
cards, church, sad, family, priest/vicar, die, service, funeral, death certificate, mourners, sympathy, cemetery
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