

Scheme of Work Conversation Classes (CL4)

Course Length: 48 Lessons **Lesson Length:** 100 minutes

Course Aims: (adapted from the CEFR 'Can do' statements for)

By the end of the course students will be able to

- Understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation.
- Interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party.
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- Take an active part in discussion in familiar contexts, accounting for and sustaining my views.
- Present clear, detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects related to my field of interest.
- Explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.

• Course Outline

<u>Lesson/ (Unit)</u>	<u>Topic/ Lexical focus</u>	<u>Course Book Materials</u>	<u>Supplementary Materials</u>	<u>Materials</u> CB - Coursebook
1. (1)	<u>Entertainment</u>	Speaking: discussing places for reading Listening: speakers answering questions about TV/reading habits. Vocabulary: describing films, music and books.	The 1990s to today. Customs & Lifestyle in the UK & Ireland. P.34	CB pp.6-9
2. (1)		Speaking: discussing quotations about art; discussing paintings.	1. Habits and Memories (TB-p.253)	CB pp.10-11

		Vocabulary: talking about art. Listening: listening to an art gallery guide.		
3. (1)		Reading: an article about predictable endings. Listening: a description of a plot.	Movies and Entertainment, Speak English for Success. p.23	CB pp.12-13
Study Skills Advice (1)		Grammar Review: Entertainment		CB pp.166-167
4. (2)	<u>Sightseeing</u>	Speaking: discussing the famous places. Vocabulary: buildings and areas. Listening: two people describing a drive through Sarajevo.	Travel and Tourism, Empower B2. P.214	CB pp.14-17
5. (2)		Vocabulary: festivals and carnivals. Reading: an email about the Venice Carnival.	Festivals, Customs & Lifestyle in UK and Ireland. Pp.50-51	CB pp.18-19
6. (2)		Speaking: ranking places to visit Listening: matching texts with places. Speaking: discussing the importance of different features with regard to the future.	Video: a Chinese artist in Harlem.	CB pp.20-21
Study Skills Advice (2)		Grammar Review: Sightseeing Writing: Giving Advice		CB pp.167-168 CB pp.150-151
7. (3)	<u>Things You Need</u>	Speaking: discussing fixing	In Case of Emergency, Speak English for Success. P.25	CB pp.20-21

		things; improvising. Vocabulary: useful things Grammar: explaining purpose		
8. (3)		Speaking: forming questions Reading: a blog about a collector. Vocabulary: word families	2. What Do You Call it? (TB.p.255)	CB pp. 28-29
9. (3)		Vocabulary: How things go wrong. Listening: a radio show about consumer rights. Grammar: should/should have Speaking: discussing when things went wrong.	Responsibilities, Discussions A-Z Intermediate. Pp.76-79	CB pp. 30-31
Study Skills Advice (3)		Grammar Review: Things You Need		CB pp.169-170
10. (4)	<u>Society</u>	Speaking: discussing a situation depicted in a photo. Vocabulary: the government economics and society. Listening: two students discussing the political and economic situation in each country.	Major World Issues; Speak English for Success. P.26	CB pp.32-33
11. (4)		Speaking: ranking social issues. Listening: five short new stories.	3. Making A Case (p.256)	CB pp.36-37

12. (4) (test)		Reading: an article about worldwide issues. Grammar: the...,the... Speaking: discussing ways of raising money	Video – wood powered car. Progress test: Assessment of Students progress	Pp38-40 Progress Test
Study Skills) Advice (4)		Grammar Review: Society Writing: Letters of Complaint		CB pp.170-171 CB pp.152-153
13. (5)	<u>Sports and Interests</u>	Speaking: discussing free time activities. Listening: three conversations about free time activities Vocabulary: health and fitness.	Rugby Mania, Customs and Lifestyles in the UK and Ireland pp.28-29	CB pp.43-45
14 (5)		Listening: a conversation about free time activities. Vocabulary: sport Reading: four people discussing sport.	Words Connected with Sport (3B), Empower B2 Teachers' Book. p.209	CB pp. 46-47
15. (5)		Listening: three people discussing a health and fitness fanatic. Grammar: The present perfect continuous and simple.	4. Excuses, Excuses (p.257)	CB pp.48-49
Study Skills Advice (5)		Grammar Review: Sports and Interests		CB pp.170-171
16. (6)	<u>Accommodation</u>	Speaking: discussing the advantages and disadvantages of different forms of accommodation.	British Customs, Customs and Lifestyles in the UK and Ireland. pp. 82-83 Houses: Film and TV, Empower B2 Teachers; Book. p.217	CB pp.40-41

		Vocabulary: where you stayed. Listening: two conversations about places people have stayed in Developing conversations: negative questions		
17. (6)		Listening: four conversations about problems with accommodation. Vocabulary: idioms	5. The Perfect Flatmate (p.258)	CB pp. 54-55
18. (6)		Reading: emails from an émigré Listening: a radio programme about culture shock.	Video. Capoeira – The fighting dance.	CB pp56-58
Study Skills Advice (6)		Grammar Review: Accommodation Writing: A leaflet or Poster		CB pp.172-173 CB pp.154-155
19. (7)	<u>Nature</u>	Speaking: discussing a bad weather situation Vocabulary: the weather. Listening: two people discussing extreme weather.	5B: The Natural World, Empower Teachers' Book. p.213	CB pp.62-63
20. (7)		Speaking: discussing statements. Reading: jigsaw reading about sport/charity.	Miscellaneous Questions, Speak English for Success. p.27	CB pp.64-65
21. (7)		Listening: five conversations about plants Vocabulary: the different meaning of words.	6. An Epic Journey (p.259)	CB pp.66-67
Study Skills		Grammar Review: Nature		CB p.174

Advice (7)				
22. (8)	<u>Crime and Punishment</u>	Speaking: discussing counterfeit goods; Vocabulary: crimes Listening: three conversations about crimes.	Crime, Speak English for Success. p.24	CB pp.68-71
23. (8)		Vocabulary: crime and punishment Speaking: discussing crime shows Listening: a radio feature about a film	7. Brain teasers (p.260) Crime (8B), Empower B2 Teachers Book. p.219	CB pp.72-73
24. (8)		Reading: a form of policing. Vocabulary: trends and statistics.	Progress test: Assessment of Students progress	CB pp. 74-75 Progress Test
Study Skills Advice (8)		Grammar Review: Crime and Punishment Writing: Stories		CB pp.174-175 CB pp.156-157
25. (9)	<u>Careers and Studying</u>	Speaking: what discussing types of work. Vocabulary: working life Listening: a conversation about a job.	8. Are you a risk taker at work? (TB p.261)	CB pp78-81
26. (9)		Speaking: discuss working in your native country. Reading: a text about first jobs.	Wordpower: Empower Teachers' Book. P.224	CB pp.82-83
27. (9)		Listening: an introduction to a presentation. Vocabulary: presentations.	School, Discussions A-Z Intermediate. p.80	CB pp.84-85

		Speaking: plan and deliver a short presentation.		
Study Skills Advice (9)		Grammar Review: Careers and Studying		CB pp.176-177
28. (10)	<u>Socialising</u>	Speaking: discussing celebratory days; arranging to meet. Vocabulary: celebrating Listening: three friends planning a celebration.	Meeting Up, Customs and Lifestyles in the UK and Ireland. pp.46-47	CB pp.86-89
29. (10)		Reading: faux pas. Vocabulary: making mistakes Speaking: embarrassment	What are up to? (TB p.262) Character adjectives (1A), Empower B2 Teachers' Book. p.204	CB pp.90-91
30. (10)		Speaking: making small talk; Listening: matching conversations to situations. Vocabulary: talking about parties.	Video: The Real Indiana Jones	CB pp. 92-94
Study Skills Advice (10)		Grammar Review: Socialising Writing: Personal Statements		CB p.177 CB pp.158-159
31. (11)	<u>Transport and Travel</u>	Speaking: Discussing excursions Vocabulary: problems when renting. Listening: a conversation in a car rental office.	Places to go, Customs and Lifestyles in the UK and Ireland. p.44	CB pp.98-99
32. (11)		Speaking: discussing long journeys. Reading: three journeys.	Travel and Tourism (6A), Empower B2 Teachers' Book, p.214	CB pp.100-101

		Grammar: uncountable nouns.		
33. (11)		Vocabulary: driving Listening: two people discussing driving problems Speaking: discussing a transport questionnaire.	9. Weird Traffic Laws p.263	CB pp.102-103
Study Skills Advice (11)		Grammar Review: Transport and Travel		CB pp.178-179
34. (12)	<u>Health and Medicine</u>	Speaking: discussing illness and medicine; passing on messages Vocabulary: health problems. Listening: two telephone conversations about health problems.	12. Good Health (p.264)	CB pp.103-107
35. (12)		Vocabulary: parts of the body and operations Listening: a programme about medical tourism.	Healthy Habits, Speak English for Success. p.15	CB pp.108-109
36. (12)		Reading: humour as medicine Speaking: discussing, comparing and telling jokes.	<u>Video:</u> Wild Health Progress test: Assessment of Students progress	CB pp.110-112 Progress Test
Study Skills Advice (12)		Grammar Review: Health and Medicine Writing: Reports		CB p.179 CB pp.160-161
37. (13)	<u>Life Changing Events</u>	Speaking: discussing first day at school; showing uncertainty. Vocabulary: life-changing events	Ability and Achievement (3A) Empower B2 Teachers Book. P.208	CB pp.116-117.

		Listening: two people gossip.		
38. (13)		Speaking: confrontation; Grammar: be always/constantly. Reading: a wiki page about managing conflict.	13. Special Days and Special People (p.265)	CB pp.118-119
39. (13)		Speaking: discussing events in a country. Listening: people discussing ceremonies or rites. Vocabulary: values and concepts.	Describing Change (6B), Empower B2 Teachers' Book. P.215	CB pp.120-121
Study Skills Advice (13)		Grammar Review: Life-Changing Events		CB pp.180-181
40. (14)	<u>Banks and Money</u>	Speaking: discussing money Vocabulary: money troubles. Listening: two conversations involving problems with money	14. Money and Other Regrets (p.266)	CB pp.124-125
41. (14)		Speaking: discussing Chinese proverbs connected to money. Reading: a fable about money.	8A Money and Finance. Empower Teachers Book. P.218	CB pp.126-127
42. (14)		Speaking: discussing lotteries; pronouncing statistics. Vocabulary: metaphor.	Video: Nubian wedding	CB pp. 128-130
Study Skills Advice (14)		Grammar Review: Banks and Money		CB p.181 CB pp.162-163

		Writing: Arguing your case		
43. (15)	<u>Food</u>	Speaking: discussing cooking, preparing a specific meal Vocabulary: food and cooking Listening: a woman describing how a meal is made.	15. Call My Bluff p.267	CB pp.133-135
44. (15)		Speaking: cookery programmes, films and blogs. Vocabulary: prefixes.	Global Food, Customs & Lifestyle in the UK and Ireland. Pp.76-77	CB pp.136-137
45. (15)		Vocabulary: food in the news Listening: four news stories about food.	As (unit 4), Empower Teachers' Book. P.27	CB pp. 138-139
46. (15)	<u>Business</u>	Speaking: discussing working in business; using would to show formality. Vocabulary: reasons for phoning. Listening: a conversation between two colleagues	Jobs and Employment, Speak English For Success. P.14	CB pp. 140-143
Study Skills Advice (15)		Grammar Review: Food		CB p.182
47. (16)		Speaking: discussing running your own business; discussing farming. Vocabulary: building up a business Reading: Characteristics of	16. Why Should You Have It? (p.268)	CB pp.145-146

		successful people.		
48. (16)		Speaking: discussing reality TV shows. Listening: a radio programme about reality TV. Vocabulary: business collocations	Video: The black diamonds of Provence. Progress test: Assessment of Students progress	CB pp. 118-119 Progress Test
Study Skills Advice (16)		Grammar Review: Business Writing: Formal and informal emails		CB p.183 CB pp.164-165