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**Speakout Advanced
Second Edition**

**Alignment with the Global Scale
of English and Common European
Framework of Reference**

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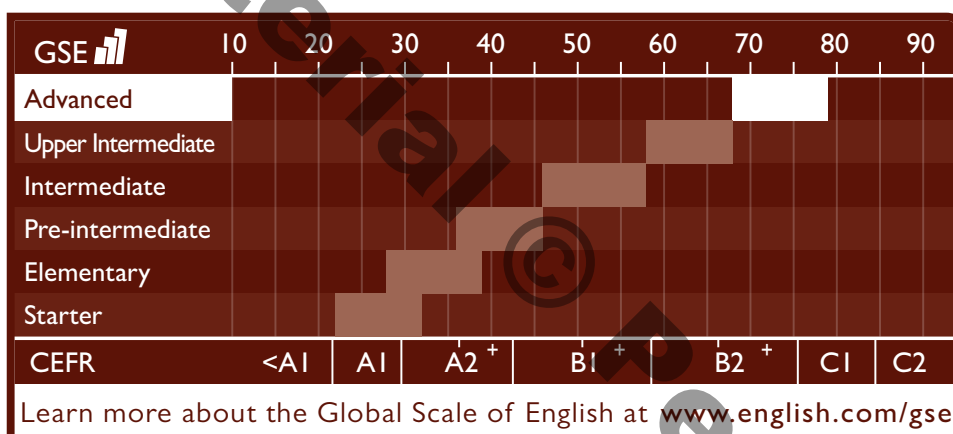
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Unit One ORIGINS

Lesson 1.1 What's in a name?

Grammar The continuous aspect

Vocabulary Phrases with *name*

Pronunciation Unstressed auxiliary verbs

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can scan a long text or set of related texts in order to find specific information (CA)	B2	60	9
Listening				
Speaking	Can engage in extended conversation in a clearly participatory fashion on most general topics (CA)	B2	61	8
	Can summarise a wide range of texts, discussing contrasting points and main themes (CA)	B2	66	8
Writing				

Lesson 1.2 What are you like?

Grammar Describing habits

Vocabulary Personality; idioms for people

Pronunciation stressed/unstressed *will/would*

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand most of a radio programme about a familiar topic (CA)	B2	59	12
Speaking	Can manage discussion on familiar topics confirming comprehension, inviting others in, etc. (CA)	B2	65	11
	Can develop an argument giving reasons in support of or against a particular point of view (N2000)	B2	63	13
Writing	Can convey information and ideas on abstract and concrete topics (CA)	B2	66	10

Lesson 1.3 Picture perfect

Function Speculating

Vocabulary Images

Pronunciation Connected speech: linking, elision

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	14
Speaking	Can exchange information on a wide range of topics within their field with some confidence (CA)	B2	59	15
	Can express views clearly and evaluate hypothetical proposals in informal discussions (CA)	B2	64	15
Writing				

Lesson 1.4 Francesco's Venice

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	14
Speaking	Can give clear, detailed descriptions of real or imaginary places (CA)	B2	63	17
Writing	Can write detailed descriptions of real or imaginary places (P)	B2	63	17

Unit Two OPINION

Lesson 2.1 Words of wisdom

Grammar Hypothetical conditional: past
Vocabulary Learning and experience; metaphors
Pronunciation Double contractions

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can scan a long text or set of related texts in order to find specific information (CA)	B2	60	20
Listening				
Speaking	Can justify and sustain views clearly by providing Relevant explanations and arguments (CA)	B2	60	21
Writing				

Lesson 2.2 Changing your mind

Grammar Verb patterns
Vocabulary Collocations: opinions
Pronunciation Word stress

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can extract the main points from news items etc with opinions, argument and discussion (CA)	B2	65	23
Speaking	Can develop an argument giving the reasons in support of or against a particular point of view (N2000)	B2	63	24
Writing	Can systematically develop an argument giving reasons for or against a point of view (P)	B2+	67	25

Lesson 2.3 Who do you trust?

Function introducing opinions
Vocabulary Idioms of opinion
Pronunciation Intonation for emphasis

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand the main points from news items etc. with opinions, arguments and discussion (CA)	B2	65	27
Speaking	Can speculate about the causes of an issue or problem (CA)	B2+	67	26
	Can develop an argument with appropriate highlighting of significant points and relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	75	27
Writing				

Lesson 2.4 Chess master

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	28
Speaking	Can develop an argument with appropriate highlighting of significant points and relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	75	29
Writing	Can systematically develop an argument giving the reasons for or against a point of view (P)	B2+	67	29

Unit Three PLACES

Lesson 3.1 Lonely planet

Grammar Noun phrases

Vocabulary Landscapes

Pronunciation Word stress; compound nouns/adjectives

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can summarise, comment on and discuss a wide range of factual and imaginative texts (CA)	B2	66	32
Listening				
Speaking	Can narrate a story in detail, giving relevant information about feelings and reactions (P)	B2+	67	32
Writing				

Lesson 3.2 Home from home

Grammar Relative clauses

Vocabulary -y adjectives; prefixes

Pronunciation Long/short vowels

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand main points and check comprehension by using contextual clues (CA)	B2	64	35
Speaking				
Writing	Can write a structured text clearly signalling main points and supporting details (P)	B2	62	34

Lesson 3.3 Welcome to perfect city

Function Making a proposal

Vocabulary City life

Pronunciation Shifting stress: suffixes

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand the main points of complex and abstract presentations in their field (CA)	B2+	71	38
Speaking	Can give clear presentations highlighting significant points with relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	70	39
Writing				

Lesson 3.4 London

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	40
Speaking	Can give clear presentations highlighting significant points with relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	70	41
Writing	Can write a detailed, reasoned argument for or against a case (N2007A)	B2+	72	41

Unit Four JUSTICE

Lesson 4.1 Fight for justice

Grammar Introductory *it*

Vocabulary Crime collocations; lexical chunks

Pronunciation Pauses and chunking

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can summarise, comment on and discuss a wide range of factual and imaginative texts (CA)	B2	66	44
Listening				
Speaking	Can speculate about causes, consequences, hypothetical situations (N2000)	B2	64	44
Writing				

Lesson 4.2 Social issues

Grammar The perfect aspect

Vocabulary Social issues

Pronunciation Stress patterns

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	48
Speaking	Can express views clearly and evaluate hypothetical proposals in informal discussions (CA)	B2	64	48
Writing	Can compare and evaluate ideas in a structured and logical text (P)	B2	66	49

Lesson 4.3 Do the right thing

Function Expressing hypothetical preferences

Vocabulary Decisions

Pronunciation Intonation: adding emphasis

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening				
Speaking	Can speculate about causes, consequences, hypothetical situations (N2000)	B2	64	51
Writing				

Lesson 4.4 The con artist

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can extract the main points from news items etc with opinions, argument and discussion (CA)	B2	65	52
Speaking	Can express views clearly and evaluate hypothetical proposals in formal discussions (CA)	B2	64	53
Writing	Can write clear, detailed descriptions on a variety of subjects related to their field of interest (C)	B2+	67	53

Unit Five SECRETS

Lesson 5.1 Family secrets

Grammar Modal verbs and related phrases

Vocabulary Idioms: secrets

Pronunciation Connected speech: elision

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can extract key information from a group discussion on unfamiliar abstract or complex topics in which they are not a participant (N2007A)	B2+	72	56
Speaking	Can compare the advantages and disadvantages of possible approaches and solutions to an issue or problem (CA)	B2+	70	56
Writing	Can structure longer complex texts using a range of cohesive devices (P)	B2+	74	58

Lesson 5.2 Truth or myth?

Grammar The passive

Vocabulary Truth or myth; multi-word verbs

Pronunciation Stress: multi-word verbs

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can summarise, comment on and discuss a wide range of factual and imaginative texts (CA)	B2	66	59
Listening				
Speaking	Can express attitudes using linguistically complex language (P)	B2+	75	61
Writing				

Lesson 5.3 Tell me no lies

Function Making a point

Vocabulary Journalism

Pronunciation Intonation: appropriacy

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	62
Speaking	Can initiate, maintain and end discourse naturally with effective turn-taking (CA)	B2+	68	63
	Can manage discussion on familiar topics confirming comprehension, inviting others in etc.	B2	65	63
	Can relate their own contribution skilfully to those of other speakers (C)	B2+	73	63
Writing				

Lesson 5.4 Secret island

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	64
Speaking	Can narrate a story in detail, giving relevant information about feelings and reactions (P)	B2+	67	65
Writing	Can convey information and ideas on abstract and concrete topics (CA)	B2+	70	65

Unit Six TRENDS

Lesson 6.1 Future gazing

Grammar Future forms

Vocabulary Predictions

Pronunciation Connected speech: auxiliary verbs

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can infer what will come next in an unstructured text by using contextual, grammatical and lexical clues (P)	B2+	68	68
Listening				
Speaking	Can speculate about causes, consequences, hypothetical situations (N2000)	B2	64	70
Writing				

Lesson 6.2 A global language?

Grammar Concession clauses

Vocabulary Language

Pronunciation Intonation: concession clauses

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	71
Speaking	Can express attitudes using linguistically complex language (P)	B2+	75	72
Writing	Can write a concise summary of the main ideas of a longer structured text (P)	B2+	64	73

Lesson 6.3 Trendsetters

Function Describing cause and effect

Vocabulary Trends

Pronunciation Connected speech: swallowed sounds

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand cause and effect relationships in informal conversation at natural speed (P)	B2+	69	74
Speaking	Can give well-structured, detailed presentations on a wide range of familiar subjects (CA)	B2+	71	75
Writing				

Lesson 6.4 Tech trends

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand most TV news and current affairs programmes (C)	B2+	72	76
	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	77
Speaking	Can develop an argument with appropriate highlighting of significant points and relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	75	77
Writing	Can convey information and ideas on abstract and concrete topics (CA)	B2+	70	77

Unit Seven FREEDOM

Lesson 7.1 The great escape

Grammar Cleft sentences

Vocabulary Collocations

Pronunciation Word stress: suffixes

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can understand inferred meaning in a formal structured text (P)	B2+	70	80
Listening				
Speaking	Can compare the advantages and disadvantages of possible approaches and solutions to an issue or problem (CA)	B2+	70	82
Writing				

Lesson 7.2 Switching off

Grammar Participle clauses

Vocabulary Idioms: relaxing

Pronunciation Word stress: idioms

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	83
Speaking	Can develop an argument with appropriate highlighting of significant points and relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	75	84
Writing	Can write relevant subheadings to structure longer more complex texts (P)	B2+	67	85

Lesson 7.3 Free to make mistakes

Function Exchanging opinions

Vocabulary Risk

Pronunciation Polite tone

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can infer attitude and mood in discussions by using contextual, grammatical and lexical clues (CA)	B2+	71	86
Speaking	Can express attitudes using linguistically complex language (P)	B2+	75	87
	Can present their ideas with precision and respond to complex lines of argument convincingly (CA)	B2+	70	87
Writing				

Lesson 7.4 Gandhi

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand most TV news and current affairs programmes (C)	B2+	72	88
	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	89
Speaking	Can give clear presentations highlighting significant points with relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	70	89
Writing	Can develop a clear description or narrative with relevant supporting detail and examples (CA)	B2+	65	89

Unit Eight TIME

Lesson 8.1 History in a box

Grammar Future in the past

Vocabulary Time expressions; proverbs

Pronunciation Rhythm: proverbs

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can quickly scan long, complex texts for key information (P)	B2+	69	92
Listening				
Speaking	Can give clear, detailed descriptions on a wide range of familiar subjects (CA)	B2	66	94
Writing				

Lesson 8.2 I remember...

Grammar Ellipsis and substitution

Vocabulary Memories

Pronunciation Connected speech

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand in detail discussions on abstract and complex topics among speakers with a variety of accents and dialects (CA)	C2	88	95
Speaking	Can narrate a story in detail, giving relevant information about feelings and reactions (P)	B2+	67	96
Writing	Can use linguistically complex vocabulary and structures to enhance impact of academic reports and essays (P)	C1	82	96
	Can develop a clear written description or narrative with relevant supporting detail and examples (CA)	B2	65	96

Lesson 8.3 Time savers

Function Discussing ideas

Vocabulary Collocations with *time*

Pronunciation Word stress: phrases

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand the main points of complex academic/professional presentations (CA)	B2+	72	98
Speaking	Can relate their own contribution skilfully to those of other speakers (C)	B2+	73	99
Writing				

Lesson 8.4 Wonders of the universe

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	100
Speaking	Can contribute fluently and naturally to a conversation about a complex or abstract topic (P)	C1	79	101
Writing	Can convey information and ideas on abstract and concrete topics (CA)	B2+	70	101

Unit Nine INSPIRATION

Lesson 9.1 Icons

Grammar Tenses for unreal situations

Vocabulary Adjectives: the arts

Pronunciation Irregular spellings

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can understand inferred meaning in a formal structured text (P)	B2+	70	104
Listening				
Speaking	Can contribute fluently and naturally to a conversation about a complex or abstract topic (P)	C1	79	106
	Can present their ideas with precision and respond to complex lines of argument convincingly (CA)	B2+	70	106
Writing				

Lesson 9.2 Feeling inspired

Grammar Adverbials

Vocabulary Ideas

Pronunciation Pronunciation: 'o'

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can extract key information from a group discussion on unfamiliar abstract or complex topics in which they are not a participant (N2007A)	B2+	72	107
Speaking	Can contribute fluently and naturally to a conversation about a complex or abstract topic (P)	C1	79	109
Writing	Can write a detailed critical review of cultural events (e.g. plays, films, concerts or literary works) (P)	C1	77	109

Lesson 9.3 Love it or hate it

Function Ranting/raving

Vocabulary Express yourself

Pronunciation Positive/negative intonation

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	110
Speaking	Can express attitudes using linguistically complex language (P)	B2+	75	111
Writing				

Lesson 9.4 An unusual philanthropist

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow a wide range of factual and creative texts and summarise themes and opinions (CA)	B2+	70	112
Speaking	Can present their ideas with precision and respond to complex lines of argument convincingly (CA)	B2+	70	113
Writing	Can confidently argue a case in writing, specifying needs and objectives precisely and justifying them as necessary (N2007A)	C1	81	113

Unit Ten HORIZONS

Lesson 10.1 On the road

Grammar Inversion

Vocabulary Collocations

Pronunciation Stress/unstress

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can understand complex arguments in newspaper articles (P)	C1	79	116
Listening				
Speaking	Can contribute to group discussions even when speech is fast and colloquial (CA)	C1	76	117
	Can present their ideas with precision and respond to complex lines of argument convincingly (CA)	B2+	70	117
Writing				

Lesson 10.2 Dreams come true?

Grammar Comparative structures

Vocabulary Ambition

Pronunciation Intonation: emphasis; rhythm

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading	Can understand complex arguments in newspaper articles (P)	C1	79	121
Listening	Can infer attitude and mood in discussions by using contextual, grammatical and lexical clues (CA)	B2+	71	120
Speaking	Can speculate about causes, consequences, hypothetical situations (N2000)	B2	64	119
	Can express attitudes using linguistically complex language (P)	B2+	75	121
Writing	Can systematically develop an argument giving the reasons for and against a point of view (P)	B2+	67	121

Lesson 10.3 Making a plan

Function Negotiating

Vocabulary Negotiation

Pronunciation Polite intonation

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can understand the main points of complex academic/professional presentations (CA)	B2+	72	122
	Can follow chronological sequences in extended informal speech at natural speed (P)	B2	65	122
Speaking	Can present their ideas with precision and respond to complex lines of argument convincingly (CA)	B2+	70	123
	Can contribute to group discussions even when speech is fast and colloquial (CA)	C1	76	123
Writing				

Lesson 10.4 Wildest dreams

Can do objectives		CEFR	GSE	PAGE
Reading				
Listening	Can follow films employing a considerable degree of slang and idiomatic usage (C)	C1	80	124
Speaking	Can exchange complex information on a wide range of matters related to their work (CA)	B2+	74	125
	Can develop an argument with appropriate highlighting of significant points and relevant supporting detail (CA)	B2+	75	125
Writing	Can develop a clear written description or narrative with relevant supporting detail and examples (CA)	B2	65	125
	Can confidently argue a case in writing, specifying needs and objectives precisely and justifying them as necessary (N2007A)	C1	81	125