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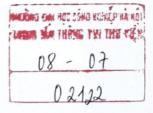
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Page 7 Campus environment Discussions: Three meetings Sociology Seminar discussions: Getting from you and me, to we	No man is an island	Listen to language and intonation to infer a speaker's attitude Apply the theories you encounter to other situation
Page 17 Media studies Guest lecture: Video games: lessons for life Economics Student presentations: Game theory	Reality TV: The harsh reality	Identify key information in an argument you're listening to Select key information to include in notes and summaries
Page 27 Health and wellbeing Podcast: How to deal with homesickness Psychology Lecture: Memory and smell	Retro-volution	Organize qualitative data by using categories Identify and study representative samples in your research
Page 37 Occupational health Interview: The world's most dangerous jobs Sociology / Management Seminar discussion: What is acceptable risk?	Risky business	Notice illustrative examples in arguments, and use them to explain your points Anticipate conclusions based on reasons and evidence you identified in a text
Page 47 Urban studies Presentation: Cars and cities Engineering / Urban planning Podcast: Making cities more liveable	The urban footprint	Recognize logical order to follow lectures and infer information you missed Evaluate what you hear against chosen criteria

Notice and study binomials (give	Identify and use intonation	Study skills	Listen to infer attitude in the context
and take, all or nothing etc.) to use the phrases correctly Use modal verbs to express different levels of directness	Review and use phrases for interrupting others Prepare and participate in a meeting about forming a study group	to effectively participate in small groups	of formal and informal conversations Listen to identify the stages of a process Prepare and contribute to an informal meeting and discussion
Recognize and use prepositional verbs Recognize and use phrasal verbs	Identify the linking /r/ sound to spot word boundaries and listen more effectively Expand and practice phrases for agreeing and disagreeing in formal or informal contexts Plan and take part in a class debate about games	Understand the importance of critical thinking skills in professional and everyday life	Listen to identify key information in an argument Select key information for summaries and notes Plan and take part in a seminar debate
Notice and practice phrases and structures expressing approximation Use particularizer and exclusive adverbs to give specific information	Recognize and follow juncture in connected speech Attribute and identify sources of information in your presentations Plan, conduct, and present the findings of a survey on memory	Discuss and explore techniques for listening to extended lectures	Practice organizing data gathered from texts Identify and critique sources of information in listening and speaking Conduct and present a survey and its findings
Use nominalization to achieve a more academic and formal tone Notice and use phrases and grammar structures for future predictions	Identify and recognize word stress in word families Change topics, return to earlier points, and stay with your topic to manage conversations Brainstorm, prepare, and present a risk assessment for one of three scenarios	Compare and reflect on your skills and attitudes to critical thinking	Anticipate conclusions while you listen based on reasoning and evidence Identify illustrative examples in listening Prepare and present a risk assessment for a hypothetical future scenario
Recognize and make use of positive and negative connotations Notice and study academic verbs to focus on specific meanings of actions	Notice and use stress patterns to contrast information Practice words and phrases for supporting your proposals when speaking Plan and present a proposal for an urban-related project	Think and talk about ways of recording your achievements	Listen for the logical order of lectures or presentations Practice critical listening to evaluate according to chosen criteria Prepare and present a project proposal related to an urban issue

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Page 57 Anthropology Lecture: Family food legacies Design / IT Class discussion: Technology legacies	Tracing the family line	Critically assess the validity of other speakers' sources Notice and study the use of the passive voice in source citations
UNIT7 Expanse Page 67 Transport studies Podcast: The Trans-Siberian Railway Sport and travel Talk: Why do people climb mountains?	Infinite boundaries	Practice distinguishing facts and opinions when you listen Recognize statements that need justification
UNIT 8 Change Page 77 Zoology • Lecture: Metamorphosis—the secrets behind nature's amazing change Economy • Radio debate: A global tax on changing money?	Shock to the system	Notice and explore maximizing or exaggerated language Recognize and identify implicit assumptions in texts
Page 87 Engineering Debate statement: Not worth a dam Positive psychology Lecture: The concept of flow	Volcanic flow	Identify counter-arguments to better understand a speaker's stance Use visual aids and diagrams to organize your notes and presentations
Page 97 Business / Management Talk: Conflict of interest International Relations Seminar discussion: "The Sporting Spirit"	The warrior gene	Identify strengths and weaknesses of an argument you're listening to Notice consistency and breaks in patterns in a speaker's arguments

Language development	Speaking	Study skills	Unit outcomes
Create emphasis or stress key information by using inversion Recognize and explore collocations with way	Identify and use pauses for dramatic emphasis Explore and practice techniques used to emphasize important information Brainstorm, plan, and deliver a three-minute speech about an influential person	Discuss and recognize ways to identify the author's position in texts	Listen to assess the validity of a speaker's sources Listen to identify source citations Prepare and deliver a three-minute speech about an influential person
Identify and explore attitude adverbials (naturally, oddly enough etc.) for more effective listening and speaking Study and record abstract nouns	Recognize word stress in abstract nouns Make suggestions, check facts, and ask key questions to negotiate better Brainstorm, discuss, and negotiate plans for a study program	Compare and talk about ways of organizing your personal study online	Listen to distinguish facts from opinions Listen to identify statements in need of justification Prepare and negotiate a study program proposal
Review and practice ways of talking about change Review and identify gradable and non-gradable adjectives	Use and notice tonic prominence in intonation patterns Practice words and phrases for adding points to an argument Prepare, plan, and participate in a debate about digital change in education	Distinguish between arguments and disagreements in academic contexts	Listen for exaggerated and maximizing language Listen to identify implicit assumptions in texts Research and take part in an organized debate
Review and explore irregular plurals in English Work with concordance data to study words in their contexts	Recognize and use intonation patterns that express hesitation or doubt Develop phrases to soften criticism in discussions Brainstorm, produce, and share a promotional message about water economy	Compare and discuss techniques for performing well on exams	Listen to distinguish arguments and counter-arguments Make use of visual aids and diagrams when listening Prepare and share a short persuasive message
Recognize and use hedging and boosting techniques to manage the strength of your arguments Identify and use linkers to join arguments effectively	Notice catenation and linking in connected speech to identify words properly Use reformulating and monitoring language to check and manage conflicting statements or positions Brainstorm, research, and perform a conflict-based role-play	Learn to use categorising techniques to organize information for debates and reports	Listen to recognize strengths and weaknesses of an argument Listen for consistent order in speaker's contributions and for inconsistencies Prepare and participate in a role-play exercise based on a conflict

Academic success requires more than memorizing information—it takes skills. A successful student not only understands the lesson in one class, but can also apply knowledge to future classes and to situations outside the classroom.

Each unit of *Skillful* presents one main topic about life, examined from two different academic disciplines. As you work through the unit, you will see how these two very different aspects of the topic work together to inform our understanding of a profound concept.

To explore the topic, each unit presents:

- Two texts that explore very different aspects of the topic. The texts are similar to the ones you would find in a university course, although the types of texts are quite varied—reports, essays, debates, radio programs, and so on.
- For each text, a specific skill to help you understand the information and then produce your own text on a similar topic
- Vocabulary and grammar skills to help you understand what you hear and then compose and present your own academically appropriate texts
- A pronunciation skill to help you listen more effectively and communicate more clearly
- Critical thinking skills to help you engage with the topic intellectually
- A study skill to improve your ability to learn, remember, and apply information to your life

To successfully use this book, use these strategies:

- Come to class prepared to learn. This means that you should show up on time and well fed, well rested, and prepared with the proper materials (paper/pen or laptop/tablet, textbook, completed homework, and so on).
- Ask questions and interact. Learning a language is not passive. You need to actively participate. Help your classmates, and let them help you. It is easier to learn a language with other people.
- Practice! Do each exercise a few times, with different partners.

 Memorize and use new language. Collaborate with classmates outside of class and practice both skills and language.
- Review your work. Look over the skills, grammar, and vocabulary from previous units. Study a little bit each day, not just before tests.
- Be an independent learner. Look for opportunities to study and practice English outside of class. Read and listen for pleasure, and use the Internet in English. Find and share information about the different unit topics with your classmates.

Remember that learning skills, like learning a language, takes time and practice. Be patient with yourself, but do not forget to set goals. Check your progress, and be proud of your success!

I hope you enjoy using Skillful!

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