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Unit	Topics
1 What is electrical engineering? Listening · Speaking	 what is included in the subject of Electrical Engineering different branches of Electrical Engineering: computing and electric power different aspects of Electrical Engineering, e.g., definitions of some basic electrical terms, measuring devices
2 The history of electrical and electronic engineering Reading · Writing	 the history of Electrical Engineering from the 19th century to modern days key figures in the discipline: their main achievements and inventions the more recent history of Electronic Engineering: solid-state electronics
3 Electric and magnetic circuits Listening · Speaking	 Ohm's law the applications of Ohm's law to simple electric circuits the limitations of Ohm's law for circuit elements that do not have a constant resistance how Ohm's law can be applied to magnetic circuits
4 The computer Reading · Writing	 the development of the computer the invention of the integrated circuit, or microchip: its advantages and its impact on society the use of computers in education a guide to a more efficient use of the internet and computers in research
5 The television – from CRT to LCD and 3D Listening · Speaking	 small electrical items: the technology behind different types of television set and screen some examples of television technology and devices 3D televisions: two types of lens used in 3D technology: passive and active
6 Control systems Reading · Writing	 control system design a common feedback loop controller: PID examples of control systems: setting the temperature of a domestic oven, cruise control for cars
7 Electric power generation, transmission and distribution Listening · Speaking	 how electric power is generated in various kinds of power station, such as wind turbines how it is transmitted across long distances how it is delivered to customers issues involved in the power transmission process: energy loss, voltage choices, transformers
8 Telecommunications Reading · Writing	 the history of telecommunication: the main inventions and developments the processes involved in telecommunication: key stages, elements and related device examples of the main applications of telecommunication: radio broadcasting, the mobile phone the influence that telecommunication has had on the world
9 Signal processing Listening · Speaking	 analogue and digital signal processing different types of signal and how and why they are processed filters and processors for both analogue and digital signals applications of signal processing: active noise control and speech recognition technologies
10 Electric cars Reading · Writing	 the reasons why electric cars have become popular, their advantages and disadvantages the problems that electric cars pose for electrical engineers: the need to balance issues of efficiency, weight, environmental concerns etc.
11 Microelectromechanical systems Listening · Speaking	MEMS and NEMS (micro- and nanoelectromechanical systems): how they are manufactured applications: examples of devices using MEMS and NEMS potential future developments
12 Lighting engineering Reading · Writing	 the main lighting devices: incandescent light bulbs, fluorescent lamps and LEDs how these devices work, their applications, and their advantages and disadvantages technical report writing in the field of simple circuits with LEDs

Vocabulary focus	Skills focus		Unit
 words from general English with a special meaning in electrical engineering prefixes and suffixes 	Listening	 preparing for a lecture predicting lecture content from the introduction understanding lecture organization choosing an appropriate form of notes making lecture notes 	de la constante de la constant
	Speaking	speaking from notes	
English–English dictionaries: headwords - definitions - parts of speech - phonemes - stress markers - countable/uncountable - transitive/intransitive	Reading Writing	 using research questions to focus on relevant information in a text using topic sentences to get an overview of the text writing topic sentences summarizing a text 	dave d or much soften a
stress patterns in multi-syllable words prefixes	Listening	 preparing for a lecture predicting lecture content making lecture notes using different information sources 	e des
	Speaking	reporting research findings formulating questions	
computer jargon abbreviations and acronyms discourse and stance markers verb and noun suffixes	Reading	 identifying topic development within a paragraph using the Internet effectively evaluating Internet search results 	4
	Writing	reporting research findings	
word sets: synonyms, antonyms, etc. the language of trends common lecture language	Listening Speaking	 understanding 'signpost language' in lectures using symbols and abbreviations in note-taking making effective contributions to a seminar 	
synonyms, replacement subjects, etc., for sentence-level	Reading	locating key information in complex sentences	
paraphrasing	Writing	reporting findings from other sources: paraphrasing	6
		writing complex sentences	
compound nouns	Listening	understanding speaker emphasis	1310
 fixed phrases from electrical engineering fixed phrases from academic English common lecture language 	Speaking	 asking for clarification responding to queries and requests for clarification 	
• synonyms	Reading	understanding dependent clauses with passives	
nouns from verbs	Reading	understanding dependent clauses with passives	3
definitions	Writing	• paraphrasing	
common 'direction' verbs in essay titles (discuss, analyze, evaluate, etc.)		 expanding notes into complex sentences recognizing different essay types/structures: descriptive · analytical · comparison/evaluation · argument writing essay plans and writing essays 	
fixed phrases from electrical engineering fixed phrases from academic English	Listening	 using the Cornell note-taking system recognizing digressions in lectures 	9
The prince prince and the control of	Speaking	 making effective contributions to a seminar referring to other people's ideas in a seminar 	
'neutral' and 'marked' words fixed phrases from electrical engineering		 recognizing the writer's stance and level of confidence or tentativeness inferring implicit ideas 	10
fixed phrases from academic English		 writing situation–problem–solution–evaluation essays using direct quotations compiling a bibliography/reference list 	
 words/phrases used to link ideas (moreover, as a result, etc.) stress patterns in noun phrases and compounds 	Listening	 recognizing the speaker's stance writing up notes in full 	11
fixed phrases from academic English words/phrases related to research	Speaking	 building an argument in a seminar agreeing/disagreeing 	
verbs used to introduce ideas from other sources		understanding how ideas in a text are linked	
(X contends/suggests/asserts that) Inking words/phrases conveying contrast (whereas), result (consequently), reasons (due to), etc.	Writing	 deciding whether to use direct quotation or paraphrase incorporating quotations 	12
 words for quantities (a significant minority) 		 writing research reports writing effective introductions/conclusions 	