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Unit 1

Part A Oral Practice

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| A. They are all set to go on vacation to Europe. | D. The children stumbled upon a cave in the mountains. |
| B. He is bound to get in trouble for being late to class again. | E. She has got to stop talking about them behind their backs. |
| C. No, I can't figure out how to install the DVD player. | |

1. (C) A: Will you be watching movies in your car now?
2. (A) A: Why are all their suitcases packed?
3. (E) A: Why are all of her friends angry at her?

Part B Picture Description

Picture #1

1. Where are these people?
2. What are these people doing?
3. With what kind of attitude do they seem to be doing this? Why do you think that?
4. If you still have time, please describe this picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

These people are at a cemetery. It looks like they are cleaning tombs rather than worshipping, so I think it might be Tomb Sweeping Day. It's hard to tell with what kind of attitude they are cleaning the tombs; the woman at the back seems to be working hard. No one I can see in the picture is smiling, and the two men in the front seem to have a serious look. Perhaps they are remembering the person who died. The tomb to the right in the front already has an offering on it, so I think the two men are probably worshipping right now.

Picture #2

1. Where is this man?
2. What is this man doing?
3. How do you think the man is feeling right now?
4. If you still have time, please describe this picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

This man is at a vault where dead people's ashes are kept. He is clearly worshipping there, probably worshipping a dead relative. It's hard to say how the man is feeling right now. If he really loved the dead person, then he may be feeling sad. But maybe he is just worshipping there out of duty also, so he might not really feel much at all. I can see many drawers in the background. I think each one must contain the ashes of a dead person. Also, there is a statue of Buddha in front of the man, so he may be Buddhist, or the person who died may have been of the Buddhist faith. I also see fruit in front of the Buddha statue. These may be offerings left by people for their dead relatives.

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Unit 2

Part A Oral Practice

- A. Yes, they got married sometime last week. D. I suppose I can give the idea some thought.
B. This kind of lake is man-made, not natural. E. That can't be! This is one of a kind.
C. This scenery reminds me of Thailand.

1. (D) A: Mr. Li, could I take some time off work?
2. (E) A: I like your hat. In fact, I have one just like it!
3. (C) A: Look at the ocean! It's so beautiful.

Part B Picture Description

Picture #1

1. What are the people in this picture doing?
2. What do you think is the relationship between the people in this picture? How can you tell?
3. Do you think the people in the picture are enjoying themselves? Why or why not?
4. If you still have time, please describe the picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

The man and woman in this picture are eating dinner. It looks like a romantic dinner because they are sitting close together and there are candles on the table. They are looking into each other's eyes and smiling. Maybe one of them just told a joke. I think the man and the woman are probably married or are at least boyfriend and girlfriend. If they weren't, I don't think they'd be eating this kind of dinner and sitting so close together. They look like they are comfortable with each other and having a good time.

Picture #2

1. What are the people in the picture doing?
2. Why do you think the people in the picture are doing this?
3. How do you think these people feel?
4. If you still have time, please describe the picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

The man and woman in this picture are getting married. I know this because the man is wearing a suit and the woman is wearing a wedding dress and jewelry. The jewelry probably has some gems in it. They are getting married because they love each other, I think. You can tell by the way they are looking at each other and smiling. They look happy and in love, so I think they feel good about what they are doing. The day you get married is supposed to be the happiest day of your life, after all!

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Unit 3

Part A Oral Practice

- A. Thanks, but I didn't have a hand in it at all. D. This is your chance to redeem yourself with her.
B. It's all or nothing; roll the dice. E. Unfortunately, the greedy company won out.
C. As a matter of fact, I didn't hear the news about him.

1. (E) A: What happened in the case of the company and its angry customers?
2. (B) A: I'd like to join the gambling table.
3. (A) A: Congratulations on the success of the project!

Part B Picture Description

Picture #1

1. What kind of transportation is this? Where would you find it?
2. How does this kind of transportation run? How do you know?
3. How do the people seem to be feeling? How do you know?
4. If you still have time, please describe this picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

This kind of transportation is called a street car or a trolley car. You can find them in many big cities. I'm pretty sure street cars run using electricity, because you can see wires running above the car in the picture. The people riding the trolley car seem to be happy and enjoying themselves. I think they may be tourists, and this street car may be a tourist one. It doesn't look big enough to take many people to and from work.

Picture #2

1. What is the woman's job? Why do you say so?
2. This car doesn't run on gas. What do you think it runs on? Why do you say so?
3. What might be the purpose of this photo?
4. If you still have time, please describe this picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

I think this woman is a model because she is very pretty and she doesn't look like she is dressed for driving. If this car doesn't run on gas, I think it's probably an electric car. I know that many car companies are making electric cars these days. The purpose of this photo is probably for a car magazine ad, or maybe an ad for this car that will appear in another magazine. The photo looks like it was taken in a big warehouse because the ceiling is high and the lights on the ceiling look like they are the kind used in a large factory or warehouse.

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Unit 4

Part A Oral Practice

- A. At least we had the chance to see him before he left. D. Not to mention the problems she has at work.
B. You can say that again! E. Look on the bright side; nobody was hurt.
C. Instead of doing that, let's ask my father for help.

1. (C) A: Shall we borrow some money from the bank?
2. (E) A: That car accident cost me a lot of money. Why am I so unlucky?
3. (B) A: Wow! The food in this restaurant is really expensive!

Part B Picture Description

Picture #1

1. How would you describe the weather in this picture?
2. Why do you think this street is so congested?
3. What can you say about the street these people are walking on?
4. If you still have time, please describe the picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

It's obviously raining because everyone is carrying umbrellas. The area looks to be very congested, perhaps because it is lunchtime or rush-hour in a big city. The ground looks to be soaked. There is moisture everywhere. To describe the picture more, I would say that I think these people are crossing the street at an intersection in a big, crowded city. I can see some large buildings in the background and traffic lights, but no cars. For this reason, I think that there are probably cars just outside the picture which have stopped to let people cross the busy road.

Picture #2

1. Where do you think this picture was taken?
2. What is this woman doing?
3. How would you describe the woman's clothing?
4. If you still have time, please describe the picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

I think that this picture was probably taken at some kind of outdoor market. The woman seems to be washing and preparing eels or some other kind of fish. The woman is wearing a green jacket, which looks new and very clean. This looks so little strange, as she is handling fish; people usually wear an apron or old clothes when they do this kind of work. To describe the picture more, I would say that there are two other people in the picture, standing on either side of the woman. They could be either customers waiting to buy some eels, or perhaps they work with her and she is showing them what to do.

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Unit 5

Part A Oral Practice

A. You really shouldn't take it so hard. She's not so skinny herself.	D. Well, I used to. But I saw his last movie, and I thought he
B. After all, I am the most desirable man on the planet, right?	was terrible!
C. Seeing that she's not here yet, I think we should get started without her.	E. I just got a bit tired of having to work all that overtime.

1. (D) A: Do you think that Leonardo DiCaprio is one of the best actors of our time?
2. (E) A: Why did you quit your job, Mark? I thought you loved working there!
3. (A) A: My best friend told me that I look fat! I just don't know what to do!

Part B Picture Description

Picture #1

1. What kind of animal is the little girl holding?
2. How do you think they are feeling?
3. Do you think this is a wild animal or the little girl's pet?
4. If you still have time, please describe the picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

This little girl is holding a bunny. Seeing that the little girl is holding the bunny close to her face and she has her eyes closed, makes me think that she really loves it. It also looks like the bunny is kissing the little girl's face in return! I definitely feel that this is the girl's pet and not just a wild animal. The bunny looks very comfortable being held by her, and it is not trying to get away. To describe the picture more, I can say that the little girl and the bunny are outside, because I see some plants and flowers in the background.

Picture #2

1. What is in the red box in this picture?
2. What do you think is about to happen?
3. What is the green object next to the box?
4. If you have more time, please describe the picture in as much detail as you can.

Answer:

There are two rabbits in the box – one is real, and the other is not! The real rabbit is black and white and has large ears that are sticking straight up. Next to that rabbit is a toy rabbit. It looks like the character "Roger Rabbit" from the cartoon movie. Seeing that the black rabbit is hanging over the edge of the box, I think that it's about to hop out of the box. There is some green lettuce next to the box, so perhaps the rabbit is hungry and is going to eat the lettuce. After all, rabbits do love lettuce, right?