
COMMUNICATION

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1.2 CHEATS READING TEXT

CHEATS

■ Cheating is wrong! But, teenagers sometimes cheat to get better marks. We asked some teens from around the world “*How do you cheat?*” This is what they said.

How do I cheat? My friend Melanie and me are in the same maths class, and we have a “Homework Deal”. She does the odd questions like 1, 3, 5 and I do the evens like 2, 4, 6 and we swap answers on the bus the next day.
(Ave, aged 12, New Zealand.)

One kid I know, pays his sister’s best friend to do his homework. That’s a “Homework Deal” and that’s cheating isn’t it? (Daniel, aged 13, Canada.)

I use “Cheat Sheets” sometimes – I write information on paper and put it under my watch strap. My brother uses gum paper for cheating – he writes stuff on the paper and in the test, he chews gum and then reads the paper. The teachers never know. I heard that someone in our school used a baseball hat for cheating - he glued a cheat sheet to the bill (the front) of the hat. How cool is this! But, he glued it upside down so he couldn’t read it! What a dork!
(Damien, aged 14, USA.)

I know about “Mobile Cheating” – you use it for texting questions to your friends and they text the answers back. I’ve heard some kids use it for sending themselves text messages with important information. Awesome idea isn’t it?
(Brad, aged 17, the USA.)

How about this for an idea? It’s the coolest of cool! You can use a bottle of Fanta for cheating. Take off the label and stick a cheat sheet on the outside of the bottle then glue the label back. When you drink the Fanta, you can see the answers. Cool or what! (Cameron, aged 13, South Africa.)

Well...we use the “Buddy System” a lot at our school. It’s like... when I sit next to my mate in history tests and we tell each other the answers. We have this old history teacher and she never knows we cheat – we show or whisper the answers or pass notes, or even use hand signs sometimes. We do this a lot. Cheating’s bad I know but we all do it! My dad did it when he was at school too! (John, aged 14, UK.)

Word Box

| | | |
|-------------|---|---------------|
| awesome | = | fantastic |
| cool | = | very good |
| dork | = | idiot |
| a kid | = | a child |
| a label | = | címke |
| mate | = | friend |
| stuff | = | information |
| upside down | = | fejfel lefele |
| watch strap | = | óraszíj |
| wicked | = | fantastic |
| whisper | = | súgni |

How do I cheat? Cool question! We all do the “Long-sleeved” method. Before a test, we write important stuff on our arms, then wear a long-sleeved shirt. Then when the teacher isn't looking, we read our arms.
(Gerry, aged 12, Ireland)

1.2 SPIES READING TEXT

SPIES

■ We visited the international Spy Museum in Washington DC and asked some teens “What’s the best thing here?” This is what they told us.

I think.. I liked the spy animals the best. Like...did you know, that we used pigeons for sending secret messages for hundreds of years, (before e-mail)? And, in the First World War an American pigeon got a medal for carrying messages. How cool is that!
(Holly, aged 14 Washington DC)

I liked the spy animals. Did you know, the USA made a robot fish for sending secret messages through the water? This is a wicked idea!
(Emma, aged 14, Washington DC)

There was this wicked coat. It was a big winter coat and the fifth button was a camera button – you can use it for taking photos. I think the Russians invented it.
(Howard, aged 13 New York)

What’s the best thing here? The Lipstick Pistol. The Russian spies used it for painting their lips and for killing people too. How cool is that! I want one for Christmas!
(Lorna, aged 12 Washington DC)

I liked this recording pen. It’s a normal pen but you can use it for recording things and then listening to them. It’s like a pen dictaphone or something like that. I can use it for cheating in tests....or..maybe not.
(Adam aged 15, Washington DC)

I liked the walkie-talkie watches the best! You use them for sending and getting secret messages. You whisper into the watch and your mate listens from her watch. Everyone thinks you’re looking at the time but really you’re sending secret messages.
Wicked idea! Can I buy one?
(J-Jay aged 12, Chicago)

I saw this awesome magic spy pen. It’s just a normal pen but you can use it for invisible writing on paper, wood, glass, clothes. When you shine a UV light on your writing, then you can see it - the pen’s got a small UV light on it. I think I can use it for cheating at school. What do you think?
(Angelina, aged 16, New York.)

Word Box

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| awesome | = fantastic |
| cool | = very good |
| idea | = ötlet |
| invisible | = láthatatlan |
| lipstick | = szájruzs |
| mate | = friend |
| medal | = érem |
| pigeon | = galamb |
| stuff | = information |
| wicked | = fantastic |
| whisper | = súgni |

What’s the best thing here? Spy sunglasses. They’re just normal sunglasses but you use them for seeing behind you – you look through them and can see behind you. Good for cheating in tests at school.. .but we can’t wear sunglasses in class. How unfair is that!
(Jordan, aged 13, New York)

1.2 CHEATS QUESTIONS

- You're going to read about Cheats and Spies. Work in 2 groups
- Group A: You read Cheats and answer the Cheats Questions.
- Group B: You read Spies and answer the Spies Questions.

- When you finish, find a partner from the other group and do the Information Swap.

TOP SPEED READ!

Read and answer these questions in 1 minute

- a) Who is the oldest student?
- b) How many students are from Canada?
- c) Who comes from South Africa?
- d) Who's dad cheated at school?

SLOW READ

1 You read about 2 "Homework Deals". What are they?

2 Write about the "Buddy System"
The Buddy system is when you (finish the sentence)

3 How can you cheat with the "Buddy System?" (4 ways)
You can

4 Write about the "Long sleeved" method
The "Long-sleeved" method is when you

5 Write about a "Cheat Sheet". What is it?
What does Damien say about Fanta?
You can use it for
And chewing gum?
You can.....
And a baseball hat?

6 Write about "Mobile cheating" (2 ways).
You can use it

INFORMATION SWAP.

Find a Spies partner and ask these questions.

- 7 What did you read about?
- 8 What are spy animals?
- 9 What's a Lipstick pistol?
- 10 What's a Magic Spy Pen?
- 11 What's a Walkie-talkie Watch?
- 12 What's a Recording Pen?
- 13 What's a Button Camera?
- 14 Which spy gadget was the best?

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- a) Who is the oldest student?
- b) How many students are from New York?
- c) Who comes from Chicago?
- d) What country made the camera button?

SLOW READ

- 1 How many spy gadgets are there?
- 2 Who wants a spy gadget for Christmas?
- 3 Why do we use spy animals? *We use spy animals for*
- (finish the sentence).

- 4 What do you use a lipstick pistol for? *You use it for*
- 5 Write about the spy sunglasses.
They are
- We use them for*
- They are good for*

- 6 Write about the magic spy pen. *It is* *and you can use it*
- *It is good*

- 7 Write about the walkie-talkie watch.
- 8 Write about the recording pen.
- 9 Write about the button camera.

INFORMATION SWAP.

Find a Cheats partner and ask these questions.

- 10 What did you read about?
- 11 What's a "Homework Deal"?
- 12 What's the "Buddy system"?
- 13 What's the "Long sleeved" method?
- 14 What's a "Cheat Sheet" and what 4 cheat sheets are there?
- 15 What's "Mobile cheating"?
- 16 What method of cheating was the best?

1.3 WORK HABIT ASSESSMENT FORM

Name

Date

| Work habits | Outstanding | Good | Satisfactory | Needs improvement | Unsatisfactory |
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| Worked independently | | | | | |
| Worked well in group | | | | | |
| Listened/followed instructions | | | | | |
| Participated in speaking tasks | | | | | |
| Used new language in the speaking tasks | | | | | |
| Shows courtesy and respect | | | | | |
| Demonstrates leadership ability | | | | | |

2.2 THINKING TIME TASK SHEET



- 1 Listen and tick the phrases you hear.

Just a minute

What do I think of Scottish football?

I mean..

That's a cool question

Yeah... well...right...it's like...er...

Actually...er...

How shall I put it?

I like books

I think...

It's like...yer...know It's like...bad...

- 2 Order the phrases.

- 3 Listen and repeat.

- 4 Ask and answer these questions in pairs.

What do you think of rap music?

What do you think of school?

What do you think of?

- 5 Play "Just a minute".

2.2 THINKING TIME RECORDING

Daniel and Helen are talking about football.

Helen Can I ask you something?

Daniel Sure.

Helen What do you think of Scottish football at the moment?

Daniel What do I think of Scottish football? yeah...well...right...it's
like...actually. yer... That's a cool question. How shall I put it?
It's like...yer know It's like... bad...

Helen Oh, right. Cheers!

2.3 MIME STORY

A The Snake

A man went to the bathroom to go to the toilet. He opened the toilet and suddenly a big snake started coming out of the toilet. The man screamed, picked up a hairdryer and threw it at the snake's head. He ran out of the bathroom and locked the bathroom door. Then he phoned the police.

B The Crocodile

A woman went to a river to feed the ducks. She threw bread into the water and suddenly a big crocodile started coming out of the water. She screamed, picked up a big stone and threw it at the crocodile's head. She ran to her car and drove home. Then she phoned the police.

2.3 MIME STORY GAP FILL

(A)

■ Please fill in the gaps.

The Snake

A man (1).....to the bathroom to (2)..... to the toilet.
 He (3)..... the toilet and*suddenly*..... a big snake (4).....coming out
 (5).....the toilet. The man (6)....., (7)..... up a hairdryer, and
 (8)..... it at the snake's head. He (9)..... (10).....*of*.... the bathroom
 and locked the bathroom door. Then he (11)..... the police.

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| phoned | of | started | opened | go |
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(B)

■ Please fill in the gaps.

The Crocodile

A woman (1)..... to a river to feed the ducks. She (2)..... bread into
 the water and*suddenly*..... a big crocodile (3).....coming out
 (4)..... the water. She (5)....., (6).....up a big stone and
 (7)..... it at the crocodile's head. She (8)..... (9)..... her car
 and drove home. Then she (10)..... the police.

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| <p>If you want to be a wizard, Go to Harry Potter’s school, You learn about magic, That’s proper cool! If you want to know my name, Then have a look, On the front page, Of a “Harry Potter” book. ...(because I wrote it)</p> <p>1 Who am I?</p> | <p>I am fast food, The favourite I am, Of most of the people, In the United Kingdom.</p> <p>Who am I?</p> <p>(The answer is on the “England” sheet)</p> <p>2</p> |
| <p>I am the name, Of a skirt you can see, On a Scotsman, My last letter’s ‘T’.</p> <p>3 What am I?</p> | <p>I am the biggest lake in the UK and I am in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>What am I?</p> <p>4</p> |
| <p>I am a dead writer and I am famous because my book is now a film about four children who walk into Narnia from a wardrobe. In Narnia, the children fight for good (with Aslan the lion) against evil (the White Witch). I come from the capital city of Northern Ireland.</p> <p>5 Who am I?</p> | <p>I am a boat, At the bottom of the sea, April the 14 1912, Was the end of me, I hit something, And sank straight away, 1500 people died, In the water that day. The capital of Northern Ireland, Was where they built me, If you know my name, It ends in a ‘T’.</p> <p>6 What am I?</p> |
| <p>I go from England to France. I’m 50 kilometres long and they opened me in 1994</p> <p>7 What am I?</p> | <p>All English teenagers, Have to read me, My most famous line is, “To be or not to be!” My first letter is “s”, My last letter’s “e”, If you know who I am, Then happy I will be.</p> <p>8 Who am I?</p> |
| <p>I come from England, I live in Sherwood, I have a long bow, And I think I’m good. I steal from the rich, And give to the poor, I’m 600 hundred years old, (and so I’m no more).</p> <p>9 Who am I? (write both my names)</p> | |

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| <p>If you have a phone, You'll know about me, Because I invented, This little machine. If you know my name, Then write it down, I come from, Scotland's main town. Who am I?</p> <p>1</p> | <p>I am a dead writer. I wrote books about a famous detective, who lived at 221 Baker Street London. I come from the capital city of Scotland. Who am I?</p> <p>2</p> |
| <p>I'm dead – I died in 1866 I am famous because a famous mountain is named after me. I lived in India for many years but I was born in Powys, Wales in 1790 Who am I?</p> <p>3</p> | <p>I am the home of a famous tennis competition. The competition is for two weeks every June in England. What am I?</p> <p>4</p> |
| <p>I'm a flower. I'm the national flower of Wales. I'm yellow and you can see me in the spring. What am I?</p> <p>5</p> | <p>I'm a circle of stones, I'm 4000 years old, No one knows, Of the secrets I hold. I stand quiet and still, In a field, all alone, In the south of England, That's now my home. What am I?</p> <p>6</p> |
| <p>I come from Scotland, I live in a lake, No one knows, If I'm real or a fake. Who am I?</p> <p>7</p> | <p>If you like football, You know about me, I'm from the north of England, And I'm a football team! My third letter's "n", My sixth is "e", My last letter's ..well... Do you know me? What am I?</p> <p>8</p> |
| <p>I'm a dead inventor. I invented the modern bicycle tyre. I come from Belfast. Who am I?</p> <p>9</p> | |

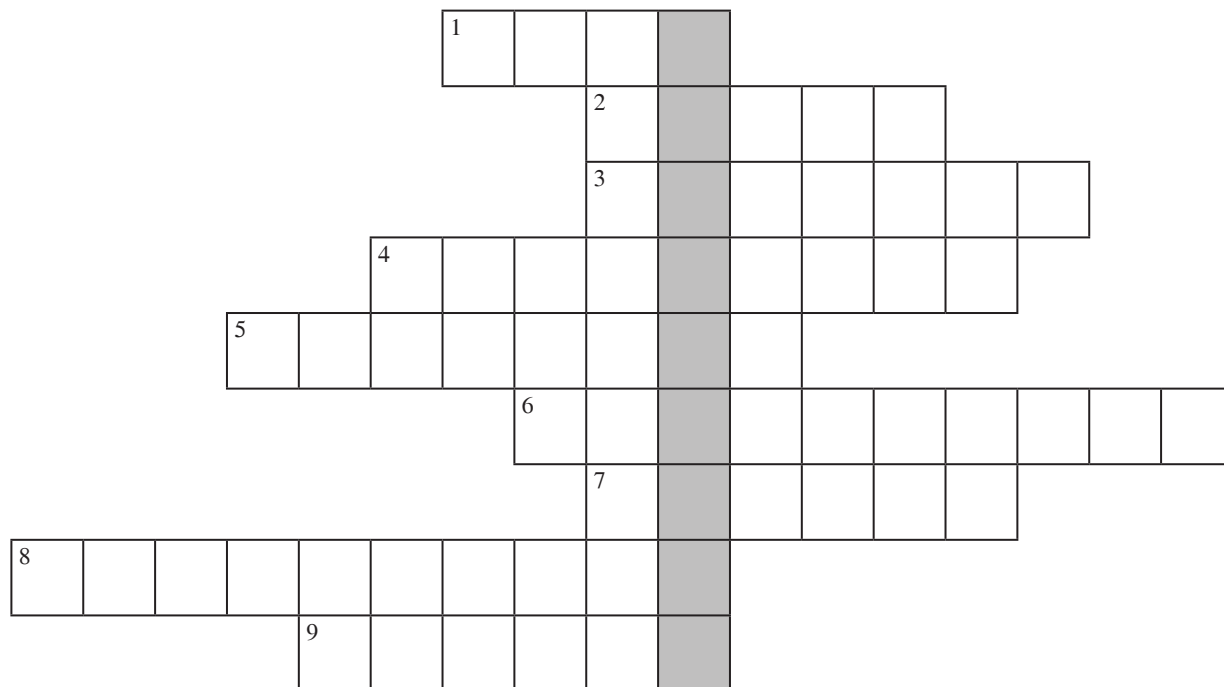
3.3 RIDDLES ANSWER SHEET B

WHAT CITY AM I?

- Write your answers in the puzzle. Order the letters in the grey column and find the city name.

If your answer is a person's name, write in the SURNAME.

For example, George W. Bush = BUSH



What city am I?

3.3 FACT FILE NORTHERN IRELAND

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| Population | 1.7 million |
| Language | English and Irish Gaelic. Children learn Gaelic at schools. 142, 000 people speak Gaelic. |
| Capital city | Belfast |
| National flower | |
| National Day | |

Famous places

Giant's Causeway

The Giant's Causeway (causeway = "road") is on the eastern coast of Northern Ireland. 40,000 columns go down into the sea like giant steps. Some people say that the Irish giant Finn MacCool built the causeway to cross the sea from Ireland to Scotland - he wanted to fight a Scottish giant. BUT, when he got to Scotland, he saw that the Scottish giant was much bigger, so he came home again.

Neagh

Lough Neagh is the biggest freshwater lake in the UK. It is 29 km long and 18 kilometres wide. Lake Balaton in Hungary is bigger – it is 77 km long.

Lough Erne

This is the most beautiful lake with many islands on it. Tourists like holidays here.

Famous people

C. S. Lewis. (1898 – 1963)

Lewis wrote the Narnia books and *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* is now a film. He was from Belfast and his favourite book at school was *Treasure Island*. When he grew up, he lived in England and taught English at Oxford University with his good friend, J.R.R. Tolkien (he wrote *The Lord of the Rings*).

Seamus Heaney

The most famous poet writing in English. He often writes about Irish life, especially country life.

J. B. Dunlop (1840 - 1921)

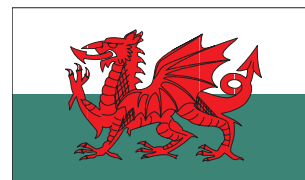
Dunlop was a Belfast vet (an animal doctor). In 1888, he invented the modern bicycle tyre by putting air into it and this made bicycles more comfortable.

Interesting facts

~ The Titanic was the most fantastic passenger ship in the world in 1912 and she was from Belfast. On April the 10th, 1912, she started from Southampton (England) to New York with 2,227 people. On April the 14th 1912, she hit an iceberg at 1140 p.m. and sank 25 hours later. There were only 20 lifeboats, enough for 705 people. All the other passengers died.

~ Saint Patrick is the national saint of Ireland. But, he was not Irish, he was born in Wales and his parents were – Roman British!

3.3 FACT FILE WALES



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| Population | 2.9 million |
| Language | English and Welsh. 20% of people speak Welsh and children learn Welsh at school. |
| National flower | Daffodil (see above) |
| National Day | Saint David's Day, March 1 st |

Famous places

Caernarfon Castle

This castle is one of the best in the UK. Prince Charles, the son of Queen Elizabeth II was made Prince of Wales here.

Snowdonia

These are beautiful mountains and the second biggest mountain in the UK, Mount Snowdon (1085 metres) is here.

Ogof Ffynnon Ddu

This is the deepest cave in the UK (308 metres)

Famous people

Robert Recorde

He was a doctor from Tenby, Wales. In 1550, he invented the mathematical symbol (=). We use this in maths lessons today!

Catherine Zita Jones (1969-)

She is a famous Hollywood film actress - she was in *Zoró* and *Chicago*. Her husband is the Hollywood actor, Michael Douglas. She was born in Swansea.

George Everest (1791 – 1866)

He was a famous map-maker from Powys, Wales. He lived in India for 20 years and made maps of the Himalaya mountains. His maps were so good that they named the highest mountain in the world after him - Mount Everest. He never climbed this mountain.

Roald Dahl (1916-1990)

He wrote children's books like *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. He also wrote movies – he wrote the James Bond 007 movie *You Only Live Twice*. He was born in Norway but lived nearly all his life in Cardiff, Wales.

Interesting facts

~ Rugby is the national sport

~ The longest place name in the UK is in North Wales, near the town of Bangor.-

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Clan-vire-pull- gwin-gill-go-gare-uck-win-drawb- ul- clan-tw-sillyo-go-go-gouck

~ Wales has more castles per square kilometre than any other European country.

3.3 FACT FILE SCOTLAND



| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Population | 5.1 million |
| Language | English and Scottish Gaelic (about 70,000 people speak Gaelic) |
| Capital city | Edinburgh |
| National flower | Thistle (see above) |
| National Day | Saint Andrew's Day, November 30 th |

Famous places

Loch Ness

People say *Nessie*, a monster, lives in Loch Ness. Saint Columba was the first person to see *Nessie* in 550 A.D. Loch Ness is very deep (230 metres) and big (36 km x 2 km) so there is a lot of room for a monster's home. What do you think?

Ben Nevis

This is the UK's highest mountain and it is 1,344 metres tall (Everest is 8,850 meters).

The Braemar Highland Games

Braemar has a sports competition every year with old Scottish sports, for example, highland dancing (men dancing in kilts), bagpipe playing (a bagpipe is a Scottish musical instrument), tossing the caber (throwing a tree trunk as far as you can), throwing the hammer (throwing an iron ball on a chain as far as you can).

Famous people

Arthur Conan Doyle (1859- 1930)

He wrote the Sherlock Holmes stories – the famous detective who lived in Baker Street, London. Conan Doyle was born in Edinburgh and became a doctor.

Alexander Graham Bell (1847 – 1922)

Bell invented the telephone in 1876. He was born in Edinburgh but moved to Canada in 1870. He taught deaf children and was always interested in communication. He had many fantastic ideas – for example, he wrote about solar heating, cassette recorders, air conditioning many years before someone else invented them.

Robert Burns (1759-1796)

Burns was a poet – he wrote the words of “Auld Lang Syne”, the song people in the UK sing on New Year's Eve. The first two lines are: *Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And never brought to min'*

January 25th is “Burns Night” (it's Burns's birthday) and it's a national holiday in Scotland.

John Logie Baird (1888 - 1946)

He invented the TV – on the 26th of January 1926, he showed the first working TV.

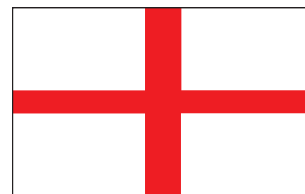
Interesting facts

- ~ Men sometimes wear a skirt, or a “kilt” in Scotland. Each family, or “clan” (this is the Scottish word for family) has its own type of kilt. Cool!
- ~ JK Rowling wrote the first book *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* in an Edinburgh café. She was poor, with a small baby and sat in the café to be warm.
- ~ In Scotland, “Hogmanay” (December 31st) is more important than Christmas.

3.3 FACT FILE ENGLAND



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| Population | 49.8 million |
| Language | English |
| Capital city | London |
| National flower | Rose |
| National Day | Saint George's Day, March 23 rd |



Famous places

Windsor Castle

Queen Elizabeth II sometimes lives in this castle in the town of Windsor near London.. It is the largest and oldest castle home in the world.

Wimbledon

There is a top tennis competition at Wimbledon, London every June. It started in 1877 with 20 players. Now, hundreds of players and thousands of tourists go every year. They drink 285,000 cups of tea and 12,500 bottles of champagne.

Stonehenge at Salisbury

This is a circle of stones and is 4000-5000 years old. No one knows why it is here – some people think it is an old clock or a UFO place or a place for worshipping the sun – on Midsummer's Day (June 24th) the rays of the rising sun, fall on the centre stone. How cool is that!

Famous people

English teens say these are the top three famous English people.

1 *Richard Branson (1950 –)*

He is a businessman. He left school at 16 and his first business was a record shop - Virgin Records in London. He is now rich and successful and owns Virgin air, Virgin Train , Virgin mobile phones, Virgin Internet... Virgin everything!

2 *J.K.Rowling (1966 –)*

She wrote the first Harry Potter book in 1996 *Harry Potter And The Philosopher's Stone*.

She wants to write 7 Harry Potter books because English pupils go to secondary school for 7 years. There are 6 books now and 4 films.

3 *David Beckham (1975 -)*

He is a footballer. He started playing at Manchester United when he was 14.

Two other famous English people are

Shakespeare (1654-1616)

He was from Stratford and he wrote 35 plays – the most famous are *Romeo and Juliet* and *Hamlet*. He was an actor in his plays too – he was the ghost in Hamlet but his friends say he was rubbish!

Robin Hood

A famous gangster of 600 years ago. He lived in Sherwood Forest, Nottingham, England.

Interesting facts

- ~ 25% of London school children speak English at school and another language at home Punjabi, Urdu, Hindi, Gujarati, Arabic etc.. There are more than 300 languages in the UK.
- ~ Fish & chips is the favourite fast food. Curry is the favourite non-fast food.
- ~ The Channel Tunnel is 50-km-long and is under the sea from Dover to Calais in France. It opened in 1994 People wanted to build a Channel Tunnel in 1802 but they did not know how.
- ~ Football is the favourite sport. Four big teams are Chelsea (West London), Arsenal (North London), Liverpool and Manchester United in the north of England.

TEENSPEAK

Gabi Hi there!

Stacy & Ruby Hi!

Gabi Our Hungarian teenagers want to know some teenage slang.
Can we talk about this?

Stacy & Ruby Sure! Yeah!

Gabi What is “Teenage slang” exactly?

Stacy Well...it’s like... a teenage language that adults can’t really understand.
It’s kinda like a secret language.

Ruby (interrupts)..... Yeah...but not really a language just words and phrasesbut yeah
...adults can’t understand it.

Gabi Like..what?

Stacy Well...I..er..I wrote a Teenspeak rap. Do you want to hear it?

Gabi Sure, yeah!

Stacy It’s heavy and cool and wicked, mint, phat.
But when my mum says “phat” - How naff is that! I say
“Talk to the hand 'cos the face is in Spain”
Just don’t say “phat” to me again!

Gabi Great but...what does it mean?

Stacy Well...like... I don’t like my mum speaking slang ‘cos she’s too old!

Gabi And what’s phat?

Ruby Phat and cool mean “Great!” for people .like...“Brad Pitt ‘s cool”.
And heavy, mint, wicked and cool mean “Great!” but for things....
like... “a mint car”.

Stacy interrupts..... Yeah..and naff means “No good!”

Gabi And..what does “Talk to the hand 'cos the face is in Spain” mean?

Stacy Oh, “Say what you like mum, I’m not listening to you!”

Gabi Oh... Right. But I still don’t really understand it!

Ruby ...never mind, you’re not a teenager! Here’s another one. Ready Stace?

Stacy Yeah!

Ruby OK! “That new boy Spencer’s proper fit!

Stacy A proper dork you mean!! He had a fight on his first day at school!
What a loser!

Ruby Yeah.. but.....David Sherwin started itit wasn’t Spencer.
Really..it wasn’t him.

Stacy Yeah, right, whatever!”

Gabi What does fit mean?

Stacy “Good looking and sexy”

Gabi And dork?

Ruby “Stupid”.. and loser means stupid too.

Gabi Right.

Stacy ...but you know slang is always changing so don’t worry about it.
Chill out!

Gabi Sorry? .

Ruby Chill out! It means relax! Do you know any Hungarian slang?

Gabi Sure! “Király” means cool!

Ruby (mispronounces it) Kiwi..what??

Gabi Király

Ruby Király. Cool! Thanks

Gabi That’s OK. Thanks a lot for your time.

Stacy & Ruby Cheers!

TEENSPEAK

Listen to the interview and answer the questions “True or False”.

- 1 Teenspeak is a new type of mobile.
- 2 Stacy doesn't like her mother using teenage slang.
- 3 Gabi understands the rap.
- 4 Ruby likes Brad Pitt.
- 5 David Sherwin and Spencer had a fight at school. David started it.
- 6 Slang is always changing.

7 Learner A, you order this rap.

- a) “Talk to the hand 'cos the face is in Spain”
 b) But when my mum says “phat” - How naff is that! I say
 c) Just don't say “phat” to me again
 d) It's heavy and cool and wicked, mint, phat.

Student B, you order this dialogue.

- a) A proper dork you mean!! He had a fight on his first day at school!
 What a loser!
 b) That new boy Spencer's proper fit ?
 c) Yeah, right, whatever.
 d) Yeah, but.....David started itit wasn't Spencer. Really...it wasn't him!

Tell your partner the correct order. What do they mean?

8 Read 4.1 Teenspeak and match the words in A to B.

- | A | B |
|---|---|
| a) A loser, a dork | 1) I don't want to talk about it. |
| b) Like | 2) I don't believe you. |
| c) Chill out | 3) It's no good |
| d) It's naff | 4) A stupid person |
| e) Mint, wicked | 5) Relax |
| f) Phat | 6) Very good looking, sexy |
| g) Proper fit | 7) Good, expensive (for things) |
| h) Talk to the hand 'cos the face is in Spain | 8) Great (for people) |
| i) Whatever | 9) Say what you want – I'm not listening to you. |
| j) Yeah! Right! | 10) For example |
| k) Get real | 11) Be serious |
| l) Cheers | 12) Thank you |

9 What do the rap and the dialogue in question 7 mean in normal English?

10 Fill in the gaps with these words.

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|--------|------|------------|----------|--------|----------|
| Cheers | fit | cool | loser | wicked | get real |
| Mint | dork | yeah right | whatever | like | |

a)
 Emma What do you think of Brad Pit?
 Holly Lovely, he's proper.....
 Emma And your brother?
 Holly God no! He's a

b)
 You A Big Mac and a Medium Coke please.
 Assistant Here you are. 3 pounds please.
 You

c)
 My bother glued a "Cheat Sheet" on his baseball hat. BUT...he glued it upside down so he couldn't read it! What a

d)
 Mr Jones' car (he's my maths teacher) is.....It's a new, red Audi sports car.
 It's

e)
 Thomas Let's go to the new Harry Potter film première
 David idea! When?
 Thomas 11.30 p.m. next Wednesday.
 David ! 11.30pm!!!! My parents will say "NO!"

f)
 Stacy That new boy likes you.
 Ruby No, he doesn't!
 Stacy Yes, he does.
 Ruby !
 Stacy Well, you like him.
 Ruby No, I don't!
 Stacy Yes you do!
 Ruby OK, Stace.....

g)
 Zsolt What does "Chill out" mean?
 Jo Relax. "I like chilling out at the weekend".

A: Clean your bedroom room NOW!

B: OK, Mum. OK. I'll do it later. It's not dirty. Chill out!

A: What do you think of David Beckham?

B: Proper fit for an old man like him. How old is Beckham now?

A: You can have 4000 forints a month pocket money and no more.

B: Get real mum! That's so unfair! All my friends get 6000 forints.

A: See that car! It's wicked! I want to buy it!

B: Oh mum! It's a Skoda! Skodas are so naff. Buy a BMW. That's a mint car. And don't use slang – you're too old.

A: You stupid, stupid dork! You've put a virus on my computer! Oh why is my brother so stupid?

B: Oh...talk to the hand. It's your computer, your virus! Sisters! I hate them!

A: Don't wear jeans Timi. Wear a dress – it's much nicer. Be a lady! Ladies wear dresses!

B: Yeah, right, mum whatever. I look fine in jeans.

A: Here's the Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince. You want to borrow it, yeah?

B: Oh, yeah! Cool! I'll read it this weekend. Cheers!