

Instant Ideas

Authentic Teaching Materials

CONTENTS WEEK OF: 21/05/07

ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	LANGUAGE	LEVEL
Warmer (2 pages)	DISCOVERIES AND INVENTIONS: An information gap exercise based on recent science news.	Oral skills	Intermediate+
Warmer (2 pages)	SNAPSHOTS: An information gap exercise based on recent news statistics.	Oral skills	Low-Intermediate+
Listening CD Track 1 (2 pages)	EXECUTIVE PAY: Listening practice based on a programme about executive pay.	Listening skills	Low-Intermediate+
Listening CD Track 2 (2 pages)	BBC NEWS: Listening practice based on news headlines.	Listening skills	Intermediate+
Listening CD Track 3 (2 pages)	SECULAR DIVIDE: Listening practice based on a report about the conflict in Italy over civil unions.	Listening skills	Mid-Intermediate+
Listening CD Track 4 (2 pages)	MISSING FUTURE: Listening practice based on an interview about which inventions never made it.	Listening skills	Advanced
Listening CD Track 5 (3 pages)	BUSINESS NEWS: Listening practice based on recent business news stories.	Listening skills	Intermediate+
Listening CD Track 6 (2 pages)	MICHAEL BUBLÉ: Listening practice based on a song by Michael Bublé.	A study of phrasal verbs with 'see'.	Intermediate+
Reading (3 pages)	WARNING! LAWSUITS HAZARDOUS: A newspaper article about the litigious society we live in and how some companies are reacting.	A study of legal language and expressions used for logical deduction.	Mid-Intermediate+
Reading (3 pages)	MODERN ART: A newspaper article about the boom in the modern art market.	A study of question formation.	Intermediate+
Reading (3 pages)	THE MAGIC NUMBER: A newspaper article about how much money we need for retirement.	A study of which prepositions go with certain verbs.	Low-Intermediate+