

Class 3 – Answer Key

- 1. Warm-up: speaking game**
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- 3. Making and understanding new words**
- 4. Vocabulary: idioms**
- 5. Pronunciation: long and short i**
- 6. Recruiters and candidates : speaking activity**

1. Warm-up Game: Jeopardy on questions

GEOGRAPHY

100 Where is Ireland?

200 What is the capital city of the USA?

300 What is the capital city of Northern Ireland?

400 What is the longest river in the USA?

500 What is Wellington? What is special about Wellington? Why is Wellington famous?

GENERAL CULTURE

100 Which currency is used in the United Kingdom? What is the official currency of the UK?

200 What is a shamrock?

300 How many inhabitants are there in China (/in India)?

400 Who is Juliet in love with? With whom is Juliet in love?

500 When was President Kennedy killed?

FAMOUS PEOPLE

- 100 Who wrote 'The Shining'?
- 200 What and when did Christopher Columbus discover?
- 300 Who is the US Vice President?
- 400 Who is regarded as the Father of the Theory of Relativity?
- 500 Who wrote 'Tom Sawyer'?

SERIES AND TV

- 100 What is 'Squid Game'?
- 200 Where was Superman born?
- 300 What is the English title of "Les dents de la Mer"? In what movie does a shark scare the population?
- 400 Why did the Titanic sink?
- 500 Which series got its name from the leading explanation for how the universe began?

2. Pronunciation: diphthongs

- Target: Diphthong /ou/ (long O) vs. /ɔ:/ (open O).
- Drill: do not flatten the "O." Practice the "O-face" (rounded lips).
- Exercise: "The photon's motion has torque force." (Note the lip rounding on the first two, and the drop of the jaw on the last two).
- Exercise on minimal pairs. Read out loud and circle the words in which a diphthong is heard.

so / saw boat / bought law / low not / note
got / goat to own / on cost / coast known / non
odd / ode wait / wet get / gate sell / sale
pen / pain taste / test west / waist special / spatial
gel / jail tell / tale hail / hell phlegm / flame

3. How does English make new words?

Match each term below with a method of formation

1. Netflix	blending 1 3 14 16 18
2. laser	using part of a word 4 (+a lab)
3. brunch	forming a word from the letters of a phrase 2 17
4. exam	derivation (adding a prefix or a suffix) 5 9 11
5. racist	conversion (changing the way a word is used - e.g. a verb becomes a noun) 13 1 (to Google...)
6. Post-it	composition (joining two words) 12
7. ping-pong	words made with rhyming pairs 7
8. igloo	loaning (taking a word from another language) 8 10
9. atomic	using brand names 6 15
10. bungalow	
11. biohazard	
12. photosynthesis	
13. to chair	
14. K-pop	
15. kleenex	
16. workoholic	
17. yuppy	
18. blog	

laser = light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation

yuppy = Young Urban Professional

Blending: Find what words were mixed together to form another word

1. electrocute: electricity + execute
2. smog: smoke + fog
3. Oxbridge: Oxford + Cambridge
4. motel: motor + hotel
5. mansplaining: man + explaining manspreading
6. shrinkflation: shrink+inflation
7. transistor: transfer + resistor
8. pulsar: pulsating + star
9. quasar: quasi-stellar + radio
10. avionics : Aviation + Electronics

Derivation:

Derivation consists in adding a prefix or a suffix to a root to make a new word.

- Adding prefixes - example

hyper	tonic
iso	
hypo	

o having equal measurements = isometric (cf equi hemi semi)

o the fact of having your blood sugar level lower than the standard range =
hypoglycemia

Adding prefixes and suffixes - example

Endo inside – more medical	therm	al
Exo outside		
Geo (earth)		
Hydro (water)		ic
Meso (middle)		
Iso (from Greek, equal)		

Conversion with suffixes

Verb	Noun forming suffix	Noun
diffuse	-ion	diffusion
mix	-ure	mixture
measure	-ment	measurement
analyse	-is	analysis
survive	-al	survival

resist	-ance	resistance
insulate	-or	insulator

Adjective	Noun forming suffix	Noun
soluble	-ity	solubility
frequent	-cy	frequency
soft	-ness	softness

Exercise on derivation. Complete the following sentences by adding prefixes or / and suffixes to the words in brackets

- a. June Huh was speechless when he realized he had been awarded the Fields Medal.
- b. Realizing the hopelessness of the situation, they gave up.
- c. The student felt uncomfortable after behaving abnormally.
- d. Hold this test tube carefully!
- e. The assistant pretended to misunderstand my instructions.
- f. The rainforest is a beautiful but unfriendly place.
- g. The bad weather discouraged the students from going out.

4. Idioms related to language

It's (all) Greek to me.	C'est du chinois.
It's Double Dutch. (mostly UK)	C'est du charabia. (UK)
A slip of the tongue	Un lapsus. (un lapsus révélateur : A Freudian slip /'frɔɪ.di.ən slɪp /)
Bite your tongue!	Tu ferais mieux de te taire au lieu de dire des âneries.
The pen is mightier than the sword.	La plume est plus forte que l'épée.
We speak the same language.	Nous sommes d'accord. Nous raisonnons de la même façon sur ce sujet.

5. Pronunciation: long i vs. short i

- Target: /ɪ/ vs /i:/.
- Drill: Kinetic (short) vs. Heat (long).
- Exercise: leave – live – hit – heat – pit – Pete – lick – leak – wick – weak - "Ki-ne-tic e-ner-gy rea-ches the fi-eld." "The heat hit me."
- Bonus: What is the French translation of the last sentence in my list? J'ai été frappée par la chaleur (passé car "hit" not « hits »).