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Chapter 1, Vocabulary 1

1.

- Excuse, me. Which train goes to the Natural History Museum?
- Take line A to Midtown Crossing. Then transfer to the C line and go to Connelly Square.

You can walk to the museum from there.

– Thank you very much.

2.

- Could you help me, please? I'm looking for the 2:00 bus to Washington, D.C.

- It leaves from this gate, but it's running late.

– Oh, OK. Thank you.

3.

- Do you know the gate for Flight 54 to Los Angeles?

- No. But you can check the monitors over there.

– Oh, yes. Thank you very much.

4.

- Excuse me. Is this train going to Vermont?

- No, this is the train to Buffalo, NY.
- Oh.Where do I catch the train to Vermont?
- On track 8.

Chapter 1, Vocabulary 3

1. The 9:00 bus to Des Moines is boarding at Gate 14. This is an express bus making no stops. Expected arrival in Des Moines is midnight.

2. Your attention, please. This train will not stop at 34th street. The 34th Street station is closed. Last stop is 23rd Street. The doors are closing.

3. Attention all passengers on AirUS Flight 87, delayed service to Montreal. This flight will now board at 8:30 with an expected departure of 9:00. This is one hour behind schedule.

4. The 8:00 train to Baltimore is boarding on Track Number Nine. Attention all passengers for Baltimore. The 8:00 train for Baltimore is now boarding.

Chapter 1, Conversation 1

– Is the train to Paris on time?

– No, it's running about ten minutes late.

Chapter 1, Conversation 2

- Excuse me, is there a bus to the airport?
- Yes, but it takes about two hours to get there.
- That's too long. My flight is at noon.
- You can take the train. It's faster.
- How long does that take?
- About 45 minutes.
- That's much better than the bus. How often do the trains run?
- I think they run every half hour.
- That's great. I'll catch the next one.
- Good luck!

Chapter 1, Comprehension 1

Husband: OK, the Bedford Resort is available from the 9th to the 16th of April.

Ellen: How long does it take to get to the ski slopes from the resort?

Husband: About 10 minutes.

Ellen: Let's reserve a room.

Husband: Done. Now let's look for air fares.

Ellen: Well, we're leaving from Laguardia Airport.

Husband: And we're flying into Denver.

Ellen: Is there a morning flight on the 9th?

Husband: Here we go. TransAmerican Airlines Flight 62 departs from Laguardia at 7:30 a.m. and arrives at Denver at 9:50.

Ellen: Oh. The tickets are \$699.00. That's a little expensive.

Husband: Skypass has a flight in the morning. It leaves at 8:00 a.m. and arrives at 10:15.

Ellen: Ooh, and the tickets are only \$469.00 round trip. Let's get them.

Chapter 1, Speaking / Role Play

- Excuse me. How often does the shuttle to the airport run?
- Every half hour.
- And how long does the trip take?
- About 30 minutes.
- Is it free?
- No, the fare is \$22.00.
- \$22.00? That's expensive.
- You can take the subway for just \$2.00, but the trip takes almost an hour.
- Thanks. I think I will take the subway.

Chapter 2, Vocabulary 1

1.

- I work for a pharmaceutical company.

- What does your company do?

2.

- I work for a telecommunications company.

- What does your company do?

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3.

– I work for a clothing manufacturer.

- What does your company do?

4.

- I work for a financial services company.

- What does your company do?

5.

- I work for a software development company.

- What does your company do?

Chapter 2, Vocabulary 4

1. I'm a network manager. I work with computers.

- 2. I interview job candidates and train new employees.
- 3. I'm the controller at Bostek, Inc.
- 4. I plan advertising campaigns at my company.
- 5. I travel a lot and sell products to our clients.

Chapter 2, Conversation 1

- What kind of company do you work for?
- I work for a financial services company.

Chapter 2, Conversation 2

- What kind of company do you work for?
- I work for a hospital.
- What do you do there?
- I manage the accounting office.
- Is it hard work?
- It's not difficult, but there's a lot of it.

- Do you have to work late a lot?
- Quite a bit, yes. But I don't mind.
- How do you balance your work and home responsibilities?
- I'm single, so I don't have very many responsibilities at home.

Chapter 2, Comprehension 1

- Hi, Helen.
- Hi, Lou. What's up?
- Not much. So how do you like your new job? You're in human resources, right?
- Yes, I'm a human resources specialist.
- So what do you do exactly?
- Well, I look for job candidates for our company. I travel to job fairs and university campuses.
- I interview candidates for new positions and I also supervise new employee training programs.
- Do you have to deal with employees' problems?

- Not very often. That's not really part of my job description, thank goodness. I wouldn't like doing that.

- Me, neither. Actually, I'm having some problems at my job at the moment.
- Oh, no. What's wrong?
- I have too much work, and my supervisor keeps adding to my workload.
- What kinds of things do you do?
- Well, I schedule and organize all our conferences and trade shows. And I usually have to write the presentations for the conferences. Lately, I've had to manage all the development work of our company's website, too. I can't do it all.
- That sounds stressful.
- It is. I'm thinking about looking for a new job.

Chapter 2, Speaking / Role Play

- What kind of company do you work for?
- I work for an Internet service provider.
- What do you do there?
- I work in customer service.
- Do you speak with customers on the phone?
- No, I'm responsible for online requests and complaints.
- Do you like your work?
- It's interesting. Every day is different.
- Do the customers ever get angry?
- Oh, yes, sometimes. That can be a little stressful.

Chapter 3, Vocabulary 2

- 1. a comb
- 2. a razor
- 3. tooth paste
- 4. a hair brush
- 5. soap
- 6. a tooth brush

Chapter 3, Vocabulary 4

- 1. Should we pack some warm clothes for the hiking trip?
- 2. Do I need to pack a swimsuit?
- 3. Why did you bring a credit card?
- 4. What's the weather going to be like?
- 5. Should I pack my laptop in case I need to do some work?
- 6. Do I need to take an umbrella?

Chapter 3, Conversation 1

- What should I pack?
- You should enough clothes for four days.

Chapter 3, Conversation 2

- So you're going to Boston tomorrow. Are you excited?
- Yes, I am. The conference is going to be very interesting.
- Are you going to have any free time during the trip?
- I'm going to have most of the day free on Sunday.
- Then you should go on the Freedom Trail.
- I'd like to. I'd also like to visit the Museum of Fine Arts.
- That's a good idea. It's a wonderful museum.
- Is the North End of the city near the museum?
- No, but Boston's not very big, so you can easily visit both.
- Well, I'll let you know how the trip goes.
- Sounds good. Have a great time!

Chapter 3, Comprehension 2

- Hi, Rita.
- Hi, Jack. What's new?
- I'm getting ready for vacation.

- Really? Where are you going?
- To Canada. I have family there.
- Where in Canada?

- Well, I'm flying into Toronto. I'm going to spend a few days there with my sister. Then we're going to drive to Montreal. My brother lives there.

- Is it a long drive from Toronto to Montreal?
- It takes about six hours.
- What are you going to do there?

– We don't have too many plans. But we're definitely going to go to the Jazz Festival. We go every year.

- Sounds like fun. Are you going to go on any tours?

- Probably not. I know both cities pretty well. I'm going mostly to spend time with my brother and sister.

– Well, I hope you have a wonderful time.

– Thanks, Rita. I'm sure we will.

Chapter 3, Speaking / Role Play

- So what are you going to do on your vacation?
- We're going to Hawaii. I'm so excited!
- Oh, that's wonderful.
- Yes, I'm going to spend every day at the beach.
- The beaches are beautiful, but you should also go hiking.
- Hiking in Hawaii? Really?
- There are great hiking trails in Oahu and on the big island.
- Maybe we should think about that. We are going to be in Oahu.
- Diamond Head is a popular hike in Oahu.
- Well, I'll pack some hiking boots, just in case.
- Have a great time!

Chapter 4, Vocabulary 1

1.

- Would you like anything to drink with your meal?
- Just some ice water, please.

2.

- Housekeeping.
- Come in. Hi. Could you leave me some extra towels, please?

3.

- Where would you like me to put your luggage, sir?
- Right here will be fine, thank you.
- 4.
- There's no need to change the sheets when you clean the room today.
- Very good. Thank you, sir.
- 5.
- Hello. How can I help you?
- Hello. This is room 211. Could I have a wake-up call at 6:30 a.m., please?

6.

- Could you please send up a turkey sandwich to Room 717?
- Right away.
- 7.
- Can I carry that upstairs for you?
- Oh, no thank you. It isn't heavy at all.
- 8.
- Could you arrange a bus tour for our family?
- Yes, of course. Which parts of the city would you like to see?

Chapter 4, Grammar 2

- 1. I'd like to reserve three double rooms, please.
- 2. Do you take American Express?
- 3. Can you e-mail me a copy of the bill?
- 4. Could you please connect me with Room 342?
- 5. Is there a good French restaurant near the hotel?
- 6. May I have your credit card number, please?

Chapter 4, Conversation 1

- Do you have any single rooms available?
- No, we have only double rooms.

Chapter 4, Conversation 2

- Hilltop Hotel. May I help you?
- Yes, I'd like to make a reservation for this weekend.
- For how many nights?
- Two, please. Friday and Saturday nights.
- We have rooms available on Saturday, but not on Friday.
- How about Sunday?

- Yes, we have rooms available Sunday night.
- All right. Let's make it Saturday and Sunday then. And what is the rate?
- \$150 a night.
- Is breakfast included in the rate?
- Yes, we serve breakfast from 6 to 9 a.m.

Chapter 4, Comprehension 1

Receptionist: Good evening. Welcome to The Warwick. How can I help you?

Mr. Chambers: I'd like to check in

Receptionist: Do you have a reservation?

Mr. Chambers: Yes.

Receptionist: And your name?

Mr. Chambers: Chambers.

Receptionist: Ah yes, here it is, Mr. Chambers. May I have your credit card, please?

Mr. Chambers: Of course. Here it is.

Receptionist: Please sign here. ... OK. You're all set. Here's your card. Here's your room number.

And your key. The elevators are to your right.

Mr. Chambers: Thank you.

Receptionist: Would you like your bags brought up to your room, sir?

Mr. Chambers: No, this is all I have. I'll take them up.

Receptionist: Enjoy your stay.

Mr. Chambers: Thank you.

Chapter 4, Speaking / Role Play

- Good morning. I'd like to check out.
- Could I have your room number, please?
- Room 308. Robert Hawkins.
- Did you enjoy your stay?
- Yes, I did. Thank you very much.
- Could you sign here, please? Thank you.
- Could you please call a taxi for me?
- Of course. And shall I call a bellman for your bags?
- Yes, please. I have one other suitcase upstairs.
- Very good.

Chapter 5, Vocabulary 2

- Our special today is the spicy chicken.

- That sounds good. Is the chicken fried?
- No, it's baked. And the vegetables are boiled.
- OK. I'll have the chicken special.
- Is that all?
- -Yes.
- And for you, sir?
- I'd like the steak medium, please.
- Would you like roasted potatoes with that?
- Yes, please. And can I also have the sweet and sour soup?
- Yes, I'll bring it right out.

Chapter 5, Vocabulary 3

Alex: I don't eat a lot of vegetables, and I never eat salads. I like steaks and meat dishes. I also love sweet foods like ice cream, candy and cake. But I try not to eat too much of them. I also eat a lot of fruit.

Gina: I don't eat any meat, not even fish. I'm a vegetarian, so I eat a lot of vegetables. I also like to eat salads, beans, and sometimes pasta. I don't eat much fruit. I love salty foods, like pretzels and nuts.

Chapter 5, Grammar 1

- 1. Ben's Diner is more popular than Al's Grill.
- 2. The hamburger and the salad are \$5.00 each.
- 3. I eat sushi once a week, and I eat fast food once a week.
- 4. Margaret is a better cook than Paul.
- 5. An espresso is stronger than a cappuccino.
- 6. Tofu is healthier than French Fries.

Chapter 5, Conversation 1

- What kind of food do you feel like having?
- I feel like having some seafood.

Chapter 5, Conversation 2

- Do you feel like going out for dinner tonight?
- I don't know. Where would we go?
- How about Casa Mia for a pizza?
- I had pizza for lunch.
- Well, then, how about the new steakhouse downtown?

- No, I feel like having a light dinner.
- Do you want to go to the vegetarian place for a salad?
- The salads there aren't as good as the salads you make.
- Well, we could stay home, and I could make us a salad.
- That sounds great.
- All right. You take care of the drinks, and I'll start working on that salad.

Chapter 5, Comprehension 1

Marta: So tell me, what do you think of Brian? What you don't like him?
Michelle: No. Yes, I like Brian, but the soup is too hot. Can I have some bread please?
Marta: There isn't any left. You're food is always either too hot or too spicy.
Michelle: That's not true. I like spicy food.
Marta: Yeh, I know.
Michelle: Um. Can I have some salt, please. This soup isn't salty enough.
Marta: Wait. My soup's too salty.
Michelle: Lets' switch.

Chapter 5, Speaking / Role Play

- I'm starving.
- Me, too. Do you want to order lunch?
- Sure. Let's get something from the new Mexican place.
- Their food is a little too spicy for me.
- Then how about a pizza?
- Mmm. Pizza sounds good.
- I'll call Pizza-to-Go. What would you like on it?
- How about peppers and onions?
- Great. Do you like olives?
- I do, but not on pizza.
- OK. One medium pizza with peppers and onions.

Chapter 6, Quiz 3

1.

- I can't make this afternoon's status meeting, Joan.
- That's ok. Is something wrong?
- I have to pick my son up at school. He's not feeling well.
- OK. I understand. I hope he feels better soon.

2.

- How's your burrito?
- It's not spicy enough.
- Ask the waiter for some hot sauce.
- Good idea.
- 3.
- So what department do you work in at Telemark?
- Human Resources.
- What do you do there?
- I'm responsible for the company's training programs.
- 4.
- Excuse me, I'm looking for accessories.
- Women's or men's?
- Men's.
- They're downstairs on the ground floor.
- 5.
- Hello. This is Room 309. Could I order room service?
- Yes, of course. What would you like?
- A pizza, please.
- We'll bring it right up.

Chapter 7, Vocabulary 3

- 1. I have a sore throat.
- 2. I have a headache.
- 3. I have a stuffy nose.
- 4. I have a toothache.
- 5. I have the flu.
- 6. My stomach hurts.

Chapter 7, Conversation 1

- I have a terrible stomachache.
- I hope you feel better soon.

Chapter 7, Conversation 2

- Good morning. Martin Realty.
- Hello, Mr. Martin. This is Anna Bailey.
- Anna, you sound terrible. What's wrong?
- I have an awful cold.

- Well, don't come in today. You should stay home and rest.
- OK. Thank you, Mr. Martin. Good-bye.
- Bye, Anna. Get well soon.

Chapter 7, Comprehension 1

Dr. Anderson: Blood pressure normal. Temperature 99.8.
Marta: It was 101 yesterday.
Dr. Anderson: That's very high. What other symptoms do you have?
Marta: I just don't feel well at all, Dr. Anderson
Dr. Anderson: What do you mean?
Marta: My whole body aches and my head hurts.
Dr. Anderson: Here, let me see. Yes, your glands are swollen. Sound like you have the flu. You should go home and rest. You have to drink plenty of liquids. Tea with honey. Juice.
Marta: But I have to work.
Dr. Anderson: Work can wait. You have to get better first.

Chapter 7, Speaking / Role Play

- You don't look so good. Are you OK?
- I feel a little sick.
- Is it your stomach?
- No, I have a headache and a sore throat.
- Would you like some aspirin?
- No, I just took something a few minutes ago.
- $-\operatorname{Maybe}$ you should go home and rest.
- I have to finish the report for Mr. Stewart today.
- Well, I hope you feel better soon.
- Thanks.

Chapter 8, Vocabulary 1

- So, Tina, did you do have a nice weekend?
- Yes, I did. I read a great book, and I surfed the Internet for some travel ideas.
- Did you stay in all weekend?
- No, I went to the movies with a friend Saturday night.
- What did you see?
- I saw April Fool.
- Oh, I saw that two weeks ago. It was terrible, wasn't it?
- Yeah, it was pretty bad. What did you do this weekend?

- Saturday night I went to a concert and then a party after that.
- Sounds like fun.
- Then I played tennis with my brother Sunday morning. I was so tired.
- Poor guy. I'm playing golf with my dad next Sunday.
- I didn't know you were a golfer.

Chapter 8, Grammar 2

- 1. Andrea is a serious violinist.
- 2. Peter's artwork isn't complete yet.
- 3. Tom is a very slow chess player.
- 4. My usual art theme is nature.
- 5. Tim is a good golfer.
- 6. We used to be regular poker players.

Chapter 8, Conversation 1

- What do you do in your free time?
- I like to play board games with my children.

Chapter 8, Conversation 2

- What do you do in your free time?
- I enjoy playing games.
- Computer games?
- No, not computer games. Games like chess, checkers, and backgammon.
- Did you know that you can play all those games on the Internet?
- Really? How does it work?
- You select your skill level and you play against the computer.
- I'm sure I can't beat the computer.
- Well, you can also play with other people live over the Internet.
- $-\,I$ think I prefer to play the old-fashioned way and actually see the other player.

Chapter 8, Comprehension 1

- This is Steven Mitchell of WBTZ News. I'm meeting today with Shelly Atkins, a well-known artist in the area. Thank you so much for joining us today, Ms. Atkins, and for agreeing to tell us more about the work you do.

- It's my pleasure.
- How would you describe your work?
- Well, there are two parts to my art -- collecting and making. First, I collect the things that interest

and inspire me. Then I try to make something with them.

- What exactly do you collect?
- I collect the things people throw away. You might call me a garbage collector.
- And what do you with this "garbage"?
- It depends. Sometimes I use just a part of what I find. Other times I use the entire piece.
- And what about your audience? Do people take your work seriously?

- Many don't, especially in this small town. But there are some galleries in New York and a few other cities that are interested in my work. Children, too, are a wonderful audience for it.

- What do you mean?

- Well, I teach art classes at two or three schools in the area, and I use a lot of recycled materials with the students. I show them what beautiful and valuable things people throw away.
- For example?
- Pieces of jewelry, colored glass, even money.
- And this is the material you use to create your art?

-Yes, that's right.

- That's fascinating. How can our listeners see your work?

– There's going to be a local art show from May 2 to June 5. I'll have a few pieces there. I also have a

website — fromgarbagetoart.com. There are photos of my work on the site.

- Well, thank you, Shelly Atkins, for taking the time to talk with us today.
- I've enjoyed it very much. Thank you for having me.

Chapter 8, Speaking / Role Play

- What are you doing this weekend?
- I'm staying home.
- Really? What are you going to do?
- I'm going to organize my record collection.
- You collect records? What kind?
- Mostly old jazz and blues recordings.
- You must have a lot of CDs.
- I have a few, but mostly I collect older recordings.
- How do you find them?
- I talk to other collectors and record store owners. It's a lot of fun.

Chapter 9, Vocabulary 3

- 1. David: I run and lift weights Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays before work.
- 2. Sharon: I take an aerobics class every day except Sunday.
- 3. Tanya: I go to the gym during my lunch break at work.

- 4. Carlos: I play tennis on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday nights.
- 5. Joyce: I have dance class two nights a week.

Chapter 9, Grammar 3

- 1. Philip can't go bicycling this weekend, can he?
- 2. Nadia isn't trying to lose weight, is she?
- 3. Kevin and Michael are joining the soccer team, aren't they?
- 4. I'm not really out of shape, am I?
- 5. Jonathan used to play tennis, didn't he?

Chapter 9, Conversation 1

- What do you do for exercise?
- I like to go dancing with my girlfriend.

Chapter 9, Conversation 2

- You work out a lot, don't you?
- Yes, I love going to the gym.
- I need to start going to the gym myself.
- You should come to my gym. It's great.
- But it doesn't have a pool, does it?
- Yes, it does. And it has exercise classes for all levels.
- That sounds perfect for me. Could I go with you sometime this week to take a look at it?
- Sure. I go almost every night after work, so any day is fine for me.
- How about tomorrow then?
- OK. Stop by my office at 5:30.

Chapter 9, Comprehension 1

Michelle: I love riding the bike. It's great exercise, isn't it?

Marta: Yeh. Great. Can we go home now?

Michelle: Go home? We're just getting started.

Marta: Ohhh.

Michelle: Don't worry. We're going to do some weight training now.

Marta: That's not too hard, is it?

Michelle: No. You'll start easy. Just thirty pounds.

Marta: Oh, that doesn't sound too bad.

Michelle: You have to lift the weight ten times, then rest.

Marta: Ten times?

Michelle: Yes. Then you rest and do it again. Rest and repeat. Got it?

Marta: I don't know.

Michelle: You'll feel so much better after you work out. You trust me, don't you?

Marta: I guess. ... Can we go to the café and get some dessert after this?

Michelle: Yes. ... Good. That's great.

Chapter 9, Comprehension 2

– Welcome to Sports Extra. Today we're speaking to Amanda Fletcher, Extreme Sportswoman. So, Amanda, what extreme sport are you going to tell us about today?

- I'd like to talk about mountain climbing. But I don't think of climbing as extreme. And I don't even think of it as a sport really. For me, it's a hobby.

- But mountain climbing can be very dangerous, can't it?

- Well, it can be. You have to prepare for climbs, both mentally and physically.

- Do you have any tips for beginning climbers?

- First you need to be in excellent shape. You should start doing some kind of aerobic exercise 30-60 minutes a day three to four months before your first climb. The more exercise you do, the better you will be prepared when you start to climb.

- Is weight training necessary?

- It will certainly help, but it's not as important as aerobic training.

- And you should check with your doctor, right?

- Yes, you should always see a doctor before starting any new exercise routine.

- Is it OK to climb by yourself?

– No, it's not a good idea at all. I never climb alone. And even when climbing with a friend, you should tell other people where you will be and when you will return.

– Why is that?

- Well, inexperienced climbers get lost a lot, especially in bad weather. If you have trouble on the mountain, you want people to know where to look for you. You don't want a group of forest rangers looking for you in a helicopter, do you?

- I know I don't! Thank you so much, Amanda, for speaking to us about climbing today.

– You're very welcome. It's been a pleasure.

Chapter 9, Speaking / Role Play

– Good afternoon, Fitness Factory.

- Hi, I'd like some information about your club.
- Sure. We have a pool and two weight rooms.
- Do you have aerobics classes?
- Yes, there are several classes every day.

- Could you send me a schedule, please?
- Take a look at our website. It's fitnessfactory.com. All the information is there.
- Great. You don't have yoga classes, do you?
- Yes, we do. You'll see those on our website, too.
- Perfect. Thanks for the information.
- You're welcome. By the way, the first visit to the club is free. So come by anytime.
- OK. Great. Thanks again. Good-bye.

Chapter 10, Vocabulary 1

- 1. kitchen
- 2. bathroom
- 3. bedroom
- 4. living room
- 5. garage
- 6. dining room

Chapter 10, Vocabulary 4

1. I spend a lot of time in this room. I don't have much in here — just my desk, my computer, and a lot of books. The kitchen is right next door, so I don't have to go far for a snack.

2. The room is a little small, but I don't mind. It's just for sleeping anyway. There's my bed, a dresser, and a closet for my clothes — and that's it.

3. I spend a lot of time in here, and so does my family. I love to cook. We have a big table here where the whole family can sit together. It's nice.

4. This is my favorite room in the house. My stereo system is here and my books. And the sofa is very comfortable. I listen to music and read for hours here.

Chapter 10, Grammar 3

- 1. I like my bedroom the most.
- 2. It has two bedrooms, a big kitchen, and a beautiful view of the city.
- 3. It's small, but there's room for a sofa, and there's a wide window along the wall.
- 4. I like to relax and spend time with my family.
- 5. It's a very pretty and quiet part of town.

Chapter 10, Conversation 1

- What do you like to do in your living room?
- I like to read the newspaper on my comfortable sofa.

Chapter 10, Conversation 2

- What's Mary's new apartment like?
- It's very small.
- Really? Her last apartment was big.
- But this new apartment is in a much better neighborhood.
- That's good. How many rooms does it have?
- One small bedroom, a living room, a tiny kitchen, and a bathroom.
- Does she still have all those shelves of books?
- Yes, there are bookshelves along every wall of the living room and bedroom.
- That reminds me. I need to return some books to her.
- I don't think she has room for them!

Chapter 10, Comprehension 1

(It went well. Yeah. No. OK. Probably tomorrow. Great. Thanks, bye-bye.) Ellen: Well, guys, before we start our status meeting, I have some news for you. We're moving. Marta: Where? Ellen: To a new office complex. Brian: Where is it? Ellen: It's only a few blocks away. I saw the space yesterday. Marta: What's it like? Ellen: It looks nice. It's bright and spacious. All the offices have big windows. Brian: How's the coffee? Ellen: I'm not sure, but there is a big kitchen on every floor. Brian: That sounds good. Ellen: And there's an employee dining room. Marta: Great. Ellen: And there's a gym in the building Brian: Excellent. I love going to the gym after work. Ellen: We're also getting new furniture. I'll pass around this form. Please let me know if you have any special requests. Brian: What do you mean? Ellen: Well, what kind of table would you like? Do you need extra lamps? Extra bookcases?

Marta: Sounds great.

Chapter 10, Speaking / Role Play

- How's the new house?

- It's great. It's so much bigger than our apartment was.

- What's it like?
- Well, we have a living room, a dining room, a large kitchen, three bedrooms, and two bathrooms.
- That sounds big and nice.
- And we have a pool.
- Wow! Do the kids like to swim?
- Yes, a lot. And Pat likes working in our new garden.
- It sounds perfect for your family.
- It is. We're very happy with it.

Chapter 11, Grammar 3

1. Gasoline used to cost \$1 per gallon. Now it costs around \$4 per gallon.

2. The Baker family used to live in a two-bedroom apartment. Now they live in a three-bedroom apartment.

3. Last week it rained every day. This week we've had rain two or three days, but we've also had some sunny weather.

4. In the 1990s, I had a lot of computer problems. Nowadays, I hardly ever have problems.

5. We had a lot of traffic on our way to work. There's a little less now.

Chapter 11, Conversation 1

- How did people use to stay in touch?
- They used to write each other letters.

Chapter 11, Conversation 2

- What a great song. It brings back memories.
- You know this song, Peter?
- Yes, of course. I used to listen to it on my record player.
- A record player? Really? Do you still have one?
- Sure, I do. I still have a lot of records.
- I never used a record player when I was kid.
- What about cassettes? Did you ever use them?
- Oh, yes. I remember listening to cassettes when I was a kid.
- I have a few cassettes, but I don't listen to them anymore.
- Do you ever download songs?
- No, I don't. But I think I'll try it one of these days.

Chapter 11, Comprehension 1

- Did you have a computer when you were in college, Ed?

– No, I don't think anyone at my university had his own computer. I used to go to a computer lab to do my assignments.

- A computer lab?

- Yes, you know — a room filled with computers. I remember waiting in line — sometimes for maybe an hour or more — to use a computer. I saved all my assignments to floppy disks. But the computers often got viruses, and we would lose our work. It was so much more difficult back then.

- Did you use to check your e-mail at the computer lab, too?
- Yes, but people didn't send each other many e-mails in the 80s.
- What do you mean?
- E-mail wasn't so popular then.
- How did people stay in touch?
- Phones I mean regular phones at home. No one had cell phones.
- No cell phones? I can't even imagine that.

Chapter 11, Speaking / Role Play

- What did you like to do when you were little?
- I used to spend hours and hours reading.
- How old were you?
- Five or six.
- You were reading books when you were five years old?
- Well, I loved books, so I really wanted to learn to read.
- Do you read a lot now?
- Oh, sure. Maybe a book a week. What about you?
- $-\,I$ didn't read very much when I was a kid.
- No? What did you do?
- I spent a lot of time playing video games.
- Do you still play?
- Not so much anymore. I'm busy catching up on my reading.

Chapter 12, Quiz 3

1.

- Hi,Meg, what's the matter?
- I think I have the flu, Dr. Grant.
- You shouldn't go to work today.
- But I'm meeting a client at 3:00.
- 2.
- There she goes again. She just scored another point.

- She's great, isn't she?
- Well, she should be. She practices for hours every day.
- 3.
- Wow. What a great weight room!
- Thank you. We have state-of-the-art equipment.
- It's impressive.
- We also have an Olympic-size pool.
- 4.
- Come in. Let me show you around.
- What a beautiful home!
- Thank you. We designed the kitchen ourselves.
- 5.
- Why are you washing the dishes?
- The dishwasher is still broken.
- That's annoying.
- It's no big deal. When I was young I used to wash the dishes all the time.