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The 4 page 60 minute ESL British English lesson – 15/11/16

## Donald Trump to be the new US President

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### SPEAKING – WARM UP

Think of three things you know about Donald Trump. Go round the room swapping details with others.

### LISTENING – WRITING - DICTATION

The teacher will read some lines of the article slowly to the class.

### READING

Students should now read the article aloud, swapping readers every paragraph.

### SPEAKING - UNDERSTANDING

**1) The article** – Students check any unknown vocabulary or phrases with the teacher.

**2) The article** - Students should look through the article with the teacher.

- 1) What is the article about?
- 2) What do you think about the article?
- 3) Was this an easy or difficult article to understand?
- 4) Was this a boring or interesting article?
- 5) Discuss the article.

**3) Article quiz** - Students quiz each other in pairs. Score a point for each correct answer. Score half a point each time you have to look at the article for help. See who can get the highest score!

#### Student A questions

- 1) Who is Donald Trump?
- 2) Who is Hillary Clinton?
- 3) Name the political parties.
- 4) How many presidents have there been so far in the USA?
- 5) How old is Mr Trump and Mrs Clinton?

#### Student B questions

- 1) What does 'BREXIT' mean?
- 2) What has BREXIT got to do with the US election result?
- 3) Who are back-tracking and why?
- 4) What does 'backtracking' mean?
- 5) What does 'anti-establishment' mean?

**Category: USA / Donald Trump / US Presidency**  
**Level: Intermediate / Upper Intermediate**

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### WRITING / SPEAKING

*In pairs.* On the board write as many words as you can about '**Donald Trump**'. *One-two minutes.* Compare with other teams. Using your words compile a short dialogue together.

### WRITING / SPEAKING

*In pairs* – Think of three things advantages of Donald Trump being President. Write them below. Discuss!

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

Add three disadvantages of Donald Trump being president. Discuss!

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

Add three things Donald Trump will do once he becomes president. Explain and discuss!

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

### SPEAKING - ROLEPLAY 2

*In pairs* - *Student A* is a journalist. *Student B* is US Vice President elect Mike Pence. You are discussing the US election. *3 mins.*

### DISCUSSION

#### Student A questions

- 1) What do you think about what you've read?
- 2) Who did you support in the US presidential election?
- 3) Why was the world shocked when Donald Trump won?
- 4) Are Donald Trump's sceptics right to be sceptical about him?
- 5) Are you happy about the US Presidential result? Explain.
- 6) Is Mike Pence the right man to be Vice President? Explain.
- 7) What will Hillary Clinton do now?
- 8) How does President Obama feel about Donald Trump?
- 9) Donald Trump has upset many-including: many non-white people, women, etc. How do they feel about Donald Trump now?
- 10) Have you learnt anything today?

### SPEAKING – ROLEPLAY 1

*In groups.* One of you is the interviewer. The others are one of the following people. You are in the *DABC* radio studio in New York. Today's interview is: *Donald Trump to be the new US President.*

- 1) A famous US celebrity who was anti-Trump.
- 2) A BBC/CNN biased news journalist who supported Hillary Clinton.
- 3) An ordinary US citizen who voted for Trump.
- 4) A Republican who was anti-Trump.

*The teacher* will choose some groups to roleplay their interview in front of the class.

### SPEAKING - ROLEPLAY 2

*In pairs* - *Student A* is a Democrat. *Student B* is a Republican. You are discussing the US election. *3 mins.*

### SPEAKING - DISCUSSION

*Allow 10-15 minutes* – As a class.

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#### How has the world reacted to the news?

*The teacher* can moderate the session.

### DISCUSSION

#### Student B questions

- 1) Did the headline make you want to read the article?
- 2) Why are world leaders squirming to reverse what they said about Donald Trump?
- 3) How does the establishment view Donald Trump?
- 4) Do you need to have government experience to run the USA?
- 5) Why has the stock market recovered so quickly?
- 6) Why did so many American celebrities side with Hillary Clinton?
- 7) Will these celebrities now leave the USA, after saying that they would do so, if Donald Trump was elected?
- 8) What made the American voters vote for Donald Trump? Explain.
- 9) What is your opinion of Donald Trump?

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**GAP FILL: READING**

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The (8)\_\_\_ for Mr Trump, 70, has surprised many. The polls got it all wrong, just like they did with BREXIT. Mr Trump's improvised style and rise was missed by the experts, but appealed to the disillusioned voters. Mr Trump's sceptics watched, with alarm, as the results came in.

***triumph / previously / derogatory / pundits / hate / convulsions / upset / win***

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***reverse / rival / sectors / property magnate / forgotten / volatile / bind / president***

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**GAP FILL: LISTENING**

**WRITING/SPELLING**

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**WRITING / SPEAKING**

**1) On the board** - *In pairs/As a class*, list 20 things you know about: **Donald Trump**. *One-two minutes. Talk about each of them.*

**2) On the board** - *In pairs/As a class*, list 10 differences between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump. *Discuss together.*

**3) Sentence starters** - Finish these sentence starters. Correct your mistakes. Compare what other people have written.

- 1) Donald Trump \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Hillary Clinton \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) The US election \_\_\_\_\_

**4) Write down 50 words about: *Donald Trump to be the new US President*.** Your words can be read out in class.

**5) Homework** - Write and send a 200 word email to your teacher about: **Donald Trump to be the new US President**. Your email can be read out in class.

**SPELLING**

The teacher will ask the class individually to spell the following words that are in the article. Afterwards check your answers.

- 1) magnate
- 2) president
- 3) thought
- 4) convulsions
- 5) throughout
- 6) derogatory
- 7) candidate
- 8) stunning
- 9) establishment
- 10) pundits

**SPELLING**

Use the following ratings:

- Pass = 12**
- Good = 15**
- Very good = 18**
- Excellent = 20**

- 11) wrong
- 12) business
- 13) experience
- 14) previously
- 15) forgotten
- 16) wounds
- 17) division
- 18) volatile
- 19) surprisingly
- 20) disillusioned

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