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The 4 page 60 minute ESL British English lesson – 05/03/15

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SPEAKING – WARM UP

Think of three things you know about James Bond. 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) Name the actor who plays James Bond.
- 2) Name the new movie.
- 3) Name the actress.
- 4) Name the river.
- 5) Name the producer.

Student B questions

- 1) Name the countries.
- 2) What does James Bond drink?
- 3) What car does James Bond drive in this movie?
- 4) How many James Bond movies have been made so far?
- 5) What does Spectre mean?

Category: Movies / James Bond / Spectre
Level: Intermediate / Upper Intermediate

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WRITING / SPEAKING

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

WRITING / SPEAKING

In pairs choose three things you know about 'M'. Write them below. Talk about them!

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Add three things you about 'Q' Discuss together.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Add three things you know about the new movie *Spectre*. Discuss together.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

The teacher will choose some pairs to discuss their findings in front of the class.

SPEAKING – WRITING - BOND MOVIES

In pairs / As a class – Write down your favourite five James Bond movies. Talk about them. 3-5 mins.

DISCUSSION

Student A questions

- 1) What do you think about what you've read?
- 2) Are you a James Bond fan?
- 3) Will you be going to watch the new James Bond movie?
- 4) Which is your favourite Bond movie?
- 5) Which cinema did you visit to see your first James Bond movie?
- 6) Which cinema today do you watch movies at?
- 7) Would you like to be in a James Bond movie?
- 8) What does 007 mean?
- 9) Has this been a difficult lesson?
- 10) Have you learnt anything in today's English lesson?

SPEAKING – ROLEPLAY 1

In groups. One of you is the interviewer. The others are one of the following people. You are in the English language radio studio at *Rome FM* in Rome. Today's interview is about: *Cobblestones defeat Bond shoot in Rome.*

- 1) A Bond enthusiast who watched the scenes being filmed along the Tiber.
- 2) Daniel Craig.
- 3) Sam Mendes.
- 4) Monica Bellucci.

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

SPEAKING – ROLEPLAY - PLAY

In pairs / mini groups – Student A is James Bond, Student B is Q, Student C is M, Student D is a Bond villain (choose one), Student E is a member of Spectre (You could be also be a Bond girl!). Imagine your own plot in your own version of Spectre – the movie. Make it up...

SPEAKING - DISCUSSION

Allow 10 minutes – As a class.

Discuss the following...

Spectre – Daniel Craig – The best James bond –
 The worst James Bond – The best Bond movie –
 The worst Bond movie – the best Villain – the most
 memorable villain and why? – Sam Mendes –
 Monica Bellucci – Bond's women – Ian Fleming

The teacher can moderate the session.

DISCUSSION

Student B questions

- 1) Did the headline make you want to read the article?
- 2) Do you drink Martini shaken not stirred?
- 3) How has Bond changed over the years?
- 4) Have you ever driven an Aston Martin?
- 5) Would you like to own an Aston Martin?
- 6) Have you ever been to Rome? Explain.
- 7) Would you like to attend the movie premier of Spectre?
- 8) What do you know about the Aston Martin DB10?
- 9) What generally happens to Bond girls?
- 10) Did you like this discussion?

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GAP FILL: READING

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curious / audio / unforeseen / suit / matter / dismay / spy / cobblestones

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actress / latest / originally / shoot / shaken / novels / seduce / movie

GAP FILL: GRAMMAR

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WRITING/SPELLING

WRITING / SPEAKING

1) On the board - *In pairs*, list 20 things you know about James Bond. *One-two minutes. Talk about each of them.*

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

- 1) Daniel Craig _____
- 2) The new movie _____
- 3) James Bond _____

3) Homework - Write and send a 200 word email to your teacher about: **James Bond.** Your email can be read out in class.

GAP FILL READING

- 1) cobblestones
- 2) unforeseen
- 3) spy
- 4) dismay
- 5) audio
- 6) matter
- 7) suit
- 8) curious

ANSWERS

- 1) novels
- 2) originally
- 3) shoot
- 4) movie
- 5) latest
- 6) seduce
- 7) actress
- 8) shaken

SPELLING

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

- 1) movie
- 2) cobblestones
- 3) producers
- 4) noisy
- 5) recently
- 6) spy
- 7) across
- 8) audio
- 9) dismay
- 10) scenes

SPELLING

Use the following ratings:

Pass = 12

Good = 15

Very good = 18

Excellent = 20

- 11) novels
- 12) originally
- 13) shoot
- 14) Morocco
- 15) Spectre
- 16) Executive
- 17) intelligence
- 18) seduce
- 19) widow
- 20) techniques

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