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The 4 page 60 minute ESL British English lesson – 20/06/13

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SPEAKING

Think of three things you know about YouTube. 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 webpage!
- 2) How much will the pilot scheme cost per month per channel?
- 3) Name the popular video.
- 4) Who owns YouTube?
- 5) What are there widespread doubts on?

Student B questions

- 1) Name the three types of ads.
- 2) What is the good news?
- 3) You turn clicks into what?
- 4) What two things do you need?
- 5) What was written on its blog?

Category: YouTube / Business / Entertainment
Level: Intermediate / Upper Intermediate

WRITING / SPEAKING

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

WRITING / SPEAKING

YouTube turns clicks into cash! - *In pairs* choose three things from the article.

Write them below.

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

Add three other types of advertising outlets. Discuss together.

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

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

SPEAKING - MARKETING

In pairs / groups – Look at the following forms of media.

Television / Radio / Cinema / Internet / Newspaper-magazines / Billboards / Other

Student A – You are going to be promoting a new James Bond movie. *Student B* – You are promoting a new car. Talk about how you promote your new product using the above.

DISCUSSION

Student A questions

- 1) Did the headline make you want to read the article?
- 2) Do you prefer to spend time on your computer or watching TV?
- 3) Would you pay US\$0.99 to watch a YouTube channel that used to be free?
- 4) Are you creative? Explain.
- 5) Is YouTube too big now?
- 6) Are you one of the billion people who watch YouTube every month?
- 7) How often do you watch YouTube?
- 8) When could you use the word BINGO?
- 9) What do you think of Google?
- 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 *BBC TV Washington* studio. Today's interview is about: *YouTube turning clicks into cash!*

- 1) A creative person
- 2) A YouTube spokesperson
- 3) Someone who watches YouTube
- 4) A blogger

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

SPEAKING - ROLEPLAY 2

In pairs. You are in an internet café with a friend. Start a conversation about YouTube. *5 mins.*

SPEAKING

On the board – 10 things about what YouTube offers video makers. Talk about them.

SPEAKING – DISCUSSION - BUSINESS

On the board – 10 reasons YouTube is good for businesses.

SPEAKING - DISCUSSION

Allow 10 minutes – As a class.

Discuss the following...

YouTube – How has it changed?

The future?

The teacher can moderate the session.

DISCUSSION

Student B questions

- 1) What do you think about what you've read?
- 2) What do you watch on YouTube?
- 3) Do you skip the ads on YouTube?
- 4) Are ads necessary? Explain.
- 5) What do you think of YouTube expanding like it has?
- 6) Do you have a YouTube channel?
- 7) What is your most popular video?
- 8) Have you ever made a video and uploaded it?
- 9) Has this been a difficult lesson in English for you to understand?
- 10) Did you like this discussion?

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ads / webpage / viewers / monetise / profile / BINGO / banner / revenues

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free / dedication / output / subscription / billion / pilot / blog / creativity

GAP FILL: GRAMMAR

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whilst / this / these / that / your / those / most / when

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GAP FILL: LISTENING

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WRITING/SPELLING

WRITING / SPEAKING

1) On the board - *In pairs/As a class* - list ten of your favourite webpage's. Talk about them. *One-two minutes.*

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

- 1) I watch _____
- 2) YouTube _____
- 3) I like YouTube _____

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

GAP FILL READING

- 1) webpage
- 2) monetise
- 3) profile
- 4) bingo
- 5) revenues
- 6) banner
- 7) ads
- 8) viewers

ANSWERS

- 1) dedication
- 2) subscription
- 3) pilot
- 4) creativity
- 5) blog
- 6) output
- 7) billion
- 8) free

SPELLING

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

- 1) webpage
- 2) popular
- 3) highly
- 4) widespread
- 5) watch
- 6) really
- 7) monetise
- 8) channel
- 9) clicks
- 10) banner

SPELLING

Use the following ratings:

Pass = 12

Good = 15

Very good = 18

Excellent = 20

- 11) successful
- 12) example
- 13) original
- 14) subscription
- 15) whether
- 16) scheme
- 17) revenue
- 18) creativity
- 19) blog
- 20) beginning

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