



LISTENING COMPREHENSION

9.2

► Listen and complete the following sentences choosing from the given options.

- 1) Sylvia Plath was
a a British poet and novelist. b an American poet and novelist.
- 2) She received the Pulitzer Prize for her poetry
a the same year she died. b many years after her death.
- 3) Her first poetry collection was published
a in 1960. b in 1963.
- 4) Sylvia Plath was diagnosed with clinical depression
a at the age of 32. b at the age of 20.
- 5) She worked for a while
a at *Ladies' Day* magazine. b at *Mademoiselle* magazine.
- 6) *The Bell Jar* is
a a novel. b a poetry collection.
- 7) *The Bell Jar* was published in 1967
a under Sylvia Plath's name. b under the pseudonym Victoria Lucas.
- 8) Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were
a a real-life American couple. b fictional characters.
- 9) Sylvia Plath was married to
a English poet Ted Hughes. b English actor Daniel Craig.
- 10) A 2003 biographical film on Sylvia Plath was entitled
a *Sylvia*. b *Ariel*.

THE BELL JAR

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VOCABULARY

9.1

► Read the quotes from the novel and find the words that mean:

- 1) (adjective) of a colour intermediate between red and blue
- 2) (noun) soft pear-shaped fruit with sweet flesh and containing many small seeds
- 3) (verb) form lines or folds (especially in the skin)
- 4) (verb) fall making a sound like that of something dropping into water
- 5) (adjective) strange, odd or unusual
- 6) (adjective) oppressively hot and humid
- 7) (verb) kill by causing electricity to flow through body (as in an electric chair)
- 8) (adjective) expressionless
- 9) (verb) begin to grow, germinate
- 10) (adjective) covered with short, stiff hairs
- 11) (noun) bunch of straight hair or feathers etc.
- 12) (noun) act of taking in or expelling air from the lungs

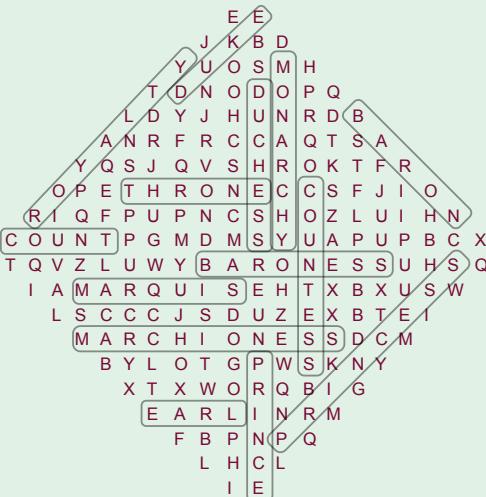
THE "KATE EFFECT"

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6.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) chilly: cold - warm
- 2) late: deceased - alive
- 3) capable: skilled - inept
- 4) coincidental: casual - intentional
- 5) luxurious: opulent - frugal
- 6) hard: difficult - simple
- 7) authentic: genuine - fake
- 8) popular: well-liked - despised
- 9) bland: unexciting - interesting
- 10) nervous: agitated - relaxed
- 11) practical: hands-on - theoretical

6.2 WORDSEARCH



6.3 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) c, 2) b, 3) c, 4) a, 5) a

6.4 SPOT THE MISTAKE!

- 2) pregnancy, 3) harbinger, 6) storm, 8) coincidental, 9) homelessness, 10) unfolding, 11) strategy, 13) vilified, 15) wholesome, 16) resourceful, 18) taught, 20) childhood, 22) enthusiasm, 23) steadily, 24) painfully, 25) backlash, 28) challenge, 29) playfully, 30) inexorably, 32) approach

THE WOLVES ARE BACK!

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7.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) g, 2) d, 3) h, 4) a, 5) f, 6) c, 7) j, 8) i, 9) e, 10) b

7.2 TRUE OR FALSE?

- 1) F, 2) T, 3) T, 4) T, 5) F, 6) T, 7) T, 8) F, 9) T, 10) T, 11) T, 12) T

7.3 VOCABULARY

- 1) big bad wolf, 2) lone wolf, 3) wolf in sheep's clothing, 4) to cry wolf, 5) to throw someone to the wolves, 6) to keep the wolf from the door, 7) to wolf something down

7.4 SONG

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| (1) eyes | (9) you | (17) crying |
| (2) one | (10) down | (18) to |
| (3) truth | (11) moon | (19) my |
| (4) wine | (12) get | (20) never |
| (5) summer | (13) every | (21) am |
| (6) stars | (14) too | (22) come |
| (7) through | (15) for | (23) way |
| (8) with | (16) through | (24) alone |

IAN MCEWAN

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8.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) humanoid robot
- 2) prime minister
- 3) climate change
- 4) anti-Brexit
- 5) North Africa
- 6) global event
- 7) single father
- 8) world stage
- 9) chronological order
- 10) photographic memory
- 11) freak accident
- 12) Berlin Wall
- 13) family life
- 14) non-linear structure
- 15) piano teacher
- 16) firm grip

8.2 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) b, 2) a, 3) b, 4) c, 5) b

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9.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) purple, 2) fig, 3) to wrinkle, 4) to plop, 5) queer, 6) sultry, 7) to electrocute, 8) blank, 9) to sprout, 10) bristly, 11) tuft, 12) breath

9.2 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) b, 2) b, 3) a, 4) b, 5) b, 6) a, 7) a, 8) a, 9) a, 10) a

