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# 教材简介

《剑桥国际英语教程》是专为非英语国家的学习者编写的大型英语教程,是国际上最受欢迎、最有影响的英语教材之一。教程的内容包括听、说、读、写四种技能,同时进行语言训练和词汇扩展,尤其强调听说技能和英语交际能力的培养。本书主要使用美国英语,但是其内容并不局限于某个国家、地区或文化,而是反应了英语作为国际交流用语的丰富性和多元性。

《剑桥国际英语教程》由两个系列丛书组成,共分六级。New Interchange 系列包括四个级别,即入门级、1级、2级、3级; Passages 系列包括两个级别,为 New Interchange 的后续高级教程。

《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5 级 (Passages) 是适合中高级水平英语学习者使用的综合教程。它为完成了《剑桥国际英语教程》3 级 (New Interchange 3) 学习的学生提供继续学习的课本,并与其内容紧密结合,前后融会贯通。

# 课时安排

《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5 级提供了60至90小时的课堂教学材料。在有更多课时的情况下,教师用书中的扩增活动练习可以延长每单元课时。学期时间较短时,可减少花费在阅读、写作、扩增活动练习和做练习册的时间。

# 教材组成

# ● Student's Book 学生用书(彩色)

学生用书包括 12 个学习单元 (每单元 8 页) 和 4 个复习单元 (每个单元 4 页)。每单元练习分为两个主题课。每 3 个单元后有一个复习单元;书后还附有语法扩展项目。

### ● Teacher's Manual 教师用书

教师用书包括详尽的教学指导、每单元讲解、辅助活动建议、完整的练习答案以及听力活动的录音文本。 书后附有练习册的答案。

# ● Workbook 练习册

练习册通过形式多样的练习,加强学生的语法、阅读、写作和词汇能力。每**单元**6页,与学生用书同步并行。练习册既可在课堂上使用,也可作为家庭作业。

### ● Class Audio Cassettes 录音带

录音带供在教室或语言实验室中使用,包括听力练习的录音。尽管朗读者以现代北美口音为主,但在必要时也有各种非英语国家人的口音。凡有录音的练习均标注有 😭 符号。

# ● Teacher's Resource Pack 教师资源包

《教师资源包》由两部分组成:教师培训教材(含2张VCD)和评估测试包(含2张CD)。教师培训教材专为即将使用或正在使用《剑桥国际英语教程》的教师而设计,提供实际课堂操作经验。通过观看世界各地多种多样的教学情境和教学方法,教师可以明确教学重点、掌握教授《剑桥国际英语教程》的多种教学方法,并

形成和发展自己独特的教学观点。评估测试包帮助教师有效地评估学生的英语水平。它包括:帮助教师在课程 开始前评定学生的英语能力的"定级测试",及帮助教师了解学生对所学内容的掌握程度的"成果测试"两种 (涵盖六级教材)。测试题型包括:听力、阅读、口语。

● Student's Book with Class Audio CD 学生用书 (附课堂用 CD) 包括学生用书和课堂用录音 CD。

# 单元组织

学习用书中的每一单元都围绕一个中心话题或主题编写,分为两部分课程(课文 A 和课文 B),每课共 4 页,互为补充,从不同视角来掌握单元主题。例如,5 级中第 4 单元的标题为"迷信和信仰"。在前 4 页的课程中,学生一起讨论普遍的迷信现象,并根据各自的文化背景来描述不同的信仰,讨论之后完成相关内容的问卷。后 4 页的课程题为"信不信由你",主要内容包括民间故事、传说和神话。在此课中,学生可以发现很多神奇的现象和不同的信仰。

教程采用以下结构:

## 课文 A:

第一页:通过听力和口语练习引入第一课的话题。

第三页:从语法练习过渡到交际活动。

第三页:提供进一步的听力和口语练习。

第四页:写作练习教授实用的写作及作文技巧。

#### 课文 B:

第一页,通过听力和口语练习引入第二课的话题。

第二页:从语法练习过渡到交际活动。

第三页:提供进一步的听力和口语练习。

第四页:通过阅读文章提高阅读技巧并鼓励讨论。

# 教学法

《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5 级注重培养中高级至高级水平学习者英语的流利性和准确性。本教程适合已学习了一段时间英语并在总体语言技能方面有较好基础的学生。他们现在需要通过以下几方面技能训练来扩展交际能力.

- 拓宽用英语进行讨论和理解的话题范围
- 增强语法知识及其运用
- 扩展词汇知识及其运用
- 流利地讲英语,即在说话时不出现不必要的停顿或断句即可表达很多想法

• 准确地讲英语,即在说话时运用恰当的语音和语法

为教授这些技能、《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5级围绕以下几方面使用交际教学法:

- 引出扩展学生口语和语法技能的话题
- 为学生提供机会完成分组进行的交换信息和协商含义的交际任务
- 通过引出的活动培养学生对语法和谈话语言的掌握以及对示范句型的掌握,然后提供机会在真实交谈环境中练习运用所学知识

与此同时,以话题为推动力的教材大纲,为最大限度地展现学生个性和反应的语言课程提供了丰富的信息来源。

# 练习类型

《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5级练习类型如下:

# Information-based tasks 信息任务题

这些任务展现真实世界中的信息(如调查、真实教学活动、短文)。这些信息常常是一课书的开始,并使学生对全课基础的话题产生兴趣并有所反应。

### Oral exercises 口语练习

这些练习由训练流利性的两人和小组活动组成,包括讨论任务、排序活动、课堂调查以及其他鼓励交换信息的活动。

### Listening exercises 听力练习

这些练习出现在每课的第一页或第三页上,拓展各项听力技能,如听大意、听细节信息和听推断。听力材料 均在英语国家和英语为第二语言国家人的面谈和讨论的真实录音基础上,经过编辑和重新录制而成,更加清晰。

# Grammar exercises 语法练习

语法练习集中在对中高级至高级水平学习者很重要的语法项目上。这些练习旨在:

- 说明学生在之前已经遇到过的某些结构和语法项目的其他一些更复杂的用法
- 扩展学生的语法知识, 作为口语和写作的基础

《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5级的语法部分以结构用法开始,把学生从控制练习过渡到在交际环境中的结构运用。

## Reading exercises 阅读练习

阅读文章由原文改编而成,更加清晰。课前阅读和课后阅读任务使学生充分利用阅读文章,并提高阅读技能,如跳读、浏览和推断,同时可以激发课堂讨论。

### Writing exercises 写作练习

每单元包括一页的写作练习。在《剑桥国际英语教程》5级中,学生学习使用主题句、确定中心思想和写作素材以及组织段落。学生从写短文开始,本书结束时会写三段式文章。

# Vocabulary exercises 词汇练习

每单元词汇练习扩展学生在词组、同义词和反义词以及习语和搭配方面的知识。

# Grammar extensions 语法扩展

语法扩展位于全书最后,对学生用书中介绍的语法结构进行扩展说明。

# 作者的话

我们的目标是《剑桥国际英语教程》4&5级可以提供给学生生动有趣的主题,使英语学习充满乐趣。同时还提供给学生在真实生活交际中所需的工具。我们希望你们喜欢这本书,并期待您对本教程提出宣贵的意见和建议。

Jack C. Richards Chuck Sandy

# Introduction

Passages is a two-level multi-skills course for upper-intermediate to advanced-level students of North American English. It provides an ideal follow-up for students who have completed a beginning to intermediate course, and is carefully coordinated to function as a sequel to New Interchange, one of the world's most successful English courses for adult and young adult learners of English.

The course covers the four skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing, while giving systematic attention to grammar and vocabulary. *Passages* seeks to develop both fluency and accuracy in English through a topic-based syllabus. The topics are of high interest to students and provide maximum opportunities for personalization and discussion, promoting the development of both linguistic and communication skills.

# Course Length

Each level of *Passages* provides material for 60 to 90 hours of class instruction. In situations where more time is available, the Teacher's Manual provides Optional Activities to extend each unit. Classes with shorter semesters can reduce the amount of time spent on Reading, Writing, Optional Activities, and the Workbook.

# Course Components

The **Student's Book** contains 12 eight-page units and four review units. The exercises in each unit are grouped into two thematic lessons. There is a review unit after every three units; there's also a set of Grammar Extensions at the back of the book.

The **Teacher's Manual** contains detailed suggestions on how to teach the course, unit-by-unit notes, numerous suggestions for optional follow-up activities, complete answer keys, and transcripts of the listening activities. Answers to Workbook exercises are found at the back of the book.

The **Workbook** provides a variety of exercises that develop students' proficiency with the grammar, reading, writing, and vocabulary in the Student's Book. Each six-page unit follows the same teaching sequence as the Student's Book. The Workbook can be used for classwork or for homework.

The Class Audio Programs are for use in the classroom or language laboratory. They contain the recordings or CDs for the listening exercises. Although the speakers primarily model North American accents, nonnative varieties of English are also used where appropriate. Exercises that are recorded are indicated with the symbol

#### Teacher's Resource Pack

This contains multiple versions of a placement test designed to identify the appropriate level of *New Interchange* or *Passages* for students entering a program. The Package also offers review tests and mid-term and final exams for each level of *New Interchange* and *Passages*, enabling teachers to determine how successfully the students have mastered the material. All tests are photocopiable and an audio cassette is provided for the listening sections.

# **Unit Organization**

Each unit of the Student's Book is organized around a central topic or theme and is divided into two four-page lessons (Lessons A and B), which complement each other by treating the unit topic from a different perspective. For example, Unit 9 in this book is entitled "Putting the mind to work." The first four-page lesson, "Exploring creativity," focuses on the topic of creativity and jobs. In this lesson, students describe jobs that require creativity, take a quiz, and find creative solutions to difficult problems. In the second four-page lesson, "Ideas that work," products and services that have changed our lives are highlighted. For this lesson, students explain why new products are invented and choose inventions that have had a great impact on society.

The following unit structure is used throughout the course:

#### Lesson A

page one: Fluency activities introduce the topic of the first lesson through listening and oral work. page two: Grammar exercises provide controlled practice leading to communicative activities. page three: Fluency pages provide further listening practice and oral work. page four: Writing exercises teach practical writing and composition skills.

#### Lesson B

page one: Fluency activities introduce the topic of the second lesson through listening and oral work. page two: Grammar exercises provide controlled practice leading to communicative activities. page three: Fluency pages provide further listening practice and oral work. page four: Reading passages develop reading skills and stimulate discussion.

# Approach and Methodology

Passages seeks to develop both fluency and accuracy at the upper-intermediate to advanced level of proficiency. The course is based on the assumption that students have studied English for a number of years and have a good foundation in general language skills. They now need to extend their communicative competence by developing their ability to:

- expand the range of topics they can discuss and comprehend in English
- extend their knowledge and use of grammar
- broaden their knowledge and use of vocabulary
- speak English fluently, i.e., express a wide range of ideas without unnecessary pauses or breakdowns in communication
- speak English accurately, i.e., use an acceptable standard of pronunciation and grammar when communicating

To teach these skills, *Passages* uses a communicative methodology that centers around:

- presenting topics that extend students' oral and grammatical skills
- providing students with opportunities to carry out communicative tasks in pairs and groups that require exchange of information and negotiation of meaning

 developing students' control of grammar and conversational language through activities that present and model language patterns, and then provide opportunities to practice them in authentic communicative contexts

At the same time, the topic-driven syllabus provides a rich source of information as a source for language lessons that allow the maximum amount of student personalization and response.

# **Exercise Types**

The following exercise types are used throughout *Passages*:

#### Information-based tasks

These tasks present real-world information (e.g., surveys, realia, short texts). They often begin a lesson and are designed to generate students' interest in and reaction to a topic that forms the basis of the lesson.

#### Oral exercises

These exercises consist of fluency-focused pair and group activities, including discussion tasks, ranking activities, class surveys, and other activities that encourage an exchange of information.

# Listening exercises

These exercises appear on fluency pages (page one or page three of each lesson) and develop a variety of listening skills, such as listening for general ideas, listening for specific information, and inferencing. The listenings are based on authentic recordings of interviews and discussions with native and second-language speakers of English. They have been edited and rerecorded for clarity.

### Grammar exercises

The grammar exercises focus on areas of grammar that are important at the upper-intermediate to advanced levels. These include exercises that seek to:

- illustrate how structures and grammar items that students may have previously encountered can be used in more complex ways
- expand students' grammatical resources as the basis for both speaking and writing

The grammar sections in *Passages* begin by showing how a structure is used and then take students from controlled practice to use of the structure in a communicative context.

# Reading exercises

Readings are adapted from a variety of authentic sources and edited for clarity. Pre-reading and post-reading tasks allow students to fully utilize the reading passages and to develop reading skills, such as skimming, scanning, and making inferences. They also stimulate class discussion.

#### Writing exercises

Each unit contains one page of writing activities. In this book, students learn about using topic sentences, identifying main ideas and supporting details, and organizing paragraphs. They move from writing short paragraphs to composing a three-paragraph composition by the end of the book.

# Vocabulary exercises

Vocabulary exercises in each unit develop

students' knowledge of lexical sets, synonyms and antonyms, as well as idioms and collocations.

#### Grammar extensions

Grammar extensions are located at the back of the book. They expand on the grammatical structures introduced in the Student's Book.

# From the Authors

It has been our goal with *Passages* to provide stimulating subject matter that will make learning English fun while at the same time giving students the tools they need to communicate in the real world. We hope that you enjoy *Passages* and look forward to hearing your comments on the course.

Jack C. Richards Chuck Sandy

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# Plan of the Book

**FUNCTIONS GRAMMAR** VOCABULARY Unit 1 · Friends and family pages 2-9 What kind of person · Describing personalities Gerunds Adjectives describing · Expressing likes and dislikes Noun clauses after be personality traits are you? Describing personal change Stating advantages and disadvantages Every family's different. · Talking about rules Unit 2 Education and learning pages 10-17 · Stating facts How can schools be · Should and ought to in Collocations relating to Making recommendations the active and passive improved? Describing processes and strategies Infinitives and gerunds Giving reasons and purposes to talk about how to do What's the best way · Talking about hopes and dreams things to learn? · In order to and so that Unit 3 💌 Cities pages 18-25 Defining and Fascinating destinations · Describing and giving information · Nouns referring to about places non-defining features of a city It's my kind of city. Stating preferences relative clauses Nouns relating to · Presenting contrasting information quality-of-life issues Order of adjectives Categorizing and evaluating issues Connecting contrasting ideas Review of Units 1-3 pages 26-29 Unit 4 = Day and night pages 30-37 · Describing daily routines and Your energy profile Time relationships Collocations referring · Clauses stating reasons to sleep and dreams · Giving advice 💷 Sweet dreams and conditions · Explaining reasons and conditions · Giving interpretations of meaning Unit 5 🏿 Generally speaking pages 38-45 · Comparing customs and habits What's typical? Showing contrast · Adjectives describing · Presenting contrasting information emotional reactions and exception Topics of concern Making generalizations Quantifiers · Nouns referring to · Discussing concerns and offering Conditional sentences public concerns solutions · Describing a mental process Unit 6 • Interpersonal communication pages 46-53 · Describing types Making conversation · Infinitive and Adjectives describing gerund phrases Talking about appropriate behavior positive and negative · Starting a conversation Personal secrets · Reported speech feelings Making small talk · Reporting what someone else has said

Review of Units 4-6 pages 54-57

| DISCUSSION   | LISTENING  | WRITING  | READING   |
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| <ul> <li>Finding out what personality traits you have in common with your classmates</li> <li>Studying personality profiles</li> <li>Talking about how you have changed or how you would like to change</li> <li>Comparing families</li> <li>Talking about rules in your family</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Three young people describe how they have changed</li> <li>Two people compare similarities and differences between their families</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Identifying the main<br/>idea in a paragraph</li> <li>Writing a paragraph<br/>about your most<br/>positive or negative<br/>quality</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>"Upside-Down Families":<br/>Families where the<br/>children have too much<br/>control</li> </ul>   |
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| <ul> <li>Making suggestions to improve schools</li> <li>Explaining how school prepares young people for life</li> <li>Stating your goals for the future</li> <li>Discussing different ways to learn something</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Two young people explain<br/>how they developed<br/>personally at college</li> <li>Three people describe<br/>the strategies they used to<br/>learn something new</li> </ul>           | <ul> <li>Choosing topic<br/>sentences</li> <li>Writing a paragraph<br/>about your<br/>educational beliefs</li> </ul>                                   | <ul> <li>"Home Schooling: A<br/>Growing Trend":<br/>Advantages and<br/>drawbacks of educating<br/>children at home</li> </ul>   |
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| <ul> <li>Explaining why you'd like to visit a particular city</li> <li>Choosing the right city for a particular purpose</li> <li>Deciding which city is best to live in</li> <li>Evaluating your hometown</li> <li>Discussing quality-of-life issues</li> </ul>                            | <ul> <li>A TV show introduces two exciting cities</li> <li>Two foreign students explain what they like about their host city</li> <li>Two New Yorkers talk about life in their city</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Creating topic<br/>sentences</li> <li>Writing a paragraph<br/>about a place you<br/>know</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>"Get Yourself Lost": The<br/>best way to enjoy sight-<br/>seeing in a new place</li> </ul>   |
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| <ul> <li>Imagining the experience of living abroad</li> <li>Telling how a trip you took could have been better</li> <li>Explaining your travel preferences</li> </ul>   | Three travelers describe<br>personal mishaps  | about traveling or<br>living abroad  |  |

# Unit 1 Friends and family



# What kind of person are you?



# Tell me about yourself.

# starting point

A How true are these statements for you? Complete the quiz. Then add two more items about yourself.

| Personality Quiz  | definitely<br>true | generally<br>true | definitely not true |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| I enjoy walking on the beach at sunset.     I avoid showing others what I'm feeling.     I can't stand waiting for people.     I like to make a daily schedule. |                    |                   |                     |
| 5. I love finding solutions to problems. 6. I enjoy spending hours on the phone. 7. I don't mind listening to people's problems.                                |                    |                   |                     |
| 8. I like to have lots of friends.<br>9. I love to accomplish goals.<br>0. I'm interested in visiting unusual places.   |                    |                   |                     |
| 1   |                    |                   |                     |
| 2   |                    |                   |                     |

**B** Pair work Compare your responses to the quiz. How are they different?

**C** Group work Join another pair. Use the statements in Exercise A to explain these personality traits. Give additional examples.

adventurous impatient practical romantic sympathetic ambitious organized reserved sociable talkative

A rom**antic pers**on is the kind of person who enjoys walking on the **beach at** sunset and dreaming about the future.



# What do you have in common?

# discussion

**Pair work** Choose another partner. Find two personality traits that you have in common. Find one way that you're different.

- A: So, tell me about yourself.
- B: Well, I'm pretty reserved.
- A: Really? So am I. I like spending time by myself.
- B: I do, too. I love . . .

## Agreeing

So am I. (I am, too.)
I'm exactly the same way.
So do I. (I do, too.)
Neither can I. (I can't either.)

# Disagreeing

That's not true for me. I'm not at all like that. Really? I don't. Oh, I can.



# grammar focus

## Gerunds

## A gerund always follows these verbs.

I enjoy meeting unusual people.

I dislike spending a lot of time by myself.

I don't mind waiting for people.

I avoid talking on the phone.

## An infinitive or gerund can follow these verbs.

I like going/to go to parties.

I love watching/to watch movies alone.

I hate waiting/to wait for people.

I can't stand staying/to stay home alone.

# A gerund is often the object of a preposition.

I'm interested in meeting unusual people.

A Pair work How do you feel about these things? Write sentences using gerunds or infinitives from the grammar box. Then discuss with a partner.

1. talk on the phone

I love to talk on the phone for hours.

- 2. go to big parties
- 3. eat a lot of junk food
- 4. learn about computers
- 5. go to places where I have to use my English
- 6. meet people from different cultures
- 7. talk about my private life with my friends
- 8. date someone who likes to dress differently



I hate going to big parties because I'm shy. I never know what to say.

I love to eat a lot of junk food, especially when I go to the movies.

**B** Pair work Now write six more sentences about yourself. Use the verbs in the grammar box. Then compare with a partner.

I enjoy staying home on weekends. It's the only time I can relax.

I avoid speaking in front of large groups. It makes me nervous.



# Who would you like to know?

### discussion

A Read these personality profiles prepared for the "personals" section of the newspaper. Which person would you most like to meet? Which person is most like you?

# **Student**Talkative and fun. Avid pet lover. Hate to cook.

# Musician

Ambitious artist. Dedicated stamp collector. Enjoy playing rugby.

# Lawyer

Very organized. Fan of old movies. Love to travel.

# Computer programmer Incurable romantic.

Nature lover.
Interested in learning a new language.

**Class activity** Write a personality profile for yourself without signing your name to it. Your teacher will mix up the profiles and distribute one to each student. Ask questions around the class to match the profile you were given with its writer.

Do you enjoy listening to classical music?



# Time for a change

# listening

A Group work What are some ways that people change over time? Can you give examples of people you know?

B Listen to how Luis, Celine, and Diana have changed in the last five years. Why did they decide to change? Complete the chart.



Listen again. What does each person still want to change?

|                 | Luis | Celine | Diana |
|-----------------|------|--------|-------|
| Wants to change |      |        |       |

# How have you changed?

### discussion

A How have you changed in the last five years? What do you want to change now?

| Describing how you've changed       |                           |                                 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| I used to be, but now I'm           | Three things I've changed | Three things I'd like to change |
| I'm more now. I enjoy               | to All Barriers           |                                 |
| Describing how you'd like to change |                           |                                 |
| I'm interested in                   |                           |                                 |

**B** Pair work Compare charts with a partner. Ask follow-up questions.

A: Five years ago I was pretty shy. I'm more outgoing now.

B: Really? How did you change?

A: Well, I joined some clubs, made some new friends, and . . .

# Main ideas in paragraphs



The main idea is usually found in the first sentence of the paragraph. This sentence is called the *topic* sentence.

**A** Underline the main idea in each of these paragraphs. Then compare with a partner.

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I think my most positive quality is that I'm very practical. I'm the kina of person who enjoys solving difficult problems, and I love discovering solutions to things. People always come to me when they don't know how to fix something. For example, two days ago my father's computer suddenly stopped working, and he asked me to figure out the problem. His computer is a powerful one. It took me only 15 minutes. I loved every minute of it.

My most negative quality is that I'm an extremely disorganized person. My apartment is always a mess, and I can never find anything, which is very frustrating. My sister is very neat. Last week I finished my homework assignment and then misplaced it. I couldn't find it in all the clutter, so I had to redo it! My disorganization is getting to be a big problem in my life. I'd love to change, but I don't really know where to begin.



- Read the paragraphs again. Is there any information that doesn't relate to the main idea of the paragraph? Cross it out. Then compare with a partner.
- C Think about your own positive and negative qualities. Make a list. Then decide which quality is most positive and which is most negative. Circle each one.
- **D** Write a paragraph about either your most positive or your most negative quality. Make sure your paragraph has only one main idea.
- **Pair work** Exchange your paragraph with a partner, and answer these questions.
- 1. Is there any information that doesn't relate to the main idea? Cross it out.
- 2. What are some other ways your partner is . . . ?



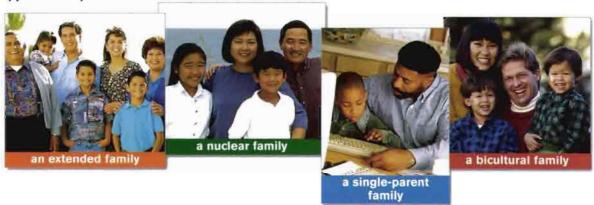
# Every family's different.



# Let me tell you about my family.

# starting point

**A Group work** Look at these different types of families. Can you explain what these terms mean? What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of each type of family?



An advantage of having an extended family is that you always have a baby-sitter in the house.

| В | Pair | work | What's your | family l | ike? ( | Choose | at least | five | questions | to | discuss. |
|---|------|------|-------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|------|-----------|----|----------|
|   |      |      |             |          |        |        |          |      |           |    |          |

|     | What | type | of  | family | v do | vou | come   | from? |
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- ☐ What's something unusual or special about your family?
- What are some rules that people have to follow in your family?
- How does your family celebrate birthdays?
- ☐ Is there a holiday your family always celebrates together?
- Who do you talk to in your family when you have a problem?
- ☐ What's the best thing about spending time with your family?
  - What's the worst thing?
- If you have any brothers or sisters, what things do you enjoy doing together?
- Do you have a close relationship with the other members of your family?
- What's an advantage of being close to one's family?
- ☐ Who takes care of the children in your family?



# How are their families different?

# listening

A \_\_\_\_\_ Listen to Paul and Andrea talking about their families. What are two things that are different about their families? Complete the chart.

| Paul | Andrea           |
|------|------------------|
| 1.   |                  |
| 2.   | <b>等类的发展的影响。</b> |
|      |                  |

**B** Pair work Is your family similar to Paul's or Andrea's? If so, how? If not, how is it different?



# grammar focus

### Noun clauses after be

That in noun clauses after be is optional. Notice the prepositions that are used with the following nouns.

An advantage of having an older brother is (that) you always have someone to help you. The best thing **about** having brothers and sisters is **(that)** you're never lonely. A problem with having lots of brothers and sisters is (that) you don't get a very big allowance.

- A Complete these sentences. Then compare with a partner.
- 1. An advantage of having an extended family is . . .
- 2. The worst thing about being a parent is . . .
- 3. The best thing about having a nuclear family is . . .
- 4. A disadvantage of being an only child is . . .
- 5. The worst thing about living near your parents is . . .
- A problem with being the oldest child is . . .
- 7. The best thing about having a supportive family is . . .
- **B** Now combine these sentences, and complete them. Then compare with a partner.
- 1. I'm the most talkative person in my family. It's an advantage.

An advantage of being the most talkative person in your family is that you get a lot of attention.

- 2. I'm the youngest in my family. It's a disadvantage.
- 3. I'm a twin. It's an advantage.
- 4. I have young parents. It's an advantage.
- 5. I work in the family business. It's a disadvantage.
- 6. I live alone. It's a problem.
- 7. I have a large family. It's a disadvantage.
- **C** Read the results of this survey question. What do you think? Write two advantages and two disadvantages of living away from one's parents.

Do you think children should live away from their parents after age 18?

> Yes 69% No 29% Not sure 2%



# Your place in the family

**discussion** A Check the sentences that apply to you.

| О   | ur | family | always | discusses | proble | ms frankly | when | they | come | up. |
|-----|----|--------|--------|-----------|--------|------------|------|------|------|-----|
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My parents were very strict when I was a child. Both my parents have always worked.

I don't live with my parents.

I got along with my brothers and sisters when we were young.

I never share personal secrets with my brothers and sisters.

I always talk to my parents before making major decisions.

☐ I don't plan to follow in my parents' footsteps.

**B** Group work Talk about the advantages and disadvantages of the situations you checked in Exercise A.

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# Describing parents and children

# vocabulary

A Look at these adjectives. Which do you think are positive (+)? Which are negative (-) or neutral (N)? Compare your answers with a partner.

| active      | generous      | mischievous | sensible   |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------|
| adventurous | inexperienced | patient     | strict     |
| frank       | innocent      | responsible | supportive |

**B** Which words in Exercise A describe parents? Which describe children? Are there any adjectives that can fit under both categories? Can you think of two more words to add to each list?

| Parents | Children |
|---------|----------|
|         |          |

Can you think of an opposite for each word in Exercise A?

**D** Pair work Choose an adjective to describe each person in your family. Ask follow-up questions.

A: My father is very supportive.

B: In what way?

A: For one thing, he . . .



# Family rules

# discussion

**Group work** What rules do you have in your family? Discuss these topics and add others. Are there any rules your families all share? Make a list.

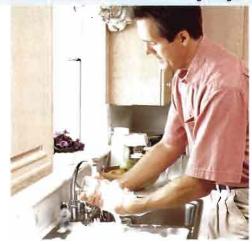
- o doing household chores
- o coming home late
- preparing meals
- watching TV
- talking on the telephone
- using the bath or shower
- settling disputes
- using the family car

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During the school year, I wasn't allowed to watch TV until I finished my homework.

In our family, we all have weekend chores. For example, I have to wash the dishes and take out the garbage.



# Parents and children

# reading

A Pair work Discuss these questions. Then read the article, and compare your ideas to the author's.

- 1. Look at the title of the article. What do you think it's going to be about?
- 2. Do you think parents should be strict with their children?

# UPSIDE-DOWN FAMILIES

The parents set the rules and the children obey, right? Wrong. In a growing number of North American families, adults have let their children take over. "Parents want to be nurturing and make their small children happy, but many have become confused about the best way to achieve this," explains a noted child psychologist. "Large numbers of parents are being controlled by their child, to the point that entire families end up organizing themselves around a small child's emotions."

The problem is that many mothers and fathers try to be a friend to their children. However, parenting is not a popularity contest. Challenging authority is a normal part of child development and is strongest between the ages of four and six. Setting rules and enforcing them teaches the child that he or she is equal in worth but not equal in authority. Then the child feels safe and secure and can be a kid again. Believe it or not, it's frightening for children to realize they are in charge of a situation. In upside-down families, when parents back down from rules they set, children become very insecure, anxious, and out of control. They don't trust their parents to protect them. Parents should follow these tips to avoid this situation and keep control.

- Be a leader. Parents cannot guide a child and seek his or her approval of their decisions at the same time. Don't say, "It's time for bed. OK?" Instead, say, "It's time for bed, kids."
- Don't make rules quickly and then change them. It's very important to be consistent. Once you make a rule, stick to it.
- Pay less attention to your children when their behavior is bad and more when it is good. Do not reward bad behavior by giving extra attention to it. Instead, save your attention for when the child acts appropriately.
- Don't allow your kids to call you by your first name. This removes the authority figure in a child's life. Children need parents, not another friend.

**B** Pair work Which of these statements would the author agree with? Which ones do you agree with?

- 1. Children don't usually challenge authority.
- 2. Children like to feel that they are in charge.
- 3. It's important for parents to discipline children.
- 4. Parents should be leaders, not friends.

**C** Group work Discuss these questions. Then share your answers with the class.

- 1. Do you think your parents were too strict? Why or why not?
- 2. Will you use the same rules in raising your children?