

A person is climbing a rock wall with various colored holds. The person is wearing a white t-shirt, black pants, and a climbing harness. They are reaching up to grab a blue hold. The wall is grey and has many different shaped and colored holds, including orange, blue, green, and pink. The person is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image.

# Vibe

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**HACER LA MALETA EN INGLÉS + FUNCTIONAL VOCABULARY +  
DR VIBE + VIBE GRAMMAR + STORIES + VIBE EXPRESSIONS +  
READING & EXERCISES + COMO APROBAR UN EXAMEN OFICIAL  
SIN MORIR EN EL INTENTO**

# DR VIBE PRESENTS: ERROR CORRECTION CLINIC



## IN THIS SECTION, DR VIBE IDENTIFIES AND CORRECTS TYPICAL ERRORS.

Read the sentences, find the errors and correct the sentences.

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2. We have a water in the fridge.
3. There aren't any chocolate.
4. There are a pizza on the table.
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Answers:

## STORY JOKES, ANECDOTES AND STORIES AS TOLD BY NATIVE ENGLISH SPEAKERS.

### “The Tooth Fairy”

After losing another tooth, young James became more curious about the Tooth Fairy. Finally understanding, he asked his mum, “Mum, are you the tooth fairy?” She thought her son was old enough to hear the truth, so she said, “Yes, James, I am.” James accepted this quite well. But as he went to the door, he looked back at his mum with a curious look on his face and said, “Wait a minute, mum. How do you get into the other kids' houses?”



# VIBE GRAMMAR

## THE SECTION THAT MAKES GRAMMAR EASY, INTERESTING, AND FUN



### MODAL VERBS FOR GUESSING.

Modal verbs are very common in English.

We can use them to express a number of things including possibility, obligation, prohibition and ability.

*For example:*

- a) It might rain. (possibility)
- b) I may leave in ten minutes. (possibility)
- c) I can ride a unicycle. (ability)
- d) This could be really good. (possibility)
- e) You mustn't do that. (prohibition)
- f) She must let us know what she thinks. (obligation)

Notice how the infinitive verb following a modal verb has no "to".

*For example:*

- a) They should help us.
- b) We may stay.

We form negatives by placing "not" after the modal verb.

*For example:*

- a) They should not do it.
- b) We may not like it.

We can use modal verbs to guess what something is. For example, look at the picture.



### Who do you think it is?

*We can make guesses with a modal verb + "be" + a noun. For example:*

- a) It could be Barack Obama.
- b) It might be Barack Obama.
- c) It can't be George Bush.
- d) It must be Barack Obama.



## EXERCISE **could / might / can't / must.**

Complete the sentences with a modal verb from below. In some cases, more than one answer may be possible.

Jess: Here, look at this picture. Who do you think this is?

Nancy: That's impossible. I (1) ..... see anything.

Jess: I'll give you a clue. She's a young, famous actress.

Nancy: Well, it (2) ..... be Cameron Diaz. I don't know.

Jess: It's an English actress.

Nancy: Well, it (3) ..... be Helen Mirren - she isn't "young", although she's an actress.

Jess: Good! Keep trying.

Nancy: It (4) ..... be Gwyneth Paltrow.

Jess: No, it (5) ..... be her - she's American.

Nancy: Oh, yes. Well, I suppose it (6) ..... be Kate Winslet.

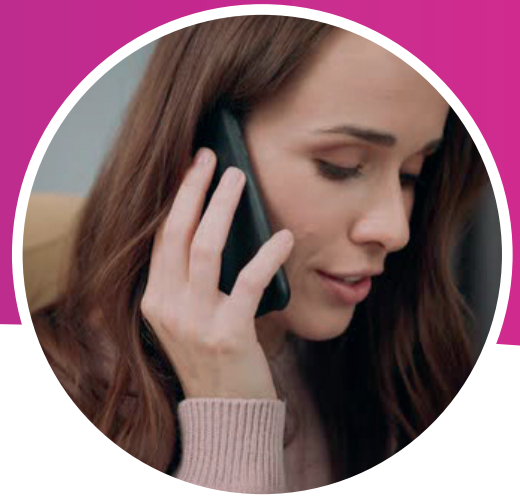
Jess: No, but close.

Nancy: Well, it (7) ..... be Catherine Zeta Jones - she's Welsh. Oh, I know, it (8) ..... be Keira Knightley.

Jess: Well done.

Nancy: That was difficult!!

# FUNCTIONAL VOCABULARY: USEFUL PHONE LANGUAGE



## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- We say “Oh” or “zero” for the number “0”
- We say “double” for two numbers that are the same. *For example: “744” is seven double four*

## ANSWERING THE PHONE

- Hello? (*informal*)
- Hello, John speaking. How may I help you?
- Thank you for calling Quick Fix Kitchens. (*business*)
- Frank’s Electric Store. How can I help you?

## INTRODUCING YOURSELF / THE CALLER

- Hi. It’s Tom. (*informal*)
- Hello, this is Amy Smith calling.
- Hi, this is Sarah from the accountant’s office.
- Hi, this is Laura speaking.

## NOT UNDERSTANDING SOMETHING

- I’m sorry? / sorry?
- Could you repeat that, please?
- Could you say that again, please?
- I’m sorry but I didn’t catch your name.

## DIALOGUE

**In this dialogue, Tom has called Amy to ask about some numbers.**

*Tom:* Hello?

*Amy:* Hi, is Tom there?

*Tom:* Speaking.

*Amy:* Oh, hi, Tom. It’s Amy. How’s it going?

*Tom:* Not too bad. What can I do for you?

*Amy:* I was wondering if you had Sarah’s phone number?

*Tom:* Yes, I think so. Hang on a minute. Yes, here it is, it’s 605 445 306.

*Amy:* I’m sorry I didn’t get that. There’s a lot of traffic here. Could you repeat it, please?

*Tom:* Sure! It’s 605 445 306.

*Amy:* 605 445 304.

*Tom:* No, that’s a six at the end: 605 445 306.

*Amy:* Oh, OK. Great. Thanks a lot. See you soon.

*Tom:* Bye!

*Amy:* Bye!

VIBE EXPRESSIONS  
**HERE ARE SOME MORE  
USEFUL AND INTERESTING  
EXPRESSIONS FOR YOU TO  
LEARN.**



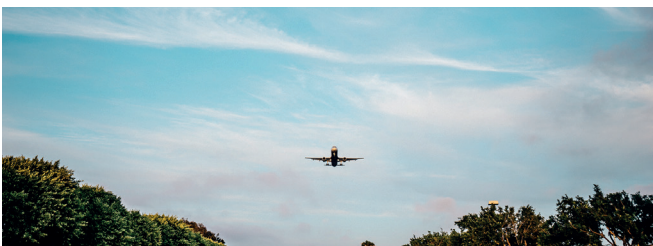
THIS MONTH: **PROBLEMS**



## We'll cross that bridge when we come to it

WE'LL DEAL WITH THAT PROBLEM AT THE APPROPRIATE MOMENT.

*"Don't worry about how we're going to finance the project – we'll cross that bridge when we come to it."*



## Be up in the air

IF SOMETHING IS "UP IN THE AIR", NO DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN ABOUT IT.

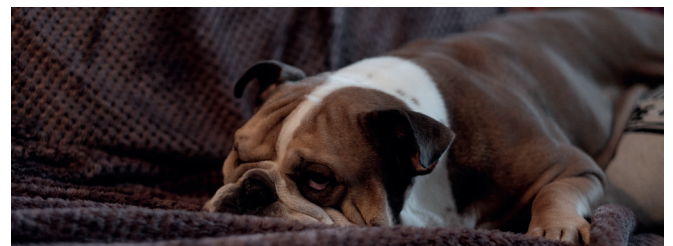
*"They still haven't decided where to get the new office. It's all still up in the air."*



## Come up against a brick wall / Hit a brick wall

TO BE UNABLE TO CONTINUE AN ACTIVITY BECAUSE THERE IS AN OBSTACLE OR PROBLEM TO DEAL WITH.

*"The new law means that this building can't be used as a factory or office, so we have to stop working and move out asap. We've hit a brick wall!"*



## Let sleeping dogs lie

NOT TO TALK ABOUT THINGS WHICH HAVE CAUSED PROBLEMS IN THE PAST; NOT TO TRY TO CHANGE A SITUATION BECAUSE IT MIGHT CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS. IF YOU WAKE UP THE "SLEEPING DOG", THEY MIGHT ATTACK YOU.

*"The government felt it was best to ignore the situation and just let sleeping dogs lie."*

# READING THE WONDERS OF NATURE



## Cities Beneath the Sea

**Coral polyps** are truly the animals that helped make the world. For millions of years, tiny coral polyps have been building underwater cities. The polyps create something called **limestone** which they then live on top of. There are huge amounts of limestone under the ocean in islands and mountains. These limestone islands and mountains are called coral reefs. Some reefs are bigger than anything people have ever made. The Egyptians used it to build the Great Pyramids. We have used limestone to build many buildings, and crushed limestone is used to make **cement**.

### A variety of life

Living coral reefs are amazing “cities beneath the sea” that are full of life. The reefs develop well in the warm oceans near the **Equator**. Among the world’s most colourful places, coral reefs are full of brightly-coloured fish. Reef fish are an important food source for humans, and many are caught for food around the world.

### The Biggest of them all

The Great Barrier Reef, in Australia, is the largest reef in the world. It is 2,000 kilometres long. Over 400 types of coral, 1,500 species of fish and approximately 4,000 types of **mollusc** live in, on and around the reef. Each year, thousands of visitors come to see this **remarkable** world beneath the waves. However, there are rules – visitors can only visit 5% of the

reef. In this way, they can still enjoy the reef while it remains protected for future generations.

## Threats to Coral Reefs

In recent years, a number of dangers have **threatened** coral reefs and the life that depends on them. One of the biggest threats is an illegal way of fishing that explodes bombs in the water to kill as many fish as possible. It kills most living things and causes great damage to the reef’s structure. Fishing with an extremely dangerous chemical called cyanide is another threat to reefs, particularly in the Philippines. Fishermen put this **poisonous** chemical into the reef water because it **stuns** the fish and they can’t move. They catch the fish easily and then sell them for big money to aquariums or restaurants. The chemical they use kill coral polyps and causes large areas of the reef to die.

Water pollution also **damages** reefs. In addition, warmer water in the oceans has been causing many areas of reefs to turn white. Biologists are worried that further warming may damage coral reefs even more.

## Reasons for Hope

Threats to coral reefs are serious, but there is reason to hope that they will survive. Coral reef conservation can help these tiny coral polyps, which have survived natural threats for millions of years, to rebuild the damaged reefs that so many ocean creatures and plants depend on.

# READING EXERCISE

## THE WONDERS OF NATURE

### WORD FOCUS

**Coral polyp:** pólipo de coral

**Limestone:** caliza

**Cement:** cemento

**Equator:** ecuador

**Mollusc:** molusco

**Remarkable:** notable

**Threaten:** amenazar

**Poisonous:** venenoso

**Stun:** atontar

**Damage:** dañar

**READ THE TEXT & QUESTIONS BELOW.  
FOR EACH QUESTION, CHOOSE THE CORRECT  
LETTER A, B, C, D.**

**1. What are coral reefs made of?**

- a. Molluscs
- b. Mountains
- c. Cement
- d. A kind of rock

**2. Which statement about coral reefs is NOT true?**

- a. They are an important source of fish
- b. They are very colourful places.
- c. They are usually found in deep ocean waters
- d. They can be larger than man-made things

**3. How is the Great Barrier Reef protected?**

- a. Only a small part of the reef can be seen by visitors
- b. Just 5% of visitors are allowed to see it
- c. Visitors must be very strict
- d The reef is not open every year



# VIBE TOPIC OF THE MONTH

## THE TRAVEL PACKING LIST

Donde sea que planees ir, elige un equipaje que sea versátil, liviano y lo suficientemente grande como para guardar todos tus enseres esenciales.

En **Vibenglish** queremos ayudarte a organizar tus vacaciones y de paso a enseñarte vocabulario útil para que viajes donde quieras sin ningún problema. Let's Vibe!



### TYPES OF LUGGAGE:

1 Rolling Luggage



2 Duffel Bag



3 Wheeled Backpack

4 Travel Backpack

5 Carry-On





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### CLOTHING PACKING LIST

#### THE BASICS

Long-sleeved shirts	Camisas de manga larga
Sweaters or fleece jacket	Suéteres o chaqueta polar
T-shirts and tank tops (be respectful of the culture you are visiting)	Camisetas y camisetas sin mangas (sea respetuoso con la cultura que está visitando)
Pants and/or shorts	Pantalones y / o shorts
Belt	Cinturón
Socks	Calcetines
Comfortable walking shoes	Zapatos cómodos para caminar
Rain jacket, windbreaker or umbrella	Chubasquero, rompevientos o paraguas
Pajamas/sleepwear	Pijamas / ropa de dormir
Underwear	Ropa interior
Sunglasses and glasses case	Gafas de sol y Estuche para gafas
Dresses and/or skirts	Vestidos y / o faldas
Hat	Sombrero
Scarf or bandana	Bufanda o pañuelo
Swimsuit or swim trunks	Traje de baño o bañador
Mobile phone and charger	Móvil y cargador
Travel pillow, eye mask and ear plugs	Almohada de viaje, antifaz y tapones para los oídos
Electric converters and adapters	Convertidores y adaptadores eléctricos.
Travel apps that will help with language, directions, and money conversion	Aplicaciones de viaje que ayudarán con el idioma, las direcciones y la conversión de dinero

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### PACKING LIST

#### LA BOLSA DE ASEO

Toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, mouthwash	Cepillo, pasta dental, hilo dental, enjuague bucal.
Hair brush or comb, hair ties...	Cepillo o peine, cintas para el pelo ...
Deodorant	Desodorante
Shampoo and conditioner (2 in 1)	Champú y acondicionador (2 en 1)
Sunscreen and face lotion with SPF	Protector solar y loción facial con FPS
Make up	Maquillaje
Face wash and/or makeup remover wipes	Toallitas faciales y / o toallitas desmaquillantes
Night time Moisturizer/Lotion	Crema hidratante / loción nocturna
Lip balm with SPF and lipstick or lip gloss	Bálsamo labial con SPF y lápiz labial o brillo labial
Personal hygiene items	Artículos de higiene personal.
Feminine hygiene products	Productos de higiene femenina.
Glasses	Gafas
Prescription medication with the label	Medicamentos recetados con la etiqueta.
Shaving kit and extra razors	Kit de afeitado y maquinillas de afeitar
First aid kit (bandages, gauze, adhesives, etc.)	Botiquín de primeros auxilios (vendajes, gasas, adhesivos, etc.)

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### PACKING LIST

#### IMPORTANT TRAVEL ITEMS

Passport/visa(s)	Pasaporte / visa (s)
Personal ID/Student ID card – If you're a student	Identificación personal / tarjeta de identificación de estudiante: si eres estudiante
Cash and credit card	Efectivo y tarjeta (s) de crédito
Health insurance cards/document(s)	Tarjetas / documentos del seguro de salud
Travel insurance information	Información del seguro de viaje.
Reservations and itineraries	Reservas e itinerarios:
Transportation tickets (plane, train, bus, car, etc.)	Billetes de transporte (avión, tren, autobús, automóvil, etc.)
Emergency contacts and important addresses	Contactos de emergencia y direcciones importantes.
Guide books and maps	Guías y mapas.

VIBE IDIOMS  
**THIS MONTH, WE ARE  
LOOKING AT SOME “WAY”  
IDIOMS.**



## All the way

IF YOU SUPPORT SOMETHING “ALL THE WAY”, YOU SUPPORT IT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE AND UNTIL THE VERY END.

*“If you decide to take them to court, I’ll support you all the way.”*



## Go out of your way to do something

TO TRY VERY HARD TO DO SOMETHING NICE, ESPECIALLY SOMETHING THAT INVOLVES HELPING OTHER PEOPLE

*“They really went out of their way to make us feel at home.”*



## Along the way

IF SOMETHING HAPPENS “ALONG THE WAY”, IT HAPPENS WHILE YOU’RE DOING SOMETHING ELSE.

*“I’ve been doing this job for about twenty years now and I’ve learnt a thing or two along the way.”*



## Be out of somebody’s way

IF A PLACE IS “OUT OF SOMEBODY’S WAY”, IT ISN’T IN THE DIRECTION IN WHICH THEY’RE GOING.

*“Jessica took me home last night which was nice because it was really out of her way.”*

VIBE BLOG

# CÓMO PREPARAR UN EXAMEN OFICIAL DE INGLÉS SIN MORIR EN EL INTENTO.



¿Quieres trabajar en otro país? ¿Tu empresa te exige hablar inglés como si hubieras nacido en Liverpool? ¿O tal vez lo que te apetece es viajar hasta desgastar tu pasaporte? Si bien en el tercer caso nadie te va a pedir que demuestres tu nivel de inglés (salvo para comer, dormir y orientarte...?), es probable que en los demás supuestos necesites un certificado oficial que demuestre tu nivel de inglés. Y, por supuesto, la única manera de obtenerlo es aprobando un examen de inglés.

Presentarse a una de estas pruebas cuesta tiempo y dinero, por lo que es necesario que te prepares de una forma correcta y te asegures de que lo superarás sin problemas. Recuerda que en Vibenglish hemos desarrollado una metodología para aprobar cualquier examen oficial. Para que te lo vayas pensando aquí tienes algunos consejos:

Para empezar debes escoger el examen oficial que más se adapta a tus necesidades ya que hay una gran cantidad de exámenes e instituciones. ¿No sabes qué examen elegir? En algunos puestos de trabajo exigen títulos concretos, normalmente son equivalentes, pero hay exámenes con fecha de caducidad o cuya validez se limita solo a una zona, ¡Valora solo aquellas opciones que te resulten más útiles en un futuro!

## TEN EN CUENTA LOS REQUISITOS DE CADA EXAMEN

Esta es la parte que más importancia cobra en la preparación de exámenes oficiales.

### 1. Elige el examen de inglés correcto

Para empezar debes escoger el examen oficial que mejor se adapta a tus necesidades, ya que, como sabrás, hay una gran cantidad de pruebas oficiales

e instituciones. ¿No lo tienes claro? En algunos puestos de trabajo exigen títulos concretos, normalmente equivalentes, pero hay exámenes con fecha de caducidad o cuya validez se limita solo a una zona, ¡Valora solo aquellas opciones que te resulten útiles en un futuro!

### 2. Prepárate sólo para ese examen

Una vez elegido, prepáralo en función de los requisitos que demanda el examen. Las partes del certificado y la dificultad varían según el modelo, por lo que es necesario que prepares las distintas áreas de la prueba. Normalmente, constan de cuatro partes de comprensión y expresión escrita y oral.

*DATO: Los exámenes de Cambridge, unos de los más demandados a nivel nacional, también constan de una parte muy importante de gramática.*

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# CÓMO PREPARAR UN EXAMEN OFICIAL DE INGLÉS SIN MORIR EN EL INTENTO.

Un pequeño truco es realizar los modelos de exámenes anteriores para familiarizarte con el nivel que piden y el tipo de preguntas. Si tienes claro con qué institución quieres realizar el examen pero no sabes qué nivel se adapta más a ti, puedes realizar una prueba de nivel. Este pequeño examen es una forma genial de medir tus conocimientos y de asegurarte de que la prueba oficial no sea ni demasiado fácil ni demasiado difícil.

### 3. Tus profes son clave

Es importante contar con un apoyo profesional que te proporcione las herramientas y conceptos más adecuados de cara a la preparación de tu examen de inglés. En Vibenglish, sabemos la importancia de tener a un profesional a tu lado que te ayude a perfeccionar estructuras y a comprender lo que se ha hecho mal. Incluso si ya cuentas con un buen nivel de inglés, es necesario contar con alguien que te corrija los errores y te eche una mano con material de calidad. La ventaja de nuestras clases es que contamos con profesores nativos que te ayudarán no solo a aprender, sino que a familiarizarte con el idioma hasta que pienses en inglés sin que sea una obligación (sí, hay formas muy divertidas de aprender idiomas, además son la mejor manera).

### ORGANIZARSE BIEN ES GARANTÍA DE ÉXITO.

Ahora bien, pensarás: todo esto está genial y me va a servir para organizarme y estudiar mejor de cara al examen, pero... ¿Por dónde empiezo? ¿No es demasiada información? ¿De dónde saco tiempo para estructurarlo todo?

¡Que no cunda el pánico! En Vibenglish, tenemos la solución que necesitas para aprobar tu examen de inglés. Disponemos de un método de aprendizaje interactivo y súper dinámico con el que vas a conseguir no sólo sacarte la titulación que quieras, sino además disfrutar aprendiendo inglés. Nuestra formación se adapta completamente a tus necesidades, ofreciéndote la oportunidad de disfrutar de clases online con profesores nativos y seguimiento personalizado de todo tu progreso de aprendizaje, dónde y cuándo quieras.

¡Pregúntanos ya sobre nuestras clases en línea para aprobar tu examen de inglés y enamórate del idioma!

**Let's Vibe!**