

**SOLUTIONS PRE-INTERMEDIATE 1**  
**UNIT 1: FEELINGS**  
**MOVIE**

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Writing

## A description of an event

*I can describe an event.*

### Preparation

- 1 Rewrite the sentences. Replace the underlined verbs with the phrasal verbs below. Use the correct tense.

ask for   find out   get over   look at   own up  
put back   talk about

1 She often borrows my clothes, but she never confesses to it.

\_\_\_\_\_

2 I requested a seat by the window.

\_\_\_\_\_

3 The police officer examined my passport carefully.

\_\_\_\_\_

4 Are you discussing the World Cup?

\_\_\_\_\_

5 I discovered where my brother hides his diary.

\_\_\_\_\_

6 Please return my pen when you borrow it!

\_\_\_\_\_

7 After his exams, he spent a day in bed just to recover from them.

\_\_\_\_\_

### Writing Strategy

When you write a description of an event, remember to say how you and other people felt at the time, and how you all reacted to the events. This will make your anecdote come to life and engage the reader's interest.

- 2 Read the Writing Strategy. Then complete the description using the adjectives below to describe the people's feelings.

guilty proud scared upset

## Confession!

Joanne

I once bought a big plastic insect at a joke shop and put it inside my brother's lunch box in the morning. It looked disgusting! I told my friends about the prank – I was <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ of it! My brother didn't say anything about it after school. In fact, he didn't mention it for ages. Then one morning I found the same insect in my bowl of cereal at breakfast. I wasn't <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ at all – it was funny. But when I asked him how he felt when he found it in his lunch box, he didn't smile. In fact he looked a bit <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. 'It was horrible,' he said. 'I screamed. Then everybody laughed at me.' When I heard that, I felt really <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. I don't play tricks on my brother now!

## Writing Guide

- 3 Read the task. Then make brief notes in the table below. Use one of the suggestions in the ideas box or your own idea.

You did something you feel bad about. Write a description of an event with the title 'Confession!'

- Give a short description of what you did.
- Say how you felt at the time.
- Describe how other people reacted.
- Explain why you feel bad about it now.

## Notes

What did you do?

How did you feel at the time? Why?

How did other people feel? How did they react?

How do you feel about it now? Why?

## Ideas

You feel bad because you:

- borrowed something without asking and broke it.
- told somebody a secret your friend told you.
- copied some homework from the internet.
- told somebody about a surprise party and spoiled the surprise.

4 Write your description. Use your notes from exercise 3.

### CHECK YOUR WORK



Have you ...

- covered all four points in the task?
- included adjectives to describe feelings?
- checked your spelling and grammar?



**HOW DO YOU  
SEE BRITISH  
PEOPLE?**



# HOW DO YOU SEE BRITISH PEOPLE?





**A WIDELY HELD, SIMPLIFIED, AND ESSENTIALIST BELIEF ABOUT A SPECIFIC GROUP**





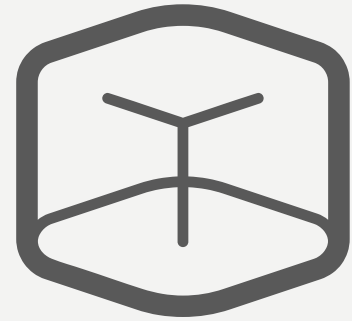
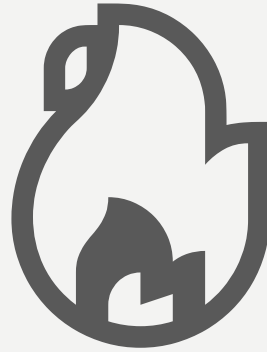
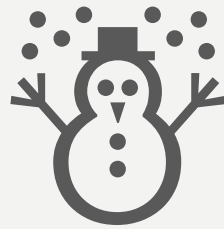
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Stereotype

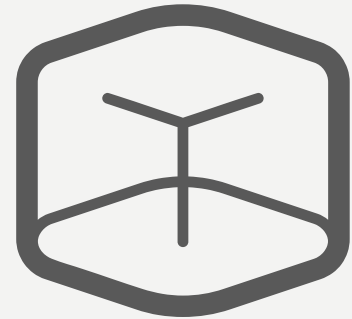
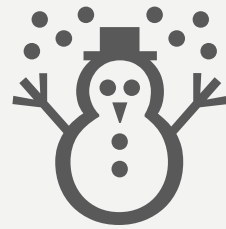
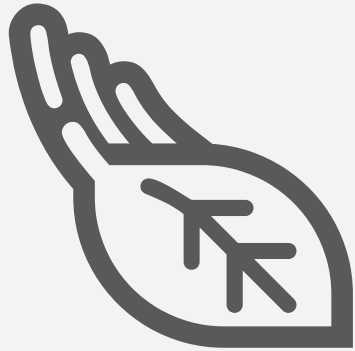




**HOW DO YOU  
START A  
CONVERSATION?**



# THE WEATHER





# 1


## The British and the weather

### Before you watch

1 **SPEAKING** Work in pairs. Answer the questions.

- 1 Have you ever visited Britain? If so, what was it like? If not, would you like to go?
- 2 Do you know any British people? How would you describe their personalities?
- 3 What do you think foreigners think about people from your country?

## Comprehension check

- 2**  Watch the DVD clip. Choose the correct answers.
- 1 Which of these is a stereotype about British people?  
a They are polite.  
b They are happy.  
c They are generous.
  - 2 What do most British people like talking about?  
a sport      b politics      c the weather
  - 3 What percentage of people check the weather forecast every day?  
a 17%      b 57%      c 70%

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3 ▶ Watch again. Number the types of weather in the order you first see them (1–4).



A rainy \_\_\_\_



B snowy \_\_\_\_



C sunny \_\_\_\_



D windy \_\_\_\_



**4**  Watch again. Complete the sentences with the words below. There are two extra words.

embarrassed   extreme   finish   interesting   mild   phrases   start   words

- 1 British people are \_\_\_\_\_ to talk about certain things.
- 2 Some people talk about the weather because it is an \_\_\_\_\_ subject.
- 3 The weather in Britain is usually \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 In Britain, \_\_\_\_\_ weather is unusual.
- 5 People often \_\_\_\_\_ conversations by talking about the weather.
- 6 There are hundreds of weather \_\_\_\_\_ in the English language.

## Round up

**5** **SPEAKING** Work in groups. Answer the question.

How do you think people in your country are different to British people?

## Vocabulary

**6 RECYCLE** Match the adjectives below with the sentences that they describe.

confused   embarrassed   relieved   shocked   upset

- 1 I don't understand what he just said about the meeting. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Oh dear, that's so sad. I think I'm going to cry. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 You've found my phone and my keys! Phew! I was really worried I'd lost them. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 I can't believe I forgot the words to the song. Everyone in the audience saw me! \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Did you see the news? There's a fire at the school! I can't believe it. \_\_\_\_\_

**7 Complete the text with the words below.**

awkward   controversial   emotion   stereotype

### **A different view of the British**

Visitors to Britain often say the food is terrible, it rains all the time and the British people never show <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. But this is a <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ that many foreign people who live in Britain don't agree with. While British people may seem <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ or shy at first, once they become friends, they can be warm and friendly. And don't worry, you can talk about more than the weather, as British people enjoy talking about more <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ topics like politics and religion with their friends.

## Extension

**8** Work in groups. Make a presentation that gives advice to foreign people who want to live in your country.

Think about the following:

- how to introduce yourself
- how to make friends
- what to do when you go to someone's house
- what is polite and impolite in your country

**9** Give your presentation. Use the key phrases for giving advice.

### Giving advice

I think / don't think you should ...

You need to ...

You have to ...

You should ...

That's my advice.

**ASSIGNMENT:  
EXAM SKILL  
TRAINER 1  
(WORKBOOK)**

**DEADLINE: SUNDAY**