ESSENTIAL TEACHING PRINCIPLES YOU (MIGHT) HAVE FORGOTTEN

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VOCABULARY

"Without grammar very little can be conveyed, without vocabulary nothing can be conveyed." Linguist David Wilkins

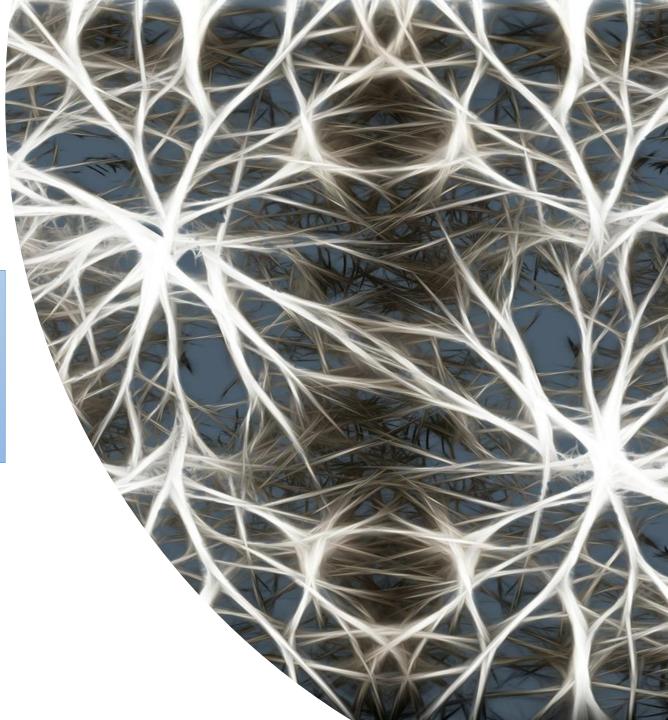




WHAT IS MENTAL LEXICON?

• Words in human memory are not stored randomly or in the form of a list but in a **highly organized and interconnected fashion.**





Like in a house





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EXPERIMENT

Which of these questions can be easier and quicker answered?

A) Name a fruit that begins with "p". B) Name a word that begins with *"p"* that is a fruit.

ELICITATION – Principle 1

1) Building on existing knowledge = building a house on a solid concrete foundation





2) See how well students use the language forms in question before deciding whether we need to introduce those form as new.



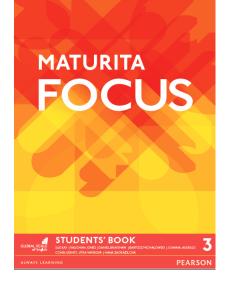


3) Students do the teacher's job - may be assigned as pair/group work

Grammar: Defining relative clauses **Vocabulary:** Work

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

- 1 In pairs, list all the jobs you can think of in sixty seconds.
- 2 Put the words from your list in Exercise 1 in groups 1–5. Some words can go in more than one group.
 - 1 jobs that pay a high salary: doctor,
 - 2 jobs which involve long hours: doctor,
 - 3 jobs where you can do overtime: doctor,
 - 4 jobs for people who are creative:
 - 5 jobs which you would like to do:





4) Compensating for mixed abilities – not just single correct answer

0.2 National dishes

Grammar: Quantifiers **Vocabulary:** Food and drink

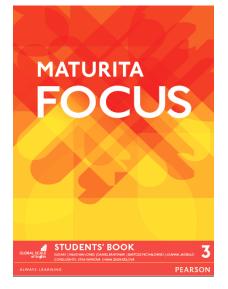
SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 In pairs, write a type of food or drink for each letter of the alphabet. How many can you write in sixty seconds?

apple bread carrot

2 Complete the table with your words from Exercise 1 and write the plural form of the countable nouns. Then tick the food or drink you like most and compare with a partner.



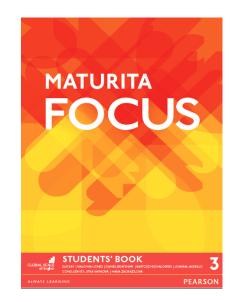




5) Elicited lists - EASIER PERSONALISATION - the students' own asset with which they start the lesson/topic

4.1 Vocabulary

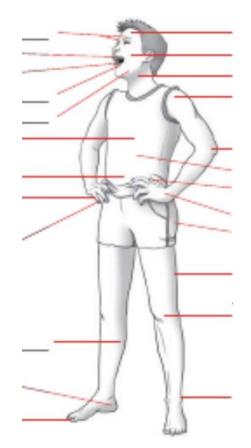
Food • **Flavours and textures** I can describe food that I like and don't like.





6) You can set time limit – reduce time, easier to access, you may reward students, make them work faster

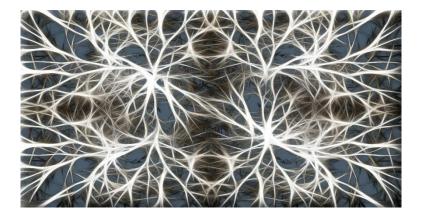
List as many parts of the body as you can in 60 seconds.





LONG-TERM RETENTION OF VOCABULARY

Simply repeating newly learned words is no guarantee that they will move from the short-term memory into permanent memory



Integrating new words into learner's **mental lexicon** requires making a lot of "deep" decisions about the word. In other words – vocabulary needs to be "put to work".



PUTTING WORDS TO WORK – Principle 2



MAKING DEEP DECISIONS ABOUT THEM



DECISION-MAKING TASKS

RANKING AND SEQUENCING





SORTING



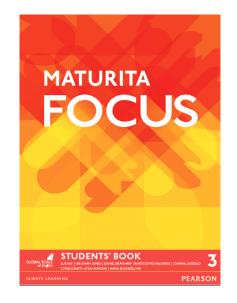


IDENTIFYING

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2 Look at the photos of six celebrities and read the text. In which photos can you see the parts of the body in the box?

ankle calf eyebrows jaw knee lips thigh thumb





TV AND FILM STARS

Who? Julia Roberts, actor

What is insured? * How much? \$30 million

RISKS: Acting is not dangerous like football (except when the actor insists on doing their own stunts). But for some film and television roles, the star's looks are important.



Who? Daniel Craig, actor What is insured? * How much? \$9.5 million

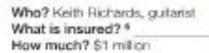


SINGERS AND MUSICIANS

RISKS: Imagine a singer who loses her voice or her attractive image, or a gutarist who can't use his hands. Their career would be over.

Who? Rihanna, singer What is insured?

How much? \$1 million



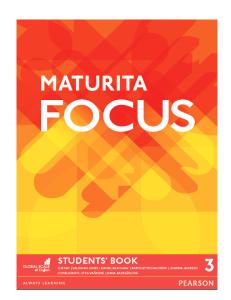
SELECTING



9 Read the questions and cross out the injury that is impossible or very unlikely.

Have you ever:

- 1 broken your leg / chest / toe?
- 2 burnt your tongue / fingers / ribs?
- 3 cut your teeth / lip / heel?
- 4 dislocated your shoulder / eyebrows / thumb?
- 5 scratched your knees / neck / hair?
- 6 sprained your lips / ankle / wrist?

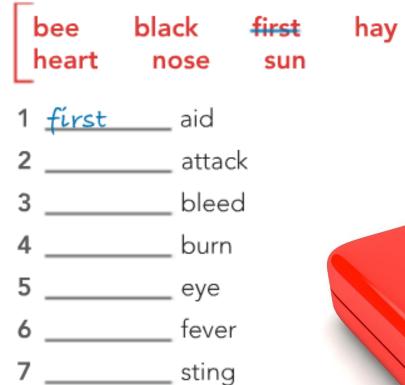


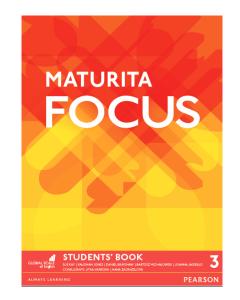


MATCHING

WORD STORE 6D

Compound nouns – health issues









GRAMMAR



When I was a kid, my English teacher looked my way and said, "Name two pronouns." I said, "Who, me?"





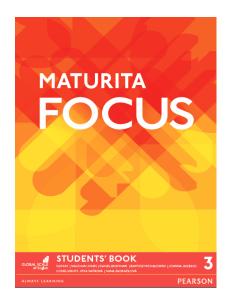






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- 1 Which version do you like best? Why?
- 2 What do you know about the original painting?



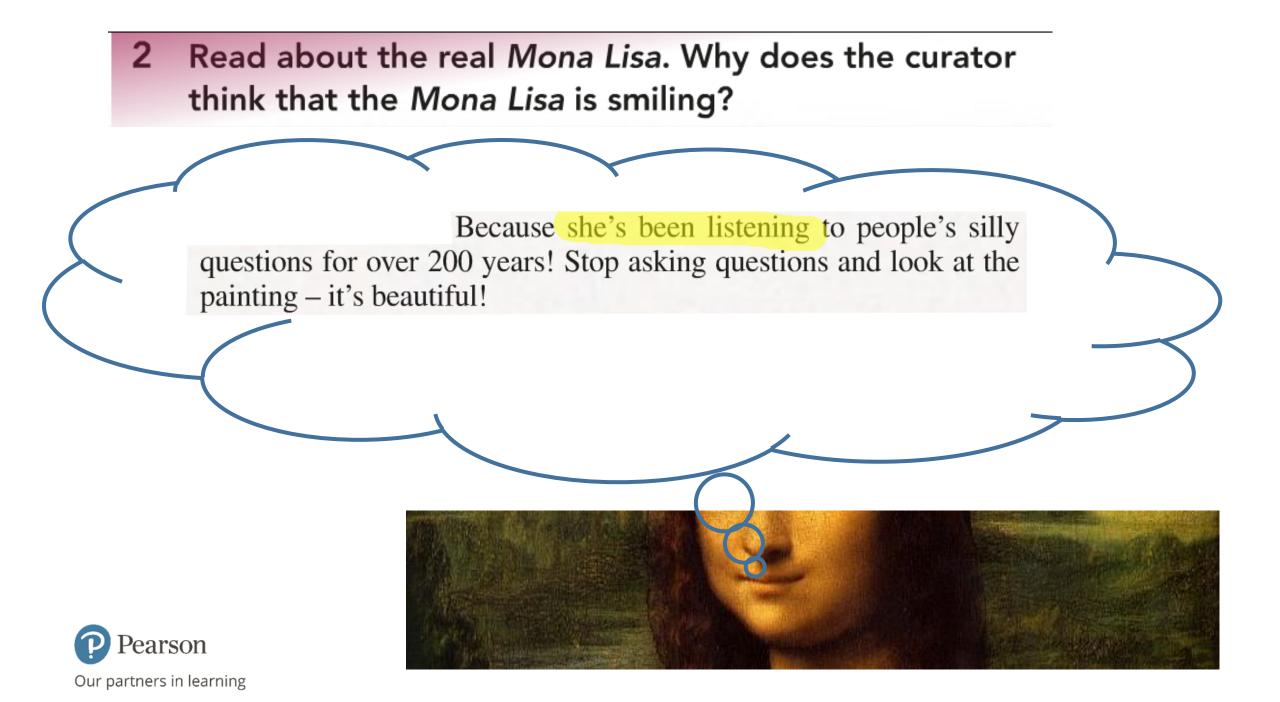


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Present Perfect Continuous

You use the Present Perfect Continuous to talk about unfinished actions that started in the past and continue in time 'up-to-now'. Use for or since to say how long. I've been working at the Louvre museum in Paris for twenty-one years. Present Perfect Continuous: has/have + been + -ing + I v e been working. - He hasn't been working. ? Have you been working ...? Yes, I have ./N o, I haven't. Note: State verbs (*be, have, know,* etc.) do not take the continuous form. The Mona Lisa has been in the Louvre since 1804. (NOT has been being) Read about the real Mona Lisa. Why does the curator think that the *Mona Lisa* is smiling?



1.5 Grammar

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I can use the Present Perfect Simple and Continuous.

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BOOMERANG-TYPE LESSON - Principle 3 (so-called inductive approach)

engage \rightarrow activate \rightarrow study rules \rightarrow practice \rightarrow engage

language study arises out of skills work on reading or listening texts







GRAMMAR ANIMATIONS

How long have they been waiting in the queue?





Video available on:

https://www.english.com/focus/grammaranimations/level3/



Hi, I'm Sarah from London TV. What's your name? I'm Amy. I'm a make-up artist And this is Jessica. We're here together.





Haha, everybody here is hoping for some success. Lots of people have turned up today. How long have you been waiting in the queue? We've been waiting for five hours Jessica has had the make-up on for almost eight hours so I hope they will see us soon because all this waiting is no good for the make-up.

Good luck to you then! I hope the judges will love it as much as I do.



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TECHNOLOGIES - Principle 4

✓ Understanding grammar in **authentic, digital and "distracting" context**

✓ Allows for more follow-up practice using scripts, subtitles, screenshots, ...

✓ Gives teachers some **"time-off" in the lesson**



SHRINKING PREPARATION TIME – Principle 5

✓ If possible, choose the coursebook you like – VERY IMPORTANT!

- ✓ Familiarize yourself with the book
- Elicitation saves your time and energy!
- ✓ Let students "put words in action" !
- Remember the "boomerang lesson"
- ✓ Take advantage of technologies
- Recycle! photocopiable materials, audio scripts, even exercises





TIPS FOR BEEING 'A HAPPY TEACHER':





Pearson EduTour

Win-Win Theory (happy teacher, happy student).

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18.4. 2018, 9:00 - 14:30 HOTEL DUBNÁ SKALA J. M. HURBANA 345/8

BRATISLAVA

19.4. 2018, 9:00 - 14:30 HOTEL CROWNE PLAZA HODŽOVO NÁMESTIE 568/2



SEMINARS

Interactivity: Teaching and Learning (Plenary) (Ken Beatty, Pearson)

Motivating the Teenage Brain: Making Language Matter (Ken Beatty, Pearson)

Teacher - friedly technologies (Danka Sekerková, Pearson)

Formative Assessment - Make your student's more independent (Danka Sekerková, Pearson)

Developing reading skills (not just) in students with special educational needs (Eva Lange, Teacher trainer)

More information on: <u>https://www.venturesbooks.sk/konference-a-vzdelavani/konferencie-seminare-a-webinare</u>

For more information on Maturita Focus coursebook go to: www.pearsonelt.com/focus

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