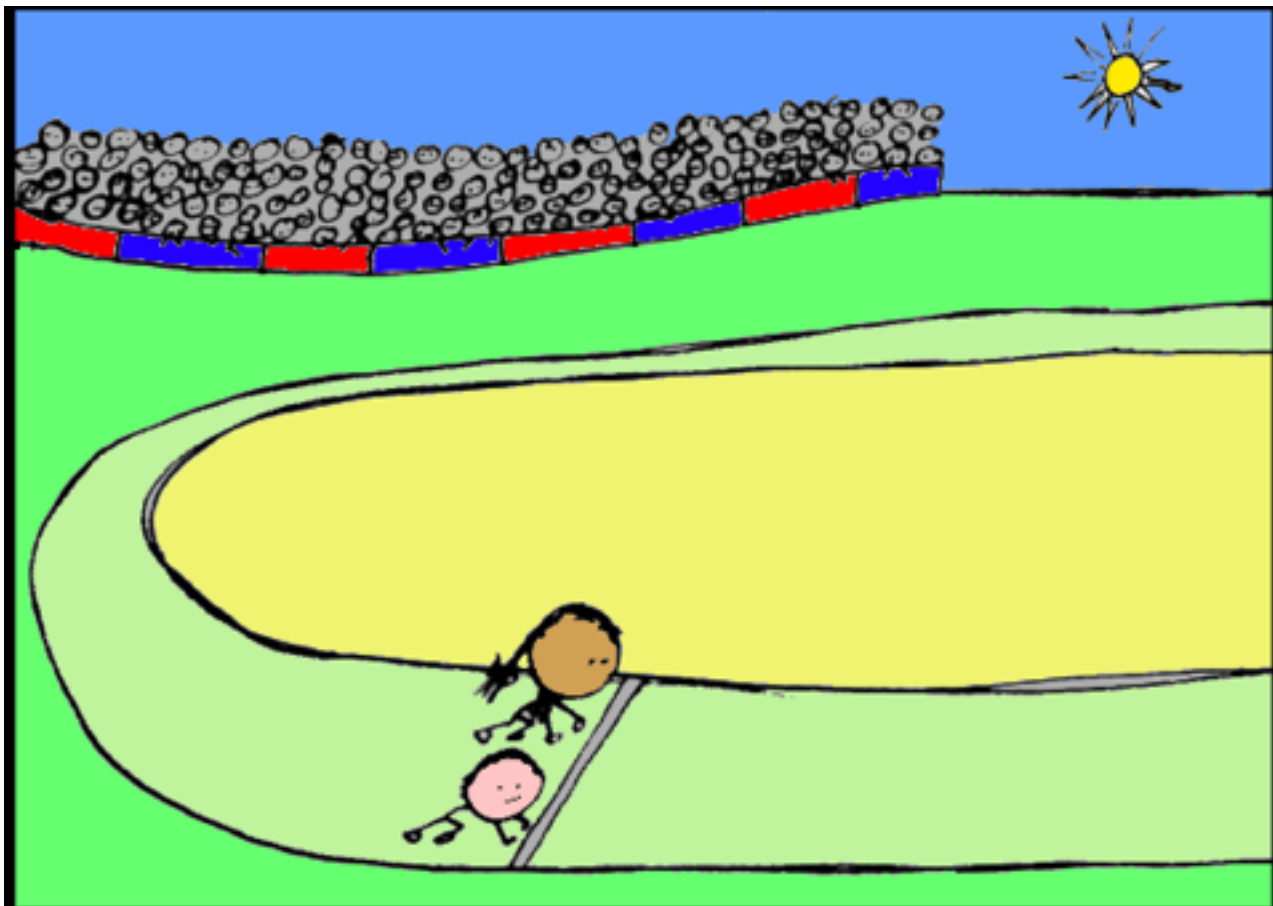
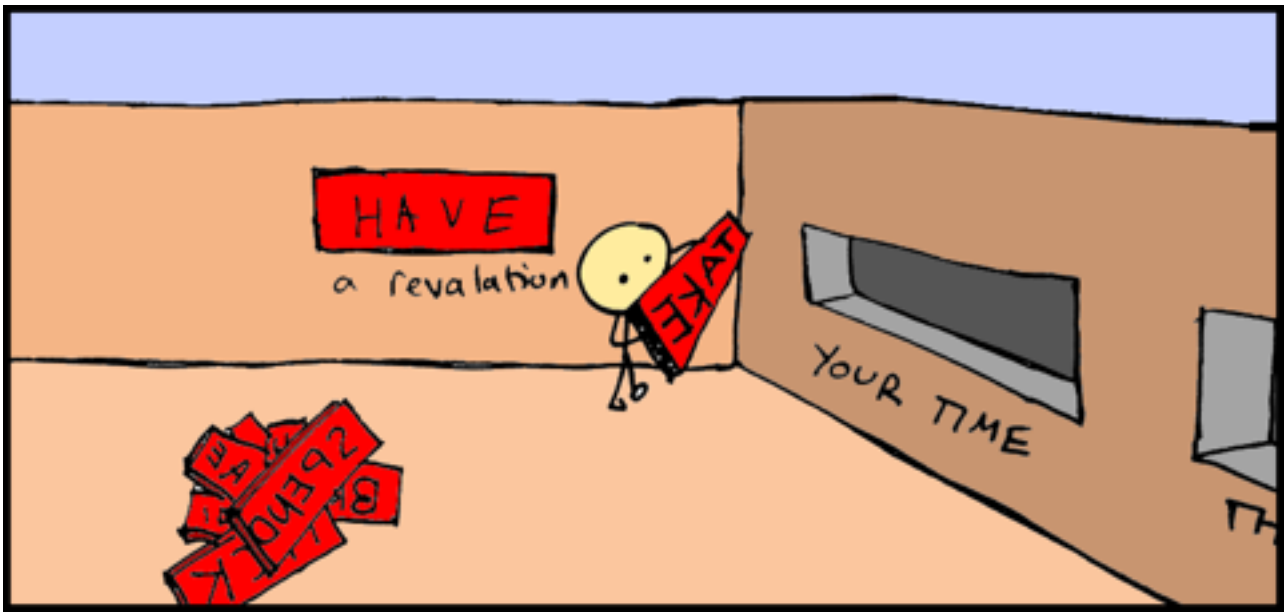

Diaper CEO Lesson 2

Running the Railroad Course

Language... culture... profession. Now we'll connect the dots.



Vocabulary 1



- Take a look at these nouns. What verbs can we use with them? Remember – there’s no specific “right” answer. Or rather, there are lots of answers. So just trust your instincts on this one!

1. you a heap of time, money and energy
2. your emotions and ideas
3. questions
4. his efforts
5. other important pieces of language puzzle
6. your talents
7. your language
8. in this long-haul race
9. her engagement
10. learning goals

- OK. Now go and check the Diaper CEO text. Did you come up with the same verbs?

Check your answers on Page 8.

Vocabulary 2

- Match the new vocabulary from the text to their definition.
- If you're not sure, then check the text! You can probably figure out the meaning from the context.

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| 1. Two sides of the same coin | A) Originally come from |
| 2. Indifferent | B) Different problems, but both of them have the same cause |
| 3. Prerequisites | C) Totally grown into something full and vigorous |
| 4. Mantra | D) Not caring one way or another |
| 5. Stem from | E) Small pieces of something |
| 6. Snippets | F) Things you need before you can do something |
| 7. Fully flourished | G) A word, phrase or even slogan that's repeated again and again |

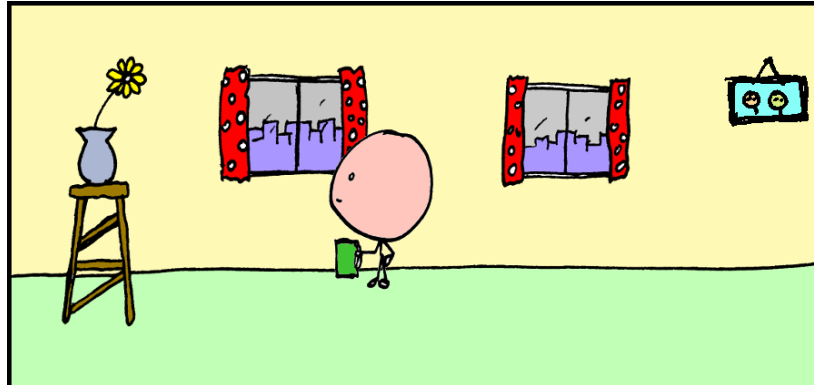
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Think about Your Learning

- Read the questions below and record your answers using your phone or laptop. You'll listen to them after the exercise. Remember to make your answers natural. Don't try to use any particular words or phrases, just speak freely. Don't worry! No one can hear you. You might want to walk around the room while you do this. Get the blood circulation going and the oxygen pumping! Make your answers as long or as short as you need to.
1. When it comes to English, how easy do you find it to **dive into the language**? What do you do to help you get into it more?
 2. Are high-quality products and high-cost products really **two sides of the same coin**? Or do you think we can produce good stuff for less?
 3. Is a decent education enough to **qualify you to** get a good position these days? Does education even matter any more?

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- Achieving a good work-life balance is very difficult these days. Can you think of a **quick and painless solution** that would deal with this dilemma? Or is it too complicated for a quick solve?
 - When it comes to your own work-life balance what do you prioritize? Do you **place an emphasis on** spending time with the family? Or going out and getting some exercise? Or is all **the emphasis placed on** work?

Let It Settle



OK. Take a break now. Make a cup of coffee. Let the information settle.

Listen Back

- Now listen back to your answers that you recorded a while ago.
- Rate your speaking performance on a scale of 1-5 ... 1 is not happy at all and 5 is perfectly satisfied.
- Make any notes about anything you'd like to change. It might be how clear you sound, your accent, your grammar, the vocabulary, or just how natural you sound.

Question 1

Rating: 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5

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Question 2

Rating: 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5

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Question 3

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Question 4

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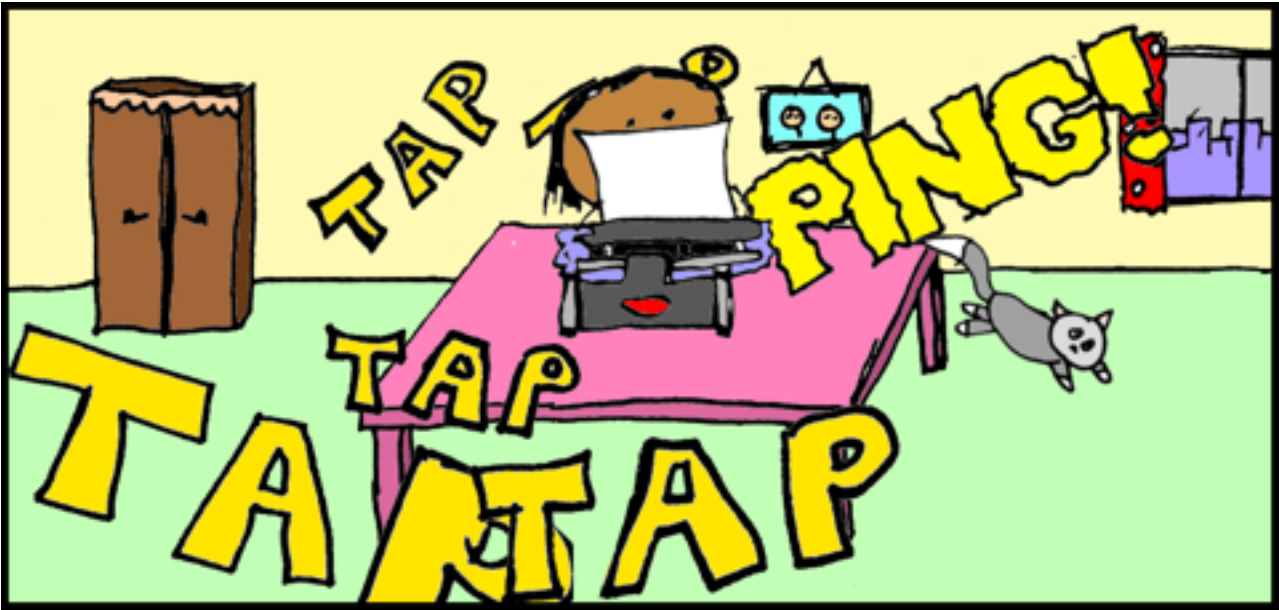
Question 5

Rating: 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5

Notes:

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Writing



Think about something you're good at. It could be anything! Maybe you've got excellent drawing skills. Maybe you know how to connect and empathise with people. Or perhaps you're a master elephant scientist.

Now sit back, look out of the window and consider these questions:

- Can you describe in some detail 2-3 activities for which you have talent?
- How could these talents be used in learning a foreign language?
- What is your personal definition of talent with languages?

OK. Thought about it? I mean – really thought about it?

Good! Now write your answers.

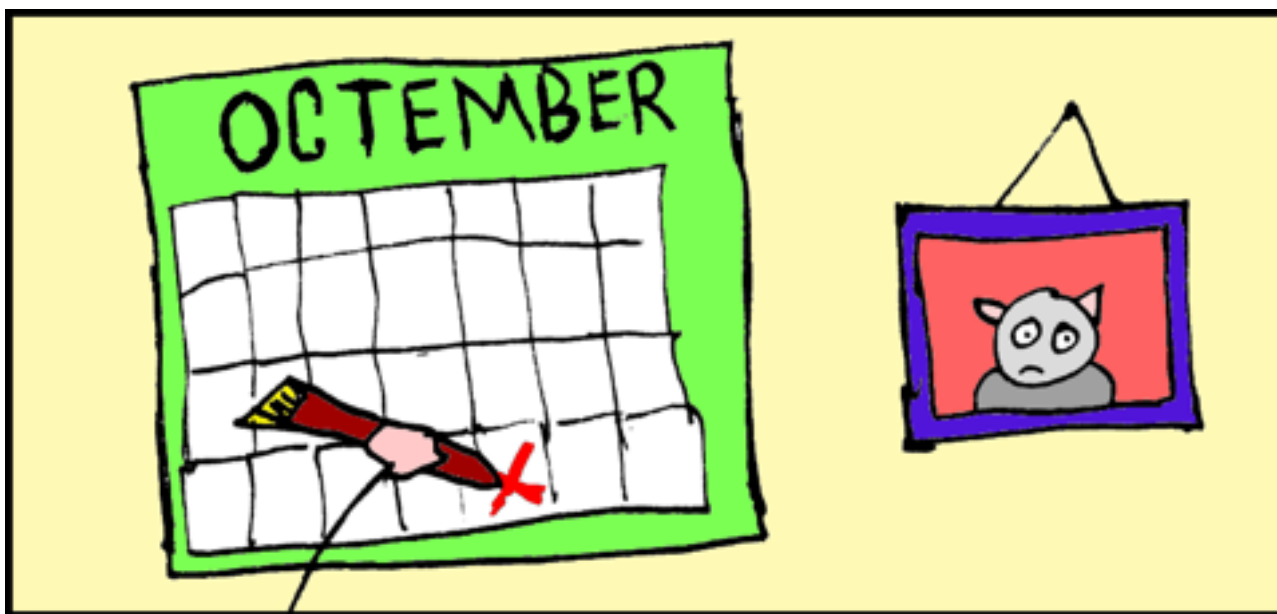
Remember – you DON'T have to write hundreds and thousands of words or a full novel. This is just for you.

Write just enough to answer the questions. No more. No less.

OK – Go!

Set a Review Date

- Right, before you finish, there's one more thing to do. Go to your calendar and make a note for **four weeks from today**. When that date comes, you're going to listen back to the answers you recorded today and you're going to read over the writing you just did. And that's it! No notes or anything. Just listen and read and see your improvement! It'll be very satisfying ... trust me!



- Would you like to learn and practise a little bit more? [Contact us](#) to schedule a lesson with one of the LOS language consultants who created this material.

Answer Key

Vocabulary 1

Possible answers:

Verb + Noun Collocations

- save / give / waste / cost ... you a heap of time, money and energy
- articulate / express / show / hide ... his emotions and ideas
- formulate / ask / come up with / think of ... questions
- appreciate / recognize / focus / direct ... his efforts
- identifying / find / discover ... other important pieces of the language puzzle
- discover / show / develop / lend ... your talents
- master / strengthen / use ... your language
- compete in / take part in / drop out of ... this long-haul race
- recognize / develop / measure ... your talent
- encourage / increase / measure ... her engagement
- kill / find / make / set aside ... time
- co-create / fulfill / set / achieve ... learning goals

Vocabulary 2

- 1 B
- 2 D
- 3 F
- 4 G
- 5 A
- 6 E
- 7 C