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1.wack

2.cop

3.snob

4.pump the brakes

5.rusty

6.kid

7.bar hop

8.southpaw

9.crummy

10.spotlight

11.hassle

12.clueless

13.freebie

14.chirp

15.it is what it is

16.BO

17.hear me out

18.tummy

Correct these sentences

1. She woke up lately.

2. I drove my bicycle to school.

3. He went to home last week.

4. I very like baseball.

5. Today was very tired.

6. She loves to play bowling.

7. In my free time I like singing, dancing, and to read.

8. Somerville is my English conversation professor.

## 30 million people invited to read books in January, 2015



The co-founder of Facebook, Mark Zuckerberg, has launched what could be the world's largest ever book club. Zuckerberg announced last week that his New Year's resolution was to read a book every other week. He then invited his 30 million followers to join him in his literary pursuit. He

created his own Facebook page called A Year of Books, on which he will announce what his latest read is and ask people to discuss the book with him. He explained the rationale for his initiative in a post, saying: "I'm excited for my reading challenge. I've found reading books very intellectually fulfilling. Books allow you to fully explore a topic and immerse yourself in a deeper way than most media today."

Zuckerberg has already selected his first book, 'The End of Power' by Moises Naim. He explained "It's a book that explores how the world is shifting to give individual people more power that was traditionally only held by large governments, militaries and other organizations. The trend towards giving people more power is one I believe in deeply, and I'm looking forward to reading this book and exploring this in more detail." Zuckerberg takes on a challenge every year as a way to broaden his perspectives and learn more about the world, different cultures, beliefs, histories and technologies. A previous task was to learn to speak Mandarin, which he has managed to do.

Sources: TIME / TechTimes.com / Mashable.com

### Writing

Reading is the most important thing to learn at school. Discuss.

### Chat

Talk about these words from the article.

*co-founder / Facebook / book club / resolution / literary / initiative / intellectually / selected / individual / power / looking forward / perspectives / beliefs / previous task*

### True / False

- Mark Zuckerberg has launched the world's biggest book club. T / F
- Zuckerberg said he would read a book every week for a year. T / F
- People will get the chance to discuss books with Zuckerberg. T / F
- Zuckerberg says reading books is intellectually fulfilling. T / F
- There is a competition to select Zuckerberg's first book. T / F
- Zuckerberg deeply believed individuals should have more power. T / F
- This is the first of many yearly challenges Zuckerberg will take on. T / F
- Zuckerberg previously learned to speak Mandarin. T / F

### Synonym Match

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1. launched     | a. chosen           |
| 2. resolution   | b. satisfying       |
| 3. pursuit      | c. activity         |
| 4. fulfilling   | d. moving           |
| 5. immerse      | e. ways of thinking |
| 6. selected     | f. started          |
| 7. shifting     | g. movement         |
| 8. trend        | h. earlier          |
| 9. perspectives | i. absorb           |
| 10. previous    | j. intention        |

### Discussion - Student A

- Would you like to read the book Mark Zuckerberg selected?
- If you wrote a book, what would it be about?
- What would you say to someone who doesn't like reading?
- Are there any bad things about reading books?
- What do you think we'll be reading in 100 years from now?
- How often do you think people should read?
- What do you think of this reading challenge?
- What questions would you like to ask Mark Zuckerberg?

30 million people invited to read books

1. Who is the co-founder of Facebook?

What has he founded?

What's his New Year's resolution(goal)?

What's the name of the Facebook page he created?(And what will he do?)

Why's he doing this?

2. What's the first book selected?

3. What does Zuckerberg try to do every year?

What was a previous task?

4. Do you enjoy reading?

If no, why not?

If yes, why?

5. Tell me about a book you've read

6. What are your New Year's resolutions(goals) for 2021?

(Name 3)

a.

b.

c.

7. How can reading help you learn English?

# 1

# That's what friends are for!

## 1

### SNAPSHOT

#### Love and Marriage in North America

##### What women look for in a partner

1. love
2. understanding
3. conversation
4. time together
5. a positive attitude
6. a good listener
7. affection
8. responsibility at home
9. free time
10. good health



##### What men look for in a partner

1. belief in his capabilities
2. understanding
3. compliments
4. acceptance
5. direct conversation
6. affection
7. respect
8. free time
9. trust
10. companionship

Source: <http://marriage.about.com>

What qualities do both men and women look for in their partners?  
 In your opinion, which of the things above are most important to look for in a partner?  
 Are there other important qualities missing from the lists?

## 2

### CONVERSATION I like guys who ...

**A** Listen and practice.

Chris: Do you have a date for your friend's wedding yet?

Kim: Actually, no, I don't. ... Do you know anyone I could go with?

Chris: Hmm. What kind of guys do you like?

Kim: Oh, I like guys who aren't too serious and who have a good sense of humor. You know, someone like you.

Chris: OK. Uh, what else?

Kim: Well, I'd prefer someone I have something in common with – who I can talk to easily.

Chris: I think I know just the guy for you. Bob Branson. Do you know him?

Kim: No, I don't think so.

Chris: OK, I'll ask him to meet us for coffee, and you can tell me what you think.

**B** Listen to Chris and Kim discuss Bob after they met for coffee. How did Kim like him?



### 3 GRAMMAR FOCUS

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#### Relative pronouns

##### As the subject of a clause

I like guys **who/that** aren't too serious.  
I like guys **who/that** have a good sense of humor.

##### As the object of a clause

I'd prefer someone **(who/that)** I have fun with.  
I'd prefer someone **(who/that)** I can talk to easily.

**A** Match the information in columns A and B. Then compare with a partner.

#### A

1. I don't want to have a partner who/that .....d.....
2. I enjoy teachers who/that .....
3. I'd prefer a roommate who/that .....
4. I don't like to be with people who/that .....
5. I discuss my problems with friends who/that .....
6. I'd like to have a boss who/that .....
7. I like to meet people who/that .....

#### B

- a. help me understand things easily.
- b. I respect as a leader.
- c. have a good sense of humor.
- d. I have nothing in common with.
- e. can give me good advice.
- f. I don't feel comfortable around.
- g. is quiet, considerate, and neat.

**B** Put a line through *who/that* in part A if it's optional. Then compare with a partner.

**C PAIR WORK** Complete the sentences in column A with your own information.

Do you and your partner have similar opinions?

A: I don't want to have a partner who isn't a good listener.

B: Neither do I. I don't want to have a partner who doesn't have a positive attitude either.

### 4 WORD POWER Personalities

**A** Match the words with the definitions. Then decide whether the words are positive (P) or negative (N). Write P or N after each word.

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|--------------------------|---|
| 1. easygoing .....P..... | <del>a.</del> a person who doesn't change easily and is stubborn        |
| 2. egotistical .....     | <del>b.</del> someone who doesn't like sharing                          |
| 3. inflexible .....      | <del>c.</del> someone who has a very high opinion of him- or herself    |
| 4. modest .....          | <del>d.</del> someone who is helpful and encouraging                    |
| 5. sociable .....        | <del>e.</del> a person who doesn't do what he or she promised           |
| 6. stingy .....          | <del>f.</del> a person who enjoys being with other people               |
| 7. supportive .....      | <del>g.</del> a person who has unpredictable or irregular moods         |
| 8. temperamental .....   | <del>h.</del> a person who doesn't worry much or get angry easily       |
| 9. unreliable .....      | <del>i.</del> someone who doesn't brag about his or her accomplishments |

**PAIR WORK** Cover the definitions. Take turns talking about the adjectives in your own words.

easygoing person is someone who ..."

**PAIR WORK** Think of at least two adjectives to describe yourself. Then tell a partner.

## 5 LISTENING What are they like?

**A** Listen to conversations that describe three people. Are the descriptions positive (P) or negative (N)? Check (✓) the box.

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|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| 1. Andrea      | <input type="checkbox"/> P | <input type="checkbox"/> N | ..... | ..... |
| 2. James       | <input type="checkbox"/> P | <input type="checkbox"/> N | ..... | ..... |
| 3. Mr. Johnson | <input type="checkbox"/> P | <input type="checkbox"/> N | ..... | ..... |

**B** Listen again. Write two adjectives that describe each person in the chart.

## 6 DISCUSSION Ideal people

**A** What is the ideal parent, friend, or partner like? What is one quality each should have and one quality each should *not* have? Complete the chart.

	This person is .....	This person is not .....
The ideal parent	.....	.....
The ideal friend	.....	.....
The ideal partner	.....	.....

**B GROUP WORK** Take turns describing your ideal people. Try to agree on the two most important qualities for a parent, a friend, and a partner.

- A: I think the ideal parent is someone who is easygoing and who ...  
 B: I agree. The ideal parent is someone that doesn't get upset easily and who isn't temperamental.  
 C: Oh, I'm not sure I agree. ...



## 7 WRITING About a best friend

**A** Think about your best friend. Answer the questions. Then write a paragraph.

- What is your best friend like?
- How long have you been friends?
- How did you meet?
- How are you similar?
- How are you different?



My best friend is someone who is friendly and easygoing. She's a reliable friend and someone who I can call anytime. We've been friends for about five years, but we didn't become friends right away. We ...

**B PAIRWORK** Exchange paragraphs. How are your best friends similar? How are they different?