# Have you seen the news?

# **Glossary**

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- 5.1 (the) press (n) /(ðə) pres/ newspapers and magazines • The news of the flood was reported in the press. ❖ stampa
- press conference (n) /pres 'konfərəns/ interview with journalists The actor announced at a press conference that she would do one last film. ❖ conferenza stampa
   Syn: news conference
- 5.3 soundbite (n) /'saundbart/
  a short phrase or sentence, which is
  easily remembered, taken from a speech,
  especially by a politician, which makes a
  point and is repeated in the media Most
  politicians have speeches carefully written to
  include soundbites so their message will be
  remembered. ❖ estratto
- memorable (adj) /'memrəbl/
  which can be remembered easily;
  unforgettable The first time I sang in public
  was a memorable experience. ➤ memory (n)
  memorabile

# Reading Pages 54-55

- (the) media (n pl) /(ðə) 'miːdɪə/ all the ways of spreading news and entertainment, e.g. TV, radio, newspapers, internet sites TV and radio used to be the most popular media till the internet took over.
  media NB: singular: medium
- 5.6 disinformation (n) /ˌdɪsˌɪnfəˈmeɪʃn/
  false information about sth The videos
  online were carefully designed to spread
  disinformation denying the country's social
  problems. ❖ disinformazione
- 5.7 false (n) /fɔːls/ not real or true ● Check your facts carefully because there's so much false information around on social media. ❖ falso
- misleading (adj) /,mis'li:din/
  not true, but appearing to be The
  advertisement gives the misleading impression
  that the sugary breakfast cereal is a healthy
  choice. ➤ mislead (v) ❖ fuorviante

  Opp: factual

- spread (v) /spred/
  tell or be told to a large number of people
  News of the celebrity couple's separation spread quickly. ➤ spread (n) ❖ diffondere
  Also: spread the news, spread gossip/rumours
- 5.10 deliberately (adv) /dr'lrbərətli/ on purpose, not by chance ● She deliberately switches off her phone at night so it won't distract her from sleeping. ➤ deliberate (adj) deliberatamente
- 5.12 crevasse (n) /krəˈvæs/ deep crack in a rock or ice • The climber broke his arm when he fell into a crevasse on the mountain. ❖ crepaccio
- overtake (v) /ˌəʊvəˈteɪk/
  go past sb/sth moving in front of you because
  you are moving faster She overtook
  all the other cyclists and won the race.
  ❖ sorpassare
- instinct (n) /'Instinkt/
  natural reaction without thinking Following its
  instincts, the cat caught the bird and brought it
  into the house. ➤ instinctive (adj)
   istinto
- rational (adj) /ˈræʃənl/
  based on logic Screaming loudly wasn't a
  helpful or rational reaction to seeing the snake
  in the woods. ➤ rationality (n), rationally (adv)
   razionale ⑤ Opp: irrational
- 5.16 cognitive (adj) /ˈkɒgnətɪv/
   connected with thinking and understanding

   It's fascinating to observe children's cognitive development as they come to understand the world around them. ❖ cognitivo
- tend to (v) /tend tu:/
   often do a particular thing People tend to
   waste a lot of time chatting on social media.
   > tendency (n) ❖ tendere a
- 5.18 logically (adv) /'lɒdʒɪkli/
  in a way that is sensible and logical It can be
  difficult to remain calm and think logically when
  you're under too much pressure. ➤ logic (n),
  logical (adj) ❖ logicamente ை Opp: illogically

- psychologist (n) /sar'koladgist/
   a scientist trained in the study of the mind and behaviour He's seeing a psychologist to overcome his fear of speaking in public.

   psychology (n), psychological (adj)
   psicologo
- 5.20 logic (n) /'lodʒɪk/ a reasonable way of thinking ● There's no logic in your decision to leave your job. ➤ logical (adj), logically (adv) ❖ logica
- skim read (expr) /skim ri:d/
  read sth quickly to get the general meaning
  She skim reads the headlines to catch up with the news. ❖ scorrere leggendo
- 5.22 come to a decision (expr) /kʌm tʊ ə dɪˈsɪʒn/ reach a decision; decide Have you come to a decision about what career you'd like to follow? ❖ arrivare a una decisione
- 5.23 unlimited (adj) /ʌn'lɪmɪtɪd/
  without limits Situated near the mountain
  streams, the village has an unlimited water
  supply. ❖ illimitato ⑤ Opp: limited
- 5.24 distribute (v) /dr'strrbju:t/
  share things among people The restaurant had
  advertising leaflets distributed to attract more
  customers. ➤ distribution (n) ❖ distribuire
- platform (n) /'plætfɔːm/
   a place for people to express their opinions
   and share information in public He shared
   the photos on several social media platforms.
   piattaforma
- 5.27 implication (n) /ˌɪmplɪ'keɪʃn/
  possible effects or results of sth The
  construction of a new road will have
  implications for the residents on the outskirts of
  town. ➤ implicate, imply (v) ❖ implicazione
- 5.28 nutrition (n) /nju:'trɪʃn/
  the things in the food you eat that keep you healthy Children need a proper diet that ensures good nutrition to grow well.

  > nutritious (adj) ❖ nutrizione
- **5.29** reinforce (v) /rixin'foxs/
  make sth stronger The timing of the incident reinforced his belief that the fire had been started deliberately. ➤ reinforced (adj), reinforcement (n) ❖ rafforzare
- bias (n) /ˈbaɪəs/
  favouring one thing over another The
  referee's decision showed an unfair bias
  towards the home team. ➤ biased (adj)
   propensione Syn: prejudice

- intellectual (adj) /ˌɪntəˈlektʃuəl/
  related to the ability to think logically and
  understand Children should be encouraged
  to develop both artistic and intellectual skills.

  > intellect (n) ❖ intellettuale
- persuasive (adj) /pəˈsweɪsɪv/
   able to talk sb into doing or believing sth The estate agent was very persuasive, so we were convinced that the house was a bargain.
   persuade (v), persuasion (n) ❖ convincente
- 5.33 psychological (adj) /saɪkəˈlɒdʒɪkl/
  to do with your mind and thoughts He
  has suffered from psychological problems
  since the accident. ➤ psychologically (adv),
  psychologist, psychology (n) ❖ psicologico
- misinformation (n) /ˌmɪsˌɪnfəˈmeɪʃn/
  wrong information about sth presented as fact
  There is so much misinformation around about environmental issues. ➤ misinform (v)
  disinformazione
- 5.35 likelihood (n) /ˈlaɪklihʊd/
  possibility In all likelihood, driverless buses
  will soon be a common sight in our cities.

  ➤ likely (adj) ❖ probabilità
- 5.36 source (n) /sɔːs/
  the place or thing which sth originates from
  Living in poverty is a source of unhappiness for many people. ❖ fonte
- 5.37 regularly (adv) /'regjələli/
   at regular intervals She goes jogging regularly at least three times a week.
   ➤ regular (adj) ❖ regolarmente
- widely (adv) /ˈwaɪdli/
  a lot; to a large extent Her books are now distributed widely in several languages.
  ⇒ wide (adj), widen (v), width (n)
  ampiamente
- in depth (expr) /In depθ/
   in detail In the podcast, she explains her theory in depth. ➤ deep (adj), deepen (v)
   in profondità
- 5.40 stand out (phr v) /stænd aʊt/
  be noticeable This blogger stands out from
  the rest as he appears to back up his ideas
  with facts. ❖ distinguersi
- 5.41 put pressure on sb/sth (expr) /pʊt 'preʃər on 'sʌmbədi/'sʌmθɪŋ/ force sb/sth to do sth Local groups are putting pressure on the council to create safe play areas for children. ➤ pressure, pressurise (v) ❖ fare pressione
- 5.42 guidance (n) /'gaɪdns/
  help or advice I found some videos giving
  guidance on how to fix the software error.
   > guide (n, v) ❖ guida

## Vocabulary Page 56

- journalism (n) /ˈdʒɜːnəlɪzəm/
  the work of identifying and writing new stories
  for the media She studied journalism and
  made a successful career writing for
  a major newspaper. ➤ journalist (n)
   ġ giornalismo
- 5.44 human interest (n) /<sub>i</sub>hjuːmən 'ɪntrəst/ information or a story that is interesting because it describes personal lives or feelings
  The film was a human interest story about a man's search for his natural mother.
  ❖ interesse umano
- 5.45 breaking news (n) /'breɪkɪŋ 'njuːz/
  new information about an event that is
  currently happening The programme was
  interrupted to present breaking news about the
  earthquake. ❖ edizione straordinaria
- 5.46 current affairs (n pl) /ˈkʌrənt əˈfeəz/
  important political or other events that are
  happening now It is important to keep
  informed about current affairs so you know
  what is happening in the world. ❖ cronaca
- political analysis (n) /pəˈlɪtɪkl əˈnæləsɪs/
  the study of what's happening in government
  and political organisations The news report
  gave a complete political analysis of the
  possible outcomes of the election.
   ♣ analisi politica
- inspection (n) /ɪnˈspekʃn/
   the act of checking sth closely, especially to see that rules are being followed After the editor's inspection, the magazine was published online. ➤ inspect (v), inspector (n)
   ispezione
- anonymous (adj) /əˈnɒnɪməs/
  unknown or not wishing to be known in public
  The police have received information about the case from an anonymous caller.
  ⇒ anonymity (n) ❖ anonimo
- press release (n) /'pres rɪ'liːs/
   a news update or short report The
   government press release outlines their
   financial plans for the next year.
   comunicato stampa
- assessment (n) /əˈsesmənt/
  a measure of the extent or quality of sth
  The emergency services made an in-depth assessment of the storm damage. ➤ assess (v) ❖ valutazione
- official (adj) /ə'fɪʃl/
  which is said or done with authority The report came from an official government source. ➤ official (n), officially (adv)
   ufficiale Sopp: unofficial

- 5.53 broadcast (v) /'brɔːdkɑːst/ transmit a radio or TV programme • The news is broadcast every evening at 10 p.m. >> broadcast, broadcaster (n) ❖ trasmettere
- 5.54 call in (phr v) /kɔːl ɪn/
  phone A few listeners called in during the
  live TV programme to give information about
  the missing person. ❖ chiamare
- the number of copies that each issue of a newspaper or magazine sells The magazine had a circulation of over 100,000.

  > circulate (v) ❖ circolazione
- panel (n) /'pænl/
   a group of specialists who discuss opinions
   about sth The discussion panel consisted of
   representatives from each political party.
   ❖ panel
- subscriber (n) /səb'skraɪbə(r)/
   sb who supports or pays to receive information from a magazine, newspaper or online service Her YouTube channel has attracted thousands of subscribers. ➤ subscribe (v)
   abbonato
- 5.58 trustworthy (adj) /¹tr∧stwɜ:ði/ that can be trusted and depended on • I'd never tell Marcus any secrets as he isn't trustworthy. ➤ trust (v), trustworthiness (n) • affidabile
- activist (n) /ˈæktɪvɪst/
  a person who works towards social change,
  often collectively A group of environmental
  activists prevented the loggers from destroying
  the forest. ➤ activism (n), active (adj), actively
  (adv) ❖ attivista
- electorate (n) /r'lektərət/
  all the people who can vote in an election
  The opposition's campaign was aimed at attracting votes from the younger members of the electorate. ➤ elect (v), election (n)
  elettorato
- manifesto (n) /ˌmænɪˈfestəʊ/
  the written aims of a group, especially a
  political party The party's election manifesto
  includes a promise to increase the minimum
  wage. ❖ manifesto
- 5.62 councillor (n) /ˈkaʊnsələ(r)/
   a member of a council, the group elected to govern a local area We've written to our local councillor about the traffic problem.
   ❖ consigliere
- diplomat (n) /'dɪpləmæt/
  a government representative who travels
  abroad to represent their country The
  statement was made by a US diplomat in
  Saudi Arabia. ➤ diplomacy (n), diplomatic (adj)
  diplomatico

- proposed (adj) /prəˈpəʊzd/
  planned or suggested The council held a
  press conference to present the plans for the
  proposed new bridge. ➤ proposal (n), propose
  (v) ❖ proposto
- 5.65 immigration (n) /ˌɪmɪˈgreɪʃn/
  the act of coming to live in a country from a
  different one In the 1950s, there was a high
  level of immigration to Australia from Europe
  when people came in search of better lives.
  > immigrate (v), immigrant (n)
  ♦ immigrazione
- opposition (n) /ˌɒpəˈzɪʃn/
  resistance to a decision The government
  faced opposition from environmental groups
  who didn't want wind turbines to be built in a
  conservation area. ❖ opposizione
- mislead (v) /₁mɪs'liːd/
  give sb incorrect information to make them
  believe sth that isn't true The voters were
  completely misled by the government's false
  promises to cut taxes. ➤ misleading (adj)
   ingannare
- 5.68 dictator (n) /dɪk'teɪtə(r)/ a leader who has absolute control of a country, often obtained by force • The country was ruled by a cruel dictator. ➤ dictate (v), dictatorship (n) ❖ dittatore
- propaganda (n) /ˌprɒpəˈgændə/
  one-sided arguments and promises used
  to win support for an idea or political party
  The prime minister's sudden interest in
  the environment is nothing but pre-election
  propaganda. ❖ propaganda
- 5.70 constitution (n) /ˌkonstr'tju:ʃn/
  the system of laws and beliefs that controls
  a country or organisation The president
  proposed some changes to the constitution to
  suit his own political plans. ❖ costituzione
- **5.71** referendum (n) /ˌrefəˈrendəm/
  a public vote on an important matter *The*government refused to accept the result of the
  region's referendum on independence.
  ❖ referendum
- anger (v) /ˈæŋgə(r)/
  make sb angry The politician's statement
  angered everybody, even her own party
  members. ➤ anger (n), angry (adj), angrily (adv)
  ♦ fare arrabbiare
- 5.73 demand (v) /dr'mɑːnd/
  insist on When the shop sent me a second
  faulty tablet, I returned it and demanded a
  refund. ➤ demand (n), demanding (adj)
   richiedere

## Grammar Page 57

- 5.75 speech (n) /spi:tʃ/
  a talk for a group of people to hear
  We watched the prime minister make his speech about unemployment on TV.
  ❖ discorso

# Listening Page 58

- 5.76 conventional (adj) /kənˈvenʃənəl/
  normal, typical News spreads faster online
  than it does with conventional newspapers.

  > conventionally (adv) ❖ convenzionale

  © Opp: unconventional
- 5.77 fanbase (n) /ˈfæn beɪs/ the group of followers who admire a particular performer, writer or other celebrity ● The band's fanbase consists mainly of teenagers. ❖ fan
- generate (v) /'dgenəreɪt/
   produce Do you think they will generate enough support to win the election?
   ⇒ generator, generation (n) ❖ generare
- engagement (n) /ɪnˈgeɪdʒmənt/
  involvement and interest in sth The blog post
  aimed to generate engagement in the band's
  new album. ➤ engage (v), engaging (adj)

  impegno
- 5.80 tweet (v) /twiːt/ send a message or image on the social media app, Twitter ● Participants tweeted their photos directly from the demonstration. ➤ tweet (n) ◆ twittare
- 5.81 distract (v) /dɪs'trækt/
  prevent sb from concentrating on sth
  I need to study in a place where nothing can distract me. ➤ distraction (n) ❖ distrarre

# Speaking Page 59

- front page (n) /ˌfrʌnt 'peɪdʒ/
  the first page of a newspaper which gives the
  main news headlines The story made the
  front page of most major newspapers.
  ⇒ prima pagina
- 5.83 gossip columnist (n) /'gpsip 'kolemnist/ a journalist who writes about the private lives of celebrities ● The news of their divorce was mentioned by a gossip columnist in a popular newspaper. ❖ giornalista di stampa scandalistica

negotiate (v) /nr'gəʊʃieɪt/
discuss sth to reach an agreement or make
a deal • A diplomat's job involves negotiating
with leaders of other countries. ➤ negotiation,
negotiator (n), negotiable (adj)
 trattare, negoziare

## People: individuals

activist gossip columnist councillor protestor

dictator psychologist diplomat subscriber

## Grammar Page 60

publish (v) /p∧blɪʃ/
 to print sth in a newspaper, magazine or book,
 etc. • My article was published in the school magazine. ➤ publisher (n) ❖ pubblicare

5.86 column (n) /ˈkɒləm/
a regular newspaper or magazine article on a particular subject or by a particular journalist
She writes a column on book reviews for a national newspaper. ❖ colonna

5.87 accuse (v) /əˈkjuːz/
say sb has done sth wrong ● The politician
was accused of hiding information from the
public before the election. ❖ accusare

5.88 elect (v) /r'lɛkt/
choose a person to represent a group or serve
a particular role by voting. ● Jamie was elected
as our class president. ➤ election, electorate
(n) ❖ eleggere

5.89 lie (v) /laɪ/
 deliberately say sth which isn't true ● He lied
 to his manager and said he was ill to cover his
 absence from work. ➤ lie, liar (n)
 ❖ mentire

**5.90** enquire (v) /ɪnˈkwaɪə(r)/
ask • He enquired at the hotel reception about his missing key. ➤ enquiry (n) ❖ rivolgersi

5.91 go viral (expr) /gəʊ 'vaɪrəl/ spread rapidly over the internet • News of the fire went viral within minutes on Twitter. ❖ diventare virale

5.92 threaten (v) /'θretn/ say you will cause harm or damage to sb/ sth if you don't get what you want ● The boss threatened to fire her if she made any more mistakes at work. ➤ threat (n), threatening (adj) ❖ minacciare

**5.93** admit (v) /ədˈmɪt/
agree that you did sth bad or that sth bad is true ● *The meteorologist admitted that they had not forecast the weather correctly.* ❖ ammettere

## People: groups

electorate panel the press opposition union

# Use your English Page 61

5.94 break the (bad) news (expr) /breɪk ðə (bæd) njuːz/
be the first to tell sb about sth (bad) that has happened • I didn't want to be the one to break the bad news to him about the accident.
❖ annunciare una brutta notizia

5.95 old news (expr) /₁əʊld njuːz/
information that people have already
heard about • By the time I met up with Harry
for lunch, his trip to Bali was already old news.
❖ notizia superata

that's news to me (expr) /ðæts njuzz tʊ miz/
that's sth I didn't know ● That's news to me
that they're getting a divorce. I didn't even
know they were married! ❖ mi giunge nuovo

5.97 welcome news (expr) /ˈwelkʌm njuːz/
news you are happy to receive ● The
announcement of his promotion came as
welcome news. ❖ bella notizia

5.98 union (n) /ˈjuːniən/
a formal organisation of workers to protect
their rights and improve working conditions

The transport workers' union has objected to
the proposed change in working hours.
❖ sindacato

5.99 crash-land (v) /'kræ∫ lænd/
make an emergency landing • The plane had
run out of fuel, so the pilot crash-landed in a
field. ❖ fare un atterraggio di emergenza

5.100 postpone (v) /pəʊs'pəʊn/
delay until a later date ● The chat show has
been postponed to six thirty because of the
emergency news broadcast. ❖ rimandare

Syn: put off

5.101 make sense (phr) /meɪk sens/
be logical or a good thing to do ● Diane didn't
enjoy that film because the ending didn't make
sense. ❖ avere senso

5.102 come up with (phr v) /kʌm ʌp wið/
think of • The Romans came up with the
brilliant idea of building roads straight across
England. ❖ inventarsi

5.103 get (sth) across (phr v) /get ('sʌmθɪŋ) ə'krɔs/
make sth understood • He's a little shy, which
makes it hard for him to get his ideas across.

❖ far capire

- 5.104 have a word (with) (phr v) /hæv ə wɜːd (wɪθ)/ discuss sth with sb Mandy had a word with her son's teacher to discuss his progress.
   ❖ scambiare due parole
- 5.105 call for (phr v) /kɔːl fɔː/
  require Dealing with immigration issues
  calls for action from governments worldwide.
  ❖ richiedere
- 5.106 clear up sth (phr v) /kliər ∧p 'sʌmθɪŋ/ deal with a problem or explain sth She spoke to her employees to clear up any doubts about the future of the company. ❖ fugare
- **5.107 briefly** (adv) /'briːfli/ for a short time • *We only discussed the matter briefly* > brief (adj) ❖ brevemente
- 5.108 misunderstanding (n) /ˌmɪsʌndəˈstændɪŋ/ a situation where sb does not understand sth correctly Through some misunderstanding, the parcel was delivered to the wrong address.
  ➤ misunderstand (v) ❖ incomprensione
- **5.109** depressing (adj) /dr'presɪŋ/
  which makes you feel very unhappy *The*story was so depressing because it had a
  sad ending. ➤ depress (v), depression (n),
  depressed (adj) ❖ deprimente
- 5.110 poverty (n) /'poveti/
   the state of being very poor Jenny is cycling around the world to raise money to fight child poverty. ➤ poor (adj), the poor (n pl)
   ❖ povertà

#### **Expressions with news**

break the (bad) news breaking news that's news to me welcome news

old news

### **Expressions and phrasal verbs**

call for get (sth) across call in go viral

clear up sth have a word (with)

come to a decision make sense come up with stand out

## Writing Pages 62-63

- **5.111** updated (adj) /,∧p'dertrd/
  revised to the latest version Unfortunately,
  the updated app doesn't work on my phone.

  > update (n, v) ❖ aggiornato
- 5.112 consciously (adv) /ˈkɒnʃəsli/ intentionally; with full awareness Did you consciously decide to tell him or was it a slip? ➤ consciousness (n), conscious (adj) ❖ consapevolmente ⑤ Opp: unconsciously, subconsciously

- 5.113 undoubtedly (adv) /∧n'daʊtɪdli/ without a doubt • He undoubtedly had good reasons for refusing the job offer. ➤ undoubted (adj) ❖ senza dubbio ⑤ Syn: definitely
- integral (adj) /'Intigral/
  essential; which can't be removed Emails
  and instant messaging have become integral
  parts of everyday communication.
   integrate (v) ❖ integrale
- 5.115 consumption (n) /kən'sʌmpʃn/
  using, eating or drinking sth We must cut
  down on our consumption of the earth's
  resources. ➤ consume (v), consumer,
  consumerism (n) ❖ consumo
- effective (adj) /Iˈfektɪv/
   which achieves what is intended Video chats
   are a fast and effective form of communication.
   ⇒ effectiveness (n), effectively (adv)
   efficace ⑤ Opp: ineffective
- isolated (adj) /'aɪsəleɪtɪd/
  not seeing or being in touch with other people
  Working online from home can cause people to feel isolated from the real world. ➤ isolate
  (v), isolation (n) ❖ isolato
- 5.118 mental (adj) /'mentl/ relating to the mind and thinking ● Socialising with friends is important for our mental health. > mentality (n) ❖ mentale
- 5.119 alarming (adj) /əˈlɑːmɪŋ/
  frightening or worrying There has been an
  alarming increase in unemployment in recent
  years. ➤ alarm (n, v), alarmingly (adv)
  ♦ allarmante

# Live well, study well

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- 5.120 nerves (n pl) /n3:vz/ feeling of stress and worry • He always suffers from nerves in job interviews. ➤ nervous (adj), nervously (adv) ❖ nervi
- **5.121** assignment (n) /ə'saɪnmənt/ a piece of work that sb is given to do, often as part of their studies ● *I managed to hand in* my class assignment on time. ❖ incarico
- 5.122 recap (v) /'riːkæp/ repeat or summarise ● Let me recap the main points of our discussion before we make a decision. ❖ ricapitolare
- alternatively (adv) /ɔːlˈtɜːnətɪvli/
  as a second possibility We could write to our
  councillor about the problem. Alternatively, we
  could go to the press. ➤ alternative (adj)
  in alternativa

5.124 eye contact (n) /ar 'kɒntækt/
 looking directly at sb's eyes ● I'm sure he was
 lying from the way he avoided eye contact.
 ❖ contatto visivo

5.125 sip (n) /sip/ a very small amount of a drink ● He stopped regularly to take sips of water on his long walk. > sip (v) ❖ sorso

## **Compound nouns**

current affairs eye contact fanbase front page gossip columnist human interest political analysis press conference press release soundbite