

Tasks Video Unit 1

a) The ad makes fun of “false friends”, Germanisms and English words that sound similar (“become a baby” – “have a baby”, beagle – bagel, café – coffee, chef – boss – chief). Match each English word with the correct explanation as well as with what it is not.

a present • a lesson • poison • a place to leave a car • ~~in reality~~ •
 capable • a material • a speech or talk • a bench to sit down • ~~now or~~
~~recent~~ • understanding or compassion • a park • the same as confident •
 the same as being likeable • a factory • an organisation where people and
 businesses can invest and borrow money

	What it is	What it isn't
1. actually	in reality	now or recent
2. fabric		
3. gift		
4. lecture		
5. sympathy		
6. competent		
7. parking		
8. bank		

b) In the ad, the metaphoric expression “tongue-tied” is used. Match each expression with its explanation.

- 1. to be tongue-tied accidentally saying sth. one didn't mean to say
- 2. to bite one's tongue being able to speak very well
- 3. to have a slip of the tongue having a quick wit that can hurt others easily
- 4. to have loose lips not saying sth. that one wants to say
- 5. to have a silver tongue 1 unable to speak
- 6. to have a sharp tongue being quick to tell secrets

c) Read the ideas about language learning. Then highlight or tick those that were mentioned in the ad.

1. Speaking English is important and can help you have better conversations and avoid misunderstandings.
2. The best way to learn a new language is to practise speaking, listening, reading and writing as much as you can.
3. It's important to stay positive and keep practising, even if you make mistakes. The more you practise, the better you'll get!
4. Online courses can help you learn English and improve your skills.
5. Feedback and evaluations can help you see how much you've improved and what you need to work on.
6. It's important to set goals and track your progress to stay motivated.
7. Online courses are flexible, can be taken at your own pace and help you learn English and improve your skills.
8. Using real-life examples makes learning fun and interesting.
9. It is important that you have teachers to help you and guide you every step of the way.
10. By learning English, you will be able to join in more activities.
11. Learning a new language can make your brain work better and help you solve problems.
12. You can learn about new cultures and ways of life by speaking another language.
13. Speaking another language can open up new job opportunities and make travelling easier.
14. You can make new friends and have better relationships with people from different countries by speaking their language.
15. Learning a new language can make you feel more confident and motivated.
16. There are many tools and resources, like apps and videos, that can help you learn a new language.

d) Use three different colours to highlight what is true for Benjamin Button, Brad Pitt, as well as for both of them or write "BB" (for Benjamin Button), "BP" (for Brad Pitt) or "both" next to the statements. You can use online resources to find out more about them.

1. He has won many awards and has been recognised for his acting and producing.
2. He is a character from a movie called *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*.
3. He helps people by supporting charities and organisations.
4. He is played by Brad Pitt in the movie named after him.
5. He has been the focus of media attention.
6. He has been in many popular movies like *Fight Club*, *Ocean's Eleven*, *Mr. & Mrs. Smith*, and *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood*.
7. He starts life as an old person and gets younger as he grows up.
8. A lot of people think he is good-looking.
9. He has had some high-profile relationships and marriages, and the media often talks about his personal life.
10. He goes through different adventures because he ages differently from others.
11. He represents the idea of time, life and human experience.
12. He is a real person who acts and produces movies.
13. He was born on 18 December 1963 in Shawnee, Oklahoma.
14. He is successful in the movie industry.
15. He is famous.
16. He has inspired people with his story and achievements.

Key

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competent: capable, not the same as confident
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- b) 3 – 5 – 6 – 2 – 1 – 4
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