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Laughter

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One minute a day is all you need to improve your listening skills.
Focus on new words, grammar and pronunciation in this short text.
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THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

From: <http://www.listenAminute.com/l/laughter.html>

Laughter is what makes the world go round. If you can't laugh, life would be very boring and depressing. The sound of laughter is one of the most beautiful sounds in the world. Just hearing it makes me smile and want to laugh too. I have to find out what's funny so I can share the joke, or share the fun. I particularly love the sound of small children laughing. Their laughter is infectious. It's amazing the things they find to laugh about. I think I heard somewhere that laughter is the best medicine. That's so true. I also think a good laugh keeps you healthy. A few people I know belong to a laughter club. They stand around in circles and laugh. Yes, laughter really is one of the best things we do.



LISTENING GAP FILL

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UNJUMBLE THE WORDS

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
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6. _____

STUDENT LAUGHTER SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about laughter in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITING

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Write about laughter for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about laughter. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about laughter. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. LAUGHTER POSTER Make a poster about laughter. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY LAUGHTER LESSON: Make your own English lesson on laughter. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on laughter. Share your findings with the class.

