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Lies

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THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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I wonder if there is anyone in the world who never lies. Not even a small white lie. It seems everyone lies at some point in their life, or their day. Some people are better liars than others. In fact, I often read lying is an art. Children are pretty good at lying. Or perhaps they're pretty bad, because it's easy to tell when a child is lying. I read that the more lies children tell, the more intelligent they are. You need to be creative and imaginative to lie. There comes a stage in our lives when most of us stop lying. We are all told that it's always better to tell the truth. Not all of us do this though. There are many very intelligent people who lie. We even trust them to run our country. I've lost count of the number of politicians who have been caught lying.



LISTENING GAP FILL

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

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6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

1. _____
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STUDENT LIES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about lies 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.



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 lies. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

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

5. MY LIES LESSON: Make your own English lesson on lies. 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 lies. Share your findings with the class.

