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“50 canciones comerciales para practicar inglés”

Cincuenta canciones clásicas en inglés (con año y artista), cada una con tres ejercicios originales: Target Verbs, Reading Comprehension Story y True/False.

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Las historias de comprensión lectora forman parte del universo narrativo del Proyecto Alkayasí, sin seguir necesariamente el orden cronológico estricto de las 8 Situaciones de Aprendizaje.



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¿Por qué canciones en la clase de inglés?

Cuando escucha una canción en inglés antes de completar los ejercicios de esta unidad, no está simplemente disfrutando de una pausa amena entre la gramática y el vocabulario: está entrenando, de la forma más natural posible, aquello que más cuesta desarrollar en cualquier aula de idiomas — el oído. La música ofrece algo que ningún libro de texto puede replicar con la misma eficacia: lengua real, cargada de ritmo, entonación y emoción, repetida una y otra vez hasta quedar grabada en la memoria casi sin esfuerzo consciente.

La idea de usar canciones en la enseñanza de idiomas no es una moda reciente ni una simple estrategia para amenizar la clase. El lingüista Stephen Krashen, en su conocida Hipótesis del Filtro Afectivo, explica que aprendemos mejor cuando la ansiedad es baja y la motivación es alta: un aula relajada, donde el alumnado disfruta de lo que hace, facilita que la lengua "entre" con menos resistencia. Pocas actividades logran ese estado de relajación y disfrute con tanta naturalidad como escuchar y cantar una canción, especialmente entre alumnado adulto que, en muchos casos, regresa al aula después de décadas y llega con cierto recelo hacia el aprendizaje formal. Décadas antes, el psiquiatra y pedagogo búlgaro Georgi Lozanov ya había desarrollado la Sugestopedia, un método que utilizaba deliberadamente la música como herramienta para relajar al alumnado y favorecer la memorización de vocabulario y estructuras. La música, en ambos enfoques, no es un adorno: es un vehículo pedagógico.

Más allá del componente emocional, las canciones son también un recurso privilegiado para trabajar los aspectos orales del idioma, que son precisamente los más difíciles de practicar fuera de un entorno de inmersión real. Cuando cantamos, imitamos de forma inconsciente el ritmo, el acento tónico y la entonación natural del inglés — esos rasgos suprasegmentales que, según numerosos estudios de fonología aplicada a la enseñanza de segundas lenguas, resultan determinantes para que un hablante suene natural y sea comprendido con facilidad, incluso por encima de la pronunciación exacta de cada sonido aislado. Una canción nos obliga a producir enlaces entre palabras, contracciones y reducciones vocálicas —exactamente lo que ocurre en el habla espontánea— de un modo que ningún ejercicio de repetición mecánica consigue igualar. El investigador Tim Murphey, especializado en el uso de canciones en el aula de idiomas, describió este fenómeno como el "efecto de la canción pegadiza" (song-stuck-in-my-head phenomenon): una melodía se instala en la mente y, con ella, la estructura lingüística que transporta, de forma que el alumnado terminará tarareando —y por tanto practicando— el idioma incluso fuera del aula, sin proponérselo.

El ejercicio de lectura en voz alta que acompaña a cada canción de este libro —ya aparezca numerado como Ejercicio 2 o como Ejercicio 3, según la estructura de cada libro— no es casual en su diseño. Después de haber escuchado la canción y trabajado el vocabulario y los verbos de la unidad, el alumnado ya ha estado en contacto con el campo léxico y el tono emocional de la pieza varias veces. Leer el relato en voz alta en ese momento cierra el círculo: convierte la comprensión pasiva en producción oral activa, practicando la pronunciación, el ritmo de las frases y la fluidez de lectura en un texto que ya resulta familiar y cercano, lo que reduce la carga cognitiva y permite centrar la atención en cómo suena la propia voz al hablar inglés. Es, en definitiva, un puente controlado entre escuchar y hablar, dos destrezas que rara vez se entrenan juntas en la enseñanza tradicional de idiomas.

Existe además un argumento relacionado con la memoria a largo plazo. La combinación de melodía, ritmo y repetición favorece lo que la psicolingüística denomina "aprendizaje de secuencias formulaicas": fragmentos de lengua que se memorizan y recuperan como bloques completos, en lugar de palabra por palabra. Es el mismo mecanismo por el que muchas personas recuerdan perfectamente la letra de una canción escuchada por última vez hace veinte años, mientras que olvidan con facilidad una lista de vocabulario estudiada la semana pasada. Aprovechar ese mecanismo natural de la memoria, en lugar de

ignorarlo, es sencillamente buena pedagogía.

Conviene aclarar, además, que este razonamiento didáctico es igualmente válido tanto si la canción proviene de un artista o grupo reconocido como si ha sido generada mediante inteligencia artificial. Lo que aporta valor pedagógico no es la fama de quien interpreta la pieza, sino la calidad del insumo lingüístico que contiene: ritmo, entonación, vocabulario y estructuras gramaticales reales, presentadas de forma natural y memorable. Por eso este libro incluye ambos tipos de repertorio con el mismo tratamiento didáctico, sin distinción de estatus entre uno y otro: lo importante es la lengua que transportan, no su origen.

Tampoco puede olvidarse que quien usa este material es, en su inmensa mayoría, alumnado adulto, con toda la particularidad que ello implica. La andragogía, el campo de la pedagogía centrado específicamente en cómo aprenden las personas adultas —desarrollado en profundidad por autores como Malcolm Knowles—, subraya que el alumnado adulto aprende mejor cuando la actividad conecta con su experiencia vital, cuando percibe una utilidad clara y cuando se respeta su autonomía como aprendiz, en lugar de infantilizar el proceso. Las canciones cumplen holgadamente estos tres requisitos: son un terreno común a cualquier generación, tienen una aplicación inmediata y reconocible fuera del aula, y permiten a cada persona implicarse en el grado que le resulte cómodo, ya sea tarareando en silencio o leyendo el relato final en voz alta con total naturalidad.

Por último, no debe subestimarse el valor cultural y motivacional de trabajar con música real. Escuchar canciones —ya sean clásicos conocidos o piezas más recientes— conecta el aprendizaje del idioma con la cultura viva que lo rodea, y recuerda al alumnado adulto que el inglés no es solo una asignatura pendiente, sino una lengua que también se disfruta, se canta y se comparte. Ese componente lúdico, lejos de restar seriedad al aprendizaje, es precisamente lo que sostiene la motivación a largo plazo, tan necesaria en un proceso de aprendizaje permanente como el que se cursa en los centros de Educación Permanente de la Junta de Andalucía.

Por todas estas razones, cada canción de este libro no es un simple complemento de ocio entre unidades de gramática: es una herramienta didáctica deliberada, pensada para trabajar de forma integrada el oído, la pronunciación, la memoria léxica y la motivación del alumnado adulto. Disfrútela como lo que es: una forma agradable, eficaz y profundamente humana de aprender un idioma.



CANCIÓN 01/50

ABBA — "The Winner Takes It All" (1980)

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EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Yesterday, I _____ to my best friend about my favorite music. [talk]	
2	The happy children _____ a big house with beautiful Lego blocks right now. [build]	
3	My brother always _____ video games on his computer after school. [play]	
4	The young girl _____ a loud noise and looks out of the window. [hear]	
5	Last night, the famous actor _____ his new trophy with a big smile. [take]	
6	Right now, the teacher _____ the difficult English rules on the board. [explain]	
7	We _____ a funny movie at the local cinema last Saturday. [watch]	
8	My sister _____ her old boyfriend when she looks at old photos. [miss]	
9	The golden dice _____ on the table and stops on number six. [fall]	
10	She _____ a funny song in the kitchen at this very moment. [sing]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: audition, nervous, stage, microphone, winner

Carmen and Dolores are best friends, and they are today at the historic Teatro Cervantes in Almería. They want to sing in the famous "The Voice" television contest. It is a very big day because it is their first real audition. Carmen is incredibly nervous and her hands are cold as ice. Dolores tells her a funny joke about a singing cat to help her relax. Suddenly, the strict presenter calls Carmen's name. She walks carefully onto the grand stage and looks at the heavy microphone. She closes her eyes and sings an amazing ABBA song. The three judges love her beautiful voice and they stand up to clap. The public screams with joy. Carmen is the official winner of the day. Dolores runs to the center of the stage and gives her a giant, happy hug.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Carmen and Dolores are sisters competing in a television contest.	
2	The musical event takes place at the Teatro Cervantes in Almería.	
3	Dolores is the person who feels very nervous before the show.	
4	Carmen sings a song by the famous pop group ABBA on the stage.	
5	The strict judges hate the performance and do not clap at all.	

CANCIÓN 02/50

Adele — "Someone Like You" (2011)

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EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I _____ a beautiful song on the radio this morning. [hear]	
2	They _____ a nice house in a small village last year. [find]	
3	My sister _____ to a wonderful man two months ago. [marry]	
4	The shy boy always _____ behind the door when guests arrive. [hide]	
5	We _____ a big chocolate cake for your birthday party tonight. [bring]	
6	Every day, I _____ that my dreams come true in the future. [hope]	
7	I _____ a new English teacher at the school yesterday afternoon. [meet]	
8	My brother always _____ his keys inside his black backpack. [forget]	
9	She _____ her childhood days with a sweet smile on her face. [remember]	
10	The fast birds _____ high in the blue sky at this moment. [fly]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: sad, bench, fountain, letter, envelope

Gema Gloria sits alone under the warm sun on a long stone bench. She is at the beautiful Rambla de Almería, a lovely place with tall palm trees and green plants. The day is bright, but her heart is quite sad because her boyfriend is moving to a new country tomorrow. She takes out a pen and a clean piece of paper to write a final farewell letter. Gema carefully writes all her sweet memories and her deep wishes for his happy future. The water in the nearby grand fountain makes a relaxing sound while she finishes her message. Finally, she folds the paper gently and puts it into a white envelope. She walks away with a peaceful smile, ready to say goodbye forever.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Gema Gloria is writing a letter to her mother on a park bench.	
2	The story takes place at the famous Rambla de Almería.	
3	Gema feels very happy and excited about her boyfriend moving away.	
4	There is a grand fountain making a relaxing sound near Gema.	
5	She puts the finished farewell message into a white envelope.	

CANCIÓN 03/50

Amy Winehouse — "You Know I'm No Good" (2006)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Amy Winehouse - You Know Im No Good (2006) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My friends always _____ at the entrance of the restaurant at 8:00 PM. [meet]	
2	The small dog _____ the hot food on the table and wags its tail. [sniff]	
3	Yesterday, the little boy _____ because he lost his favorite blue toy. [cry]	
4	They _____ a delicious cold beer during their lunch last Sunday. [drink]	
5	Look! The beautiful birds _____ out of the open window right now. [fly]	
6	I _____ to my brother on the phone for two hours last night. [talk]	
7	The smart students always _____ the words of the teacher in class. [remember]	
8	My sister _____ a funny text message to her boyfriend this morning. [send]	
9	The heavy glass _____ on the kitchen floor and breaks into pieces. [fall]	
10	She _____ the answer to the question at this very moment. [know]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: waiter, tapas, angry, table, problem

Rosa and her close friend are inside the busy Bar Macareno in La Cañada de San Urbano, Almería. They sit at a small table near the door. The friendly waiter quickly brings two cold beers and some traditional tapas, like spicy potatoes and ham. However, nobody is eating because the two friends have a major problem to discuss. Rosa is very angry because her friend always forgets their appointments. They argue in low voices while the bar fills with local people. Her friend explains that his car is broken, but Rosa does not want to listen to his excuses. Finally, he apologizes and promises to buy a new bicycle to arrive on time in the future. Rosa smiles a little bit, finishes her tapa, and the argument ends peacefully.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Rosa and her friend are having lunch at a bar in La Cañada.	
2	The waiter brings two glasses of red wine to their table.	
3	The two friends are arguing because Rosa is very angry.	
4	The main problem is that Rosa always forgets their appointments.	
5	The friend promises to buy a new bicycle to fix the problem.	

CANCIÓN 04/50

Andy Williams — "Love Story" (1970)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Andy Williams - Love story (1970) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	We always _____ our English class at nine o'clock in the morning. [begin]	
2	My grandfather loves to _____ interesting stories about his young days. [tell]	
3	The train _____ at the station early yesterday morning. [arrive]	
4	The kind man _____ a beautiful red rose to his wife every Friday. [give]	
5	My mother always _____ the shopping bags with fresh vegetables. [fill]	
6	Right now, I _____ to the top shelf to get the green apples. [reach]	
7	The bright stars _____ beautifully in the dark sky last night. [burn]	
8	I _____ the answer to your difficult question right now. [know]	
9	The little children _____ to the park to play after school. [go]	
10	She _____ a big glass of water because she is very thirsty. [drink]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: shop, fruit, vegetables, married, happy

Rosario and Juan are two sweet grandparents who own a colorful local shop in Retamar, Almería. Every morning, they open the doors together to sell the best products in the neighborhood. Juan organizes the fresh fruit like sweet oranges and red tomatoes under the plastic awning. Meanwhile, Rosario cleans the green vegetables and smiles at the regular customers. This lovely couple is special because they are married for forty wonderful years. They work together every single day, but they never argue or feel tired of each other. Juan often plays romantic old music on a small radio to make Rosario laugh. They are very happy because their beautiful love story is just as strong as their very first day together.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Rosario and Juan have a colorful clothes shop in Retamar.	
2	Juan puts out fresh fruit like oranges and tomatoes every morning.	
3	The two grandparents have been married for forty wonderful years.	
4	Rosario and Juan argue a lot because they work together every day.	
5	Juan plays romantic music on a small radio to make his wife laugh.	

CANCIÓN 05/50

Barbra Streisand — "Woman In Love" (1980)

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EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My grandparents _____ a sweet kiss to say goodbye this morning. [kiss]	
2	The young boy _____ a scary sound in the dark room last night. [hear]	
3	I always _____ the truth when my teacher asks a question. [know]	
4	The tired student _____ on a small rock and drops his backpack. [stumble]	
5	They _____ a big surprise party for their friend's birthday next week. [plan]	
6	We _____ in a small house near the beautiful mountains last summer. [live]	
7	My brother _____ a long letter to his girlfriend two days ago. [write]	
8	The soccer player _____ on the green grass after a fast run. [fall]	
9	Right now, the mother _____ her small baby tightly in her arms. [hold]	
10	She _____ to her best friend on the phone at this moment. [talk]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: castle, marriage, view, ring, happy

Itto sits under a big tree and looks at the ancient castle of Serón in Almería. She remembers her very first visit to this beautiful town many years ago. She came to see the traditional house of his teacher Julio, which is located right next to the high stone walls. The memory brings a warm smile to her face. It was a romantic afternoon with a spectacular view of the green valley below. In that exact spot, Julio took a small box out of his jacket pocket. He held a beautiful silver ring and asked her partner to marry him. It was a perfect, unforgettable moment under the Spanish sun. Today, Itto feels incredibly happy because that special marriage proposal started a wonderful life together in Almería.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Itto is looking at a modern museum in the center of Almería.	
2	The house of teacher Julio is located next to the Serón castle.	
3	Itto visited the beautiful town of Serón for the first time today.	
4	Itto proposed marriage to her partner during her first visit there.	
5	He took a beautiful gold watch out of his pocket for the proposal.	

CANCIÓN 06/50

Ben E. King — "Stand By Me" (1968)

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EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The black cat always _____ out of the house when the night comes. [come]	
2	We _____ a huge ship in the ocean during our last holiday. [see]	
3	My protective brother always _____ next to me when I feel sad. [stand]	
4	The children _____ a lot when they watched the sad film yesterday. [cry]	
5	The heavy rocks _____ into the blue sea during the storm. [fall]	
6	I _____ out of the window and see the moon in the sky right now. [look]	
7	The young boy never _____ a tear when he hurts his knee. [shed]	
8	My sister _____ an old photo of our grandparents two hours ago. [find]	
9	They _____ English with their friends at the school this evening. [learn]	
10	She _____ a beautiful diary about her daily life every night. [write]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: alone, classroom, wor, lesson, proud

Rafa loves learning new things, and tonight he walks happily into the adult school Alkayasí. He is not alone today because he finally convinced his sweet wife to join the English course with him. They enter the bright classroom and sit together at a desk near the front. Their expert teacher, Julio, welcomes them with a big, friendly smile. He starts an interesting lesson about basic vocabulary and simple verbs. Rafa's wife is a little bit nervous at first, but she participates well and repeats the words correctly. Rafa looks at her and feels incredibly proud of her effort. They practice conversations together and laugh at their pronunciation mistakes. It is a fantastic night of study, and they promise to stand by each other every day until they speak perfect English.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Rafa goes to the adult school Alkayasí completely alone tonight.	
2	Julio is the name of the English teacher at the school.	
3	The husband and wife sit together at a desk in the classroom.	
4	Rafa feels very angry because his wife makes many mistakes.	
5	The couple promises to support each other during their English study.	

CANCIÓN 07/50

Billy Joel — "Honesty" (1979)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Billy Joel - Honesty (1979) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	They always _____ for their lost keys under the living room sofa. [search]	
2	My grandparents _____ in a beautiful, small house near the beach. [live]	
3	It always _____ to rain when we plan a nice weekend picnic. [seem]	
4	The kind teacher _____ his old books to the students yesterday. [give]	
5	I can _____ my favorite blue pen inside my school backpack now. [find]	
6	The elegant lady _____ a beautiful red dress to the party last night. [wear]	
7	My brother _____ to travel around the world with his best friends. [want]	
8	I _____ that the local library closes at eight o'clock tonight. [know]	
9	The polite student _____ for a glass of water during the lesson. [ask]	
10	We _____ upon our parents when we need good personal advice. [depend]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: cozy, honest, wise, sad, truth

Teacher Julio sits on a comfortable green sofa in his cozy living room. He is talking quietly with his lovely wife, Itto, after a very long day at school. Julio feels a little bit sad because some people at his job are not sincere. He explains to Itto that a few colleagues say nice things to his face but then change their stories later. Itto listens carefully and holds his hand to comfort him. Julio believes that being honest is the most important value in life, even when it is difficult. He thinks that the world needs more sincerity and fewer false promises. Itto agrees completely and tells him to always speak the truth no matter what. Her wise words make Julio smile, and he feels happy to have a true friend at home.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio is talking to his sister in the cozy school library.	
2	Julio feels sad because some colleagues at work show hypocrisy.	
3	His wife Itto disagrees with him and leaves the living room.	
4	Julio thinks that honesty is the most important value in life.	
5	Itto holds his hand and tells him to always speak the truth.	

CANCIÓN 08/50

Chris De Burgh — "Lady In Red" (1999)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Chris De Burgh - Lady In Red (1999) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I _____ at the beautiful pictures in the modern museum right now. [look]	
2	My lazy brother _____ his difficult English homework yesterday afternoon. [do]	
3	The bright yellow sun _____ in the clear blue sky every summer morning. [shine]	
4	The confused students always _____ the teacher a lot of questions. [ask]	
5	The hungry child _____ to eat a big chocolate ice cream yesterday. [want]	
6	They _____ together at the funny disco party at this very moment. [dance]	
7	My lovely sister _____ a new green jacket to school last Monday. [wear]	
8	I never _____ to call my sweet grandmother on her birthday. [forget]	
9	The driver _____ his car to the left side of the road five minutes ago. [turn]	
10	The happy baby _____ when his mother gives him a soft red toy. [smile]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: festival, dress, dice, board, champion

Teacher Julio and his wife Itto are celebrating the San Urbano festival in La Cañada. Tonight, the adult school Alkayasí is organizing a very important and funny "parchís" tournament. Parchís is a popular Spanish game for older people. Itto is wearing a stunning traditional Moroccan red dress. She looks absolutely gorgeous, and Julio cannot stop looking at her. Many adult students say hello and compliment her elegant style. They sit at a big wooden table to play the game. Julio throws the lucky dice and moves his small pieces across the colourful board. However, Itto is a fantastic player. She plays with great strategy, captures Julio's pieces, and wins the final match easily. She is the grand champion of the night! Teacher Julio smiles proudly, kisses her hand, and buys her a sweet churro to celebrate her big victory.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio and his wife Itto are at a music concert in Madrid.	
2	The Alkayasí school is organizing a popular "parchís" tournament.	
3	Itto is wearing a beautiful traditional Moroccan red dress tonight.	
4	Teacher Julio plays the game perfectly and wins the final match easily.	
5	Julio celebrates the victory by buying Itto a sweet churro at the end.	

CANCIÓN 09/50

Chris Rea — "Nothing To Fear" (1992)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Chris Rea - Nothing To Fear (1992) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I _____ the warm heat of the summer sun on my face today. [feel]	
2	My grandmother always tells me: "Please, never _____ your family." [forget]	
3	We _____ a bright shooting star in the sky last night. [see]	
4	The children _____ happily to the upbeat music at the party. [dance]	
5	The nice teacher _____ the new classroom to the young students. [show]	
6	They _____ at the beautiful painting in the art gallery right now. [gaze]	
7	We always _____ dinner together at eight o'clock in the evening. [eat]	
8	My sister _____ the big house early tomorrow morning to catch a bus. [leave]	
9	The tall security guard _____ next to the front door right now. [stand]	
10	I _____ that English grammar is very important for my future job. [know]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: workshop, corner, snake, scared, box

Zahra visits her good friend Sebastián at his busy mechanical workshop in Almería. She loves watching him repair old cars, but today she receives a terrible surprise. Suddenly, a tiny green snake comes out from a dark corner behind some old tires. Zahra is incredibly scared and jumps onto a sturdy plastic chair. She screams loudly because she absolutely hates snakes, rats, and mice. Sebastián hears the noise, drops his metal wrench, and runs to help her immediately. He is a very brave man and does not feel any fear. He calmly takes a large cardboard box and puts it over the little reptile. Sebastián carries the animal outside to the countryside where it is safe. Zahra gets down from the chair, breathes with relief, and thanks her friend for his fast help.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Zahra is visiting her friend Sebastián at his car workshop.	
2	A large brown rat jumps out from behind some old tires.	
3	Zahra feels very scared because she hates reptiles and mice.	
4	Sebastián uses a plastic bucket to catch the tiny snake.	
5	The mechanic carries the small animal outside to the countryside.	

CANCIÓN 10/50

Dire Straits — "Brothers In Arms" (1985)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Dire Straits - Brothers In Arms (1985) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	We _____ across the beautiful mist-covered mountains during our holiday last winter. [walk]	
2	The kind family always _____ their home to the people in need. [open]	
3	My friend _____ to his hometown last week after a long trip. [return]	
4	The bright fire _____ intensely in the dark fireplace all night. [burn]	
5	The experienced doctor _____ a terrible accident on the street yesterday. [witness]	
6	The strong words of the man _____ his best friend's feelings deeply. [hurt]	
7	We _____ together in a peaceful neighborhood far from the big city. [live]	
8	The old teacher _____ a final farewell to his students before retiring. [bid]	
9	A famous writer _____ this interesting book about history many years ago. [write]	
10	The young boys always _____ funny toy castles in the playground. [make]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: cousin, palace, missile, war, worried

Teacher Julio sits in the quiet courtyard of his family house in Serón. He is talking seriously with José Luis, his favorite cousin. The afternoon is peaceful, but José Luis is incredibly worried about his wife. She works very hard in Dubai for the wealthy sheikhs of the United Arab Emirates. A few days ago, a dangerous military missile exploded near the grand palace where she lives. The terrifying news shocked the whole family. Julio listens with deep empathy and brings his cousin a hot cup of tea. They discuss the horrible situation of the war in Iran and how it affects innocent people everywhere. Julio tells his cousin to stay strong and positive. Finally, José Luis checks his mobile phone, sees a safe message from his wife, and breathes a sigh of relief under the Spanish sun.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio and José Luis are talking in a modern school in Dubai.	
2	José Luis is very worried because a missile exploded near his wife.	
3	The wife of José Luis works for the wealthy sheikhs in the UAE.	
4	The two men discuss the beautiful weather and their next holiday.	
5	José Luis receives a message on his phone confirming his wife is safe.	

CANCIÓN 11/50

Disturbed — "The Sound Of Silence" (2015)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Disturbed - The sound of silence (2015) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Every evening, the black cat _____ out of the old house to look at the moon. [come]	
2	My grandfather always _____ to his old friends about his youth in Almería. [talk]	
3	The young boy _____ a bad nightmare while he was sleeping in his bed. [have]	
4	The soft winter snow still _____ on the top of the high mountains today. [remain]	
5	Last night, I _____ alone down the narrow streets of the small village. [walk]	
6	The driver _____ his car to the left side of the road five minutes ago. [turn]	
7	We _____ a beautiful painting of the old town in the museum yesterday. [see]	
8	The professional singer _____ a new pop song for his next album last week. [write]	
9	The kind professor always _____ his adult students with great patience. [teach]	
10	The water drops _____ softly from the green leaves during the rain. [fall]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: news, health, post, censorship, freedom

Teacher Julio sits at his computer and opens his favorite social network, Facebook. He wants to share some important global news about healthy eating, nutrition, and corporate vaccines. He carefully writes a long, text-based post to help his followers improve their physical health. In his message, Julio mentions the strange events of the 2020 pandemic and the new medical treatments. Suddenly, a red warning message appears on his computer screen. Facebook instantly blocks his text because of its modern safety algorithms. Julio feels very sad and disappointed with this strict digital censorship. He explains to his wife that true freedom of speech does not exist on modern social media platforms today. He closes the website and decides to read a real book in absolute silence.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio is sharing some interesting news on his Facebook page.	
2	Julio writes a long post about sports car racing and football games.	
3	Facebook blocks his comment because he mentions the 2020 pandemic.	
4	Julio feels very happy about the digital rules of the internet network.	
5	The teacher thinks there is no real freedom of speech on social media.	

CANCIÓN 12/50

Don McLean — "And I Love You So" (1970)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Don McLean - And I Love You So (1970) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My grandparents _____ each other very much since they were teenagers. [love]	
2	The polite tourists _____ the local tour guide for some directions. [ask]	
3	We _____ in a beautiful apartment in the center of Almería last year. [live]	
4	I always _____ the truth to my friends because honesty is important. [tell]	
5	My father gently _____ my hand when we walked through the crowded market. [take]	
6	I _____ that the English test is going to be very easy for everyone. [know]	
7	The black shadows _____ the tall man down the dark, narrow street. [follow]	
8	The kind police officer _____ the trapped bird free from the cage. [set]	
9	Right now, the happy students _____ very busy with their school project. [be]	
10	I _____ an interesting comic book in the library yesterday afternoon. [read]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: folds, note, married, blushes, kiss

Francisco sits at his desk inside the bright English classroom at the adult school Alkayasí. Today is a very special day because the school is celebrating Valentine's Day. Francisco looks at his sweet wife, Rosario, who is sitting next to him learning new vocabulary. He decides to write a romantic love note in English to surprise her. Francisco writes about their long life together and how they are married for fifty wonderful years. He smiles because he is still completely in love with her, just like their very first day. He folds the small paper and gently gives it to Rosario. She reads his beautiful words, blushes, and gives him a sweet kiss. They both feel incredibly happy under the warm light of the classroom.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Francisco and Rosario are celebrating Valentine's Day at a restaurant.	
2	Francisco decides to write a romantic love note in English for his wife.	
3	The couple has been married for fifty wonderful years.	
4	Rosario feels very angry when she reads the note from her husband.	
5	Rosario gives Francisco a sweet kiss after reading his beautiful words.	

CANCIÓN 13/50

Elvis Presley — "You Don't Have To Say You Love Me" (1966)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Elvis Presley - You Dont Have To Say You Love (1966) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My best friend always _____ a nice cup of tea when she feels cold. [need]	
2	They _____ at a beautiful hotel near the beach last summer holiday. [stay]	
3	The clever chameleon _____ its bright skin color from green to brown. [change]	
4	The fast train _____ away from the station five minutes ago. [go]	
5	I _____ my white dog around the public park every morning. [follow]	
6	The hungry cat _____ for food near the kitchen door right now. [beg]	
7	We always _____ the rules of the classroom to learn correctly. [understand]	
8	Please, _____ my honest words because I never tell any lies. [believe]	
9	It always _____ to rain when we forget our black umbrellas. [seem]	
10	I _____ a beautiful song on my guitar at this very moment. [play]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: carefully, classmate, exam, shy, secret

Esteban sits quietly inside the large classroom at the Escuela Oficial de Idiomas de Almería. Today is a very important day because teacher Julio's adult students have a difficult terminal exam. Everyone is silent and reading their English notes carefully. Esteban looks at the wooden desk next to him, where a beautiful classmate is sitting. He feels quite nervous, but not because of the difficult test papers. Esteban is starting to fall in love with her sweet smile and her dark eyes. It is a big secret because he is too shy to say anything to her today. Suddenly, teacher Julio starts giving out the exam papers. Esteban breathes deeply, looks away from his lovely classmate, and begins to write his answers with a hopeful heart.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Esteban is taking a difficult English exam at the language school.	
2	Teacher Julio is the person who is giving out the test papers today.	
3	Esteban feels very nervous because he does not study his vocabulary.	
4	The young man is secretly falling in love with a beautiful classmate.	
5	Esteban tells his classmate all his romantic feelings before the test.	

CANCIÓN 14/50

Engelbert Humperdinck — "How I Love You" (1993)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Engelbert Humperdinck - How I Love You (1993) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Right now, the loving mother _____ her small baby tightly in her arms. [hold]	
2	I always _____ where the migrating birds fly during the cold winter. [wonder]	
3	The clever students _____ the answers to the questions very well today. [know]	
4	My brother _____ his car to the left side of the street five minutes ago. [turn]	
5	We _____ our new English lessons at nine o'clock every morning. [begin]	
6	The old dog always _____ near the warm fireplace on a rainy day. [lay]	
7	The soft summer rain still _____ on the green leaves of the trees. [remain]	
8	Right now, I _____ to the top shelf to get the big dictionary. [reach]	
9	My grandfather _____ an interesting book about history last night. [read]	
10	She _____ a beautiful picture of the ancient castle yesterday afternoon. [draw]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: building, bench, feelings, politely, brave

The difficult English exam is finally over, and the adult students walk out of the school building. Esteban and his beautiful classmate walk together into the quiet exterior gardens of the EOI de Almería. The sun is warm, and they sit on a comfortable green bench near some colorful roses. Esteban breathes deeply and decides to be very brave today. He turns to her and explains his romantic feelings and his growing interest in her sweet personality. He looks into her eyes and politely asks her to have dinner together at a traditional restaurant next Friday night. His classmate blushes, smiles brightly, and says yes to his romantic invitation. Esteban feels incredibly happy because his secret dream is coming true under the beautiful Spanish sky.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Esteban talks to his classmate inside the crowded school library.	
2	The two students sit together on a green bench in the gardens.	
3	Esteban hides his true feelings and only talks about the exam.	
4	He invites his beautiful classmate to have dinner next Friday night.	
5	The classmate feels very angry and says no to his special invitation.	

CANCIÓN 15/50

Eric Clapton — "River Of Tears" (1998)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Eric Clapton - River Of Tears (1998) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The strong river _____ the small wooden boat away yesterday afternoon. [carry]	
2	I _____ a beautiful red car on the dusty street this morning. [see]	
3	The shy children always _____ behind the big sofa during the game. [hide]	
4	The fast athlete _____ in the stadium at this very moment. [run]	
5	My sister _____ the answer to the difficult question right now. [know]	
6	I _____ very happy when I spend quality time with my family. [feel]	
7	The busy train _____ the local station exactly ten minutes ago. [leave]	
8	The lucky boy _____ a shiny gold coin on the ground yesterday. [find]	
9	We always _____ for a peaceful world with no more bad problems. [wish]	
10	The kind mother _____ her small baby tightly in her arms right now. [hold]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: whiteboard, condolences, news, grandmother, law, support

Teacher Julio is inside his English classroom at the adult school Alkayasí. He is very busy working on the modern digital whiteboard to prepare tomorrow's lesson materials. Suddenly, his colleague teacher David enters the room. David looks incredibly sad and has tears in his eyes. He gives Julio some bad news and explains that his beloved grandmother passed away this morning, so he must leave the school immediately. Julio stops working, walks over to David, and offers his deep condolences. Julio gently reminds him that it is the natural law of life for elderly people to leave us when their time comes. David listens carefully and feels better because of this kind emotional support. He thanks Julio with a soft voice and walks away quietly to be with his family.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio is preparing English materials on a digital blackboard.	
2	Teacher David enters the classroom feeling very happy and excited.	
3	David needs to leave the school because his grandmother passed away.	
4	Julio tells David that it is the natural law of life to live forever.	
5	David thanks Julio for his kind emotional support before leaving.	

CANCIÓN 16/50

J. J. Cale — "Money Talks" (2001)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/J. J. Cale - Money Talks (2001) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My grandfather always _____ an interesting story about his youth. [tell]	
2	The polite students _____ very quietly when the lesson begins. [talk]	
3	The smart teacher _____ that English is important for our future. [say]	
4	Please, _____ my honest words because I never tell any lies. [believe]	
5	I can _____ a new blue pen inside my school backpack now. [buy]	
6	We _____ a loud noise in the quiet street late last night. [hear]	
7	The poor baby _____ because he wants his warm bottle of milk. [cry]	
8	The little cat _____ softly behind the big sofa to catch a mouse. [steal]	
9	They _____ to buy a beautiful new car for the family yesterday. [decide]	
10	My sister _____ into the kitchen to surprise her mother right now. [come]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: garage, worried, money, budget, agrees

Teacher Julio and his wife Itto are standing inside their dark garage looking at their old vehicle. Julio wants to change it and buy a modern Nissan Qashqai. Itto looks worried and explains that they have many monthly bills, so money is short right now. She thinks a new car is too expensive for their budget. However, Julio smiles and tells her that life is short and we need to live with enthusiasm. He says that money comes and goes, but beautiful moments stay forever. Itto listens carefully to his words and sees the great illusion in his eyes. Finally, she agrees with her husband. They decide to go to the shop and buy the beautiful car. Julio feels incredibly happy and hugs his wife tightly under the garage light.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Julio and Itto are discussing a new vehicle inside their garage.	
2	Itto thinks they have plenty of money to spend this month.	
3	Julio believes that life is short and we must live with enthusiasm.	
4	The couple decides to buy a modern Nissan Qashqai car together.	
5	Itto gets very angry at the end and leaves the house alone.	

CANCIÓN 17/50

Janis Joplin — "Little Girl Blue" (1969)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Janis Joplin - Little Girl Blue (1969) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Every evening, the quiet children _____ the stars from their bedroom window. [count]	
2	I always _____ where the migrating birds fly during the cold winter season. [wonder]	
3	The old man _____ on his favorite chair near the door this morning. [sit]	
4	My grandparents _____ exactly how I feel when I have a bad day. [know]	
5	The warm summer raindrops _____ softly on the green grass right now. [fall]	
6	I _____ very happy when I spend quality time with my lovely family. [feel]	
7	The polite girl _____ to the kitchen to help her mother with dinner. [go]	
8	The tired hikers _____ against a big pine tree to rest their legs. [lean]	
9	My brother _____ a long letter to his best friend two days ago. [write]	
10	She _____ to live in a beautiful new city early next year. [want]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: depressed, divorce, currently, cozy, heal

Majda is the young niece of Itto, and she is currently facing a very difficult time. She is terribly depressed after her recent divorce, and she feels completely alone. Because of this sad situation, her kind aunt Itto invites her to stay at teacher Julio's comfortable house in Almería. Itto prepares a bright, cozy room for her and makes delicious meals every day to help her feel better. Majda accepts the generous invitation and decides to stay with them for a few months. She wants to rest, heal her broken heart, and find her inner strength again. She plans to live in this peaceful home until she can return to Paris and fully rebuild her beautiful life with a happy smile.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Majda is very depressed because she has a difficult English exam today.	
2	Itto is Majda's kind aunt who invites her to stay at her home.	
3	Majda stays in a dark, cold garage during her visit to Almería.	
4	The young niece plans to stay with Julio and Itto for a short season.	
5	Majda wants to rebuild her personal life in Paris in the future.	

CANCIÓN 18/50

Joan Baez — "The Partisan"

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Joan Baez - The Partisan - exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The strong soldiers _____ across the international borders during the conflict. [pour]	
2	My grandfather decided to _____ into the high mountains to stay safe. [vanish]	
3	The polite tourists never _____ the local guide about his personal life. [ask]	
4	The young children always _____ their muddy footprints on the kitchen floor. [cover]	
5	The famous actor _____ his name because he wanted a quiet, simple life. [change]	
6	Sadly, the poor man _____ his old gold watch in the crowded market yesterday. [lose]	
7	The kind woman _____ food and warm blankets to the cold travelers. [give]	
8	The old person _____ peacefully in her comfortable bed last winter night. [die]	
9	We _____ down the narrow road because we must catch the morning train. [go]	
10	The fresh night winds _____ strongly through the tall trees right now. [blow]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: grilled, barbecue, history, freedom, proud

Ali Boukrim, Itto's sweet father, arrives from Morocco to live forever at teacher Julio's house. Tonight, during the holy month of Ramadan, the happy family enjoys a delicious midnight barbecue together. After eating the grilled meat, they sit on comfortable chairs in the dark, quiet garden. Under the bright stars, Ali tells an amazing secret story about his youth. Many years ago, he was a brave partisan fighter during the French protectorate. He hid in the high rocky hills and fought hard for the complete independence of his country. He speaks about the dangers, the old friends, and the ultimate victory. Julio and Itto listen in absolute silence, learning about this incredible piece of family history. Ali explains that freedom is a beautiful gift. Itto looks at her old father and feels incredibly proud of his incredible life and courage.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Ali Boukrim comes from Morocco to visit his family for just one weekend.	
2	The family enjoys a delicious barbecue in the garden during Ramadan.	
3	Ali was a brave partisan who fought against the Spanish army in the past.	
4	The family listens to Ali's historical story in absolute silence tonight.	
5	Itto feels very proud of her father's great bravery and courage.	

CANCIÓN 19/50

Josh Groban — "You Raise Me Up" (2003)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Josh Groban - You Raise Me Up (2003) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The patient people always _____ quietly in the clinic room for the doctor. [wait]	
2	My grandfather _____ to our cozy house to visit the family last Sunday. [come]	
3	The peaceful grandparents _____ on the comfortable green sofa every afternoon. [sit]	
4	The strong soldiers _____ the heavy flag up so everyone can see it. [raise]	
5	The tall security guard _____ near the front entrance door right now. [stand]	
6	We _____ down the narrow road to catch the early morning train. [walk]	
7	I _____ a very heavy box of old books up the stairs yesterday. [carry]	
8	My sister _____ that English vocabulary is important for her new job. [know]	
9	The little children _____ beautiful wooden toys in the school playground. [make]	
10	I _____ very happy when I spend quality time with my lovely family. [feel]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: gather, prayer, faith, values, connection

After Ali finishes his emotional partisan story in the garden, the family walks into the quiet living room. Itto, her brave father Ali, and her sweet mother Fatima gather together for the final prayer of the day before going to sleep. They hold a powerful faith that guides their lives without any extreme ideas. This spiritual connection supports their traditional values and makes them incredibly kind, just, and simple people. Teacher Julio sits nearby and watches them with a respectful smile. Although he does not have any religious beliefs himself, he feels genuine joy for them. He understands that their beautiful traditions bring them great inner peace and emotional comfort after a long day under the warm Almería sun.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Itto, Ali, and Fatima enter the living room to have a big dinner.	
2	The family performs the final prayer of the day before bedtime.	
3	Their powerful faith makes them unfair and very complicated people.	
4	Teacher Julio participates in the prayer because he has a strong faith.	
5	Julio feels happy that his family finds comfort in their traditions.	

CANCIÓN 20/50

Judy Garland — "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" (1939)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Judy Garland - Somewhere Over the Rainbow (1939) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The clear water always _____ from the high mountain to the valley. [come]	
2	My grandparents _____ an interesting story about their youth last night. [hear]	
3	The bright bluebirds _____ happily across the sunny garden today. [fly]	
4	I always _____ for a peaceful world with no more bad problems. [wish]	
5	The young children _____ up very early on Christmas morning. [wake]	
6	The sweet ice cream _____ quickly under the hot summer sun. [melt]	
7	You can _____ your lost English book inside the school library now. [find]	
8	My brother _____ a classic black and white film two hours ago. [watch]	
9	They _____ down the narrow road to catch the early bus yesterday. [go]	
10	The wise old man _____ to his family about his past life in Morocco. [talk]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: movie, village, cinema, memories, laughs

After the final prayer of the day finishes, teacher Julio relaxes and plays a beautiful classic song in his quiet living room. His father-in-law, Ali, listens carefully to the sweet melody of Judy Garland. Suddenly, a big smile appears on his face because the music brings back wonderful memories from fifty years ago. He turns to his daughter Zahra and reminds her of their native village, Ouaoumana. He tells the family about a special summer night when they watched the famous movie "The Wizard of Oz" together. It was a beautiful outdoor summer cinema under a sky full of bright stars. Zahra laughs and remembers how she loved the magical story of the rainbow. Everyone feels incredibly happy sharing these sweet stories from the past in their cozy Almería home.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Ali remembers watching a famous movie fifty years ago in his native village.	
2	The music that teacher Julio plays makes Ali feel very angry and sad.	
3	Zahra watched "The Wizard of Oz" with her father during an outdoor summer cinema.	
4	Ouaoumana is the name of the town where Julio was born in Spain.	
5	The family enjoys sharing beautiful stories and memories in the living room.	

CANCIÓN 21/50

Kansas — "Dust in the Wind" (1977)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Kansas - Dust in the Wind (1977) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I slowly _____ my tired eyes when I go to bed at night. [close]	
2	The fast train leaves the station and suddenly it is _____. [go]	
3	The white fluffy clouds _____ softly across the bright blue sky today. [pass]	
4	The soft brown cookies _____ easily when the small baby touches them. [crumble]	
5	My grandparents always _____ to watch sad films on television. [refuse]	
6	We can _____ a beautiful white bird flying high above the green trees now. [see]	
7	Time _____ away quickly when you are spending a fun day with friends. [slip]	
8	The wealthy man cannot _____ more time even with all his gold. [buy]	
9	Teacher Julio still _____ in the quiet living room after midnight. [remain]	
10	I _____ that learning English is a fantastic experience for my future. [know]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: song, healthy, wish, beloved, peaceful

The house is completely silent because everyone is finally sleeping. Teacher Julio sits alone in his dark living room, listening to a beautiful classic song by Kansas. The deep music makes him think about his beloved father-in-law, Ali, who is ninety-two years old now. Ali is quite healthy for his advanced age, but Julio knows that life is short and temporary. He feels a little emotional thinking about the big empty space Ali will leave in the family one day. Julio makes a sincere wish for the future. He hopes to share many more happy and peaceful years with Ali, now that they are all living together under the warm sun of Spain.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio is listening to music with his friends in a noisy bar.	
2	Ali is ninety-two years old and is currently in good health for his age.	
3	Julio thinks about how short life is while listening to a classic song.	
4	The teacher wants his father-in-law to return to Morocco immediately.	
5	Julio hopes to enjoy more quiet and happy years with his family in Spain.	

CANCIÓN 22/50

Katie Melua — "If You Were A Sailboat" (2007)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Katie Melua - If You Were A Sailboat (2007) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The police officer decides to _____ the suspicious man through the dark park. [trail]	
2	We _____ our small white boat on the blue ocean every summer morning. [sail]	
3	My active brother _____ in the cold sea at the beach right now. [swim]	
4	They _____ in a big, modern house in the center of Almería today. [live]	
5	The kind teacher _____ his bad habits because he wanted to be better. [change]	
6	I _____ that English is a very important language for my future. [know]	
7	My mobile phone _____ loudly when my best friend called me yesterday. [ring]	
8	The professional singer _____ a beautiful song at the concert last night. [sing]	
9	My mother always _____ the hungry birds in the garden every morning. [feed]	
10	I _____ a very interesting book about history at home yesterday. [read]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: beach, sailboat, shore, steer, sailor

Tarik, his wife Sana, and their little son Mohamed spend a wonderful day at the Costacabana beach. The afternoon is warm and sunny. Small Mohamed sits on the wet sand and plays with a colorful plastic sailboat right on the edge of the water. His mother, Sana, watches him very carefully with a sweet smile. Meanwhile, his father, Tarik, is a good swimmer and swims for a while in the refreshing sea close to them. Sana walks over to her son, sits down on the sand to play with him, and asks: "Mohamed, what would you do if you were a brave sailor?" The boy laughs and says he would steer his ship to a safe shore. They feel incredibly happy together.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Tarik, Sana, and Mohamed are spending a sunny day at Costacabana beach.	
2	Mohamed is playing with a real electronic drone on the sand.	
3	Tarik is swimming in the sea while his wife watches their son.	
4	Sana asks her son what he would do if he were a cowboy.	
5	The family feels very happy playing together near the water.	

CANCIÓN 23/50

Kenny Rogers — "Lady" (1980)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Kenny Rogers - Lady (1980) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My grandparents _____ each other very much since they were young teenagers. [love]	
2	The kind mother always _____ her little baby tightly in her arms. [hold]	
3	Please, _____ my honest words because I am telling you the truth. [believe]	
4	The young boy _____ a beautiful new star in the night sky. [find]	
5	The morning sun enters the window and we _____ up with a smile. [wake]	
6	I can _____ a loud bird singing outside my bedroom window right now. [hear]	
7	I _____ a beautiful red car on the street yesterday morning. [see]	
8	The patient people _____ for the local bus for thirty minutes yesterday. [wait]	
9	We _____ a nice smartphone because we want to call our friends. [need]	
10	I _____ that learning English vocabulary is fantastic for my future. [know]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: classroom, song, wife, married, chorus

The English lesson is over, and teacher Julio plays a classic romantic track for his adult students at Alkayasí. He loves using a nice song to improve their pronunciation and listening skills. Today, the music makes him think about Francisco, his oldest student, who is seventy-six years old. Francisco has a beautiful love story with his sweet wife, Rosario. They are happily married for more than fifty wonderful years. Francisco sits at his desk and listens to the lyrics with a gentle smile. He wishes Rosario could come to the bright classroom to study English with him, but she is too shy to attend. Everyone feels incredibly happy singing the chorus together before going home.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio plays a song at the end of the lesson to practice pronunciation.	
2	Francisco is the youngest student inside the English class at Alkayasí.	
3	Francisco and his wife Rosario have been married for over fifty years.	
4	Rosario attends the English lessons every day and sits next to her husband.	
5	The students feel very happy singing the classic love song in the classroom.	

CANCIÓN 24/50

Led Zeppelin — "Stairway To Heaven" (1975)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Led Zeppelin - Stairway To Heaven (1975) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My rich aunt is sure that everything in the jewelry store _____ to gold. [turn]	
2	The wealthy woman always _____ expensive gifts when she goes shopping. [buy]	
3	When the teacher _____ to the school, the English lesson can start. [get]	
4	The little girl _____ that the library is open on Saturday morning. [know]	
5	A beautiful small bluebird _____ happily in the old tree every morning. [sing]	
6	I always _____ where the wild birds go during the cold winter. [wonder]	
7	I slowly _____ out of the window to see the beautiful sunrise today. [look]	
8	The wise old man always _____ the young children to the safe path. [lead]	
9	The cool night winds _____ strongly through the tall green trees right now. [blow]	
10	We can _____ the long song clearly if we listen very carefully. [hear]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: rock, masterpiece, song, track, fills

The English lesson is finishing, and teacher Julio selects a special track for his adult students at Alkayasí. He chooses "Stairway to Heaven," an amazing masterpiece of British rock music. This classic track is one of Julio's favorite melodies, and he knows that Juan José will love it. Juan José is a true, traditional rocker who always enjoys listening to powerful guitar solos. He sits at his wooden desk and listens to the epic song with total concentration. Juan José wishes his sweet wife could join him in this bright classroom to learn vocabulary together, but she stays at home. Still, the fantastic music fills the room, and all the students feel incredibly happy before the class ends.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio plays a famous British pop song from the year 2020.	
2	Juan José is a dedicated rock music fan who loves classic tracks.	
3	The English lesson takes place at the adult education center Alkayasí.	
4	Juan José's wife attends the English class with him every day.	
5	The students feel very happy listening to the music at the end of class.	

CANCIÓN 25/50

Madonna — "Don't Cry For Me Argentina" (1996)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Madonna - Dont Cry For Me Argentina (1996) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The young student always tries to _____ her complex feelings to her teacher. [explain]	
2	We _____ a good dictionary because the English vocabulary is difficult today. [need]	
3	Please, _____ my honest words because I always tell the truth to my family. [believe]	
4	The chameleon can _____ its bright skin color from green to brown very fast. [change]	
5	My grandparents decided to _____ in a quiet, beautiful village near the beach. [stay]	
6	The active children _____ down the street to catch the school bus this morning. [run]	
7	I _____ the important promise that I made to my mother last summer. [keep]	
8	It _____ to the young world that the digital revolution was a fantastic solution. [seem]	
9	I can _____ of a very good answer for the final question on the test now. [think]	
10	The teacher tells us to _____ at the digital blackboard to see the correct word. [look]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: square, computer, papers, encouragement, support

In the morning, teacher Julio leaves his adult education center and walks through the sunny square of La Cañada. Suddenly, he sees his student Gissanel Ruth and stops to chat with her for a moment. Gissanel did not attend the morning computer class today, so Julio politely asks her if she plans to come to the English lesson later in the afternoon. Gissanel smiles and explains that she is very busy organizing important legal papers this week. She needs to complete these documents to bring her beloved mother to Spain from her native city in Peru. Julio gives her words of encouragement and tells her that he hopes to see them both very soon. Gissanel feels very happy for his kind support.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio meets Gissanel Ruth in the square of La Cañada in the morning.	
2	Gissanel attended her morning computer class before meeting the teacher.	
3	Julio asks Gissanel if she will come to the English class in the afternoon.	
4	Gissanel is preparing official papers to travel to Peru for a long holiday.	
5	The student wants to bring her mother to Spain to live together.	

CANCIÓN 26/50

Meat Loaf — "Two Out Of Three Ain't Bad" (1977)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Meat Loaf - Two out of three aint bad (1977) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	We can _____ softly about our school project after the film finishes. [talk]	
2	The weather is very cold and the white snow _____ up on the high mountains. [pile]	
3	I always _____ for a happy world with no more sad problems. [wish]	
4	The busy waiters _____ the hot coffee into the white cups right now. [pour]	
5	My younger sister always _____ hard to pass her difficult English exams. [try]	
6	We can _____ beautiful gold coins inside the old museum today. [find]	
7	I cannot _____ to you because telling the truth is very important. [lie]	
8	My grandfather always _____ his childhood stories with a sweet smile. [remember]	
9	The kind mother _____ her small baby before he goes to sleep. [kiss]	
10	The sad actors _____ their big bags and leave the theatre quietly. [pack]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: square, crowded, tribute, cousin, enjoy

Teacher Julio and his wife travel to the beautiful town of Serón on the eighth of March. The local town hall organizes a special event for International Women's Day. They walk into the crowded town square to watch a wonderful tribute to Julio's sweet cousin, Mariquita. Julio is incredibly happy because he meets his adult children, Marina and David, at the celebration. They do not see each other very often, so they enjoy spending quality time together, talking and laughing during the beautiful ceremony. When the event finishes, it is time to return home. They say goodbye to each other with a warm hug, feeling a little sad because the family reunion is ending under the afternoon sun.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Julio and his wife travel to Serón to celebrate a special birthday party.	
2	The town hall organizes a beautiful tribute to Julio's cousin, Mariquita.	
3	Marina and David are Julio's children who live in the same house with him.	
4	The family event takes place on the eighth of March for Women's Day.	
5	The family members feel very happy and celebrate all night at a noisy bar.	

CANCIÓN 27/50

Michael Bolton — "A Love So Beautiful" (1995)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Michael Bolton - A love so beautiful (1995) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The golden summer sun slowly _____ behind the high mountains last night. [go]	
2	I always _____ very happy when I spend quality time with my family. [feel]	
3	Time is short, and we cannot let these precious moments _____ away. [slip]	
4	The young students are too small to _____ this difficult grammar rule. [understand]	
5	My grandparents _____ exactly what to do when a big problem happens. [know]	
6	Two old friends sometimes _____ apart when they live in different cities. [drift]	
7	When I _____ about my happy childhood, a big smile appears on my face. [think]	
8	The tired leaves _____ from the tall trees during the windy autumn days. [fall]	
9	A beautiful white bird _____ high up in the blue sky this morning. [fly]	
10	The teacher always _____ his new lesson materials on the digital board. [prepare]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: misses, mountain, ballad, memories, misunderstandings

Teacher Julio is driving back home from the special tribute in Serón. He is inside his modern new car, traveling along the quiet mountain road of Sierra de los Filabres. Julio feels a little sad because he misses his adult children a lot. A sweet romantic ballad plays softly on the vehicle's sound system. Suddenly, many beautiful childhood memories of his daughter Marina return to his mind. He looks at the road and reflects on life. He thinks that a father's love for his children is the most sincere and unconditional feeling in the world, even when small misunderstandings happen. This deep thought fills his heart with great warmth and peace under the evening sky.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio is traveling to a noisy rock concert in a distant city.	
2	Julio drives his new car along the Sierra de los Filabres mountain road.	
3	The teacher feels a bit sad because the family reunion is over.	
4	A fast techno song plays loudly on the car's radio during the trip.	
5	The music makes Julio remember sweet childhood moments of his daughter Marina.	

CANCIÓN 28/50

Neil Diamond — "The Story Of My Life" (1986)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Neil Diamond - The Story Of My Life (1986) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The students always _____ an interesting book during the English lesson. [read]	
2	The morning lesson _____ at nine o'clock every single day. [start]	
3	The busy train _____ the local station exactly ten minutes ago. [leave]	
4	A new school term _____ early in the month of September. [begin]	
5	The lucky boy _____ a shiny gold coin on the ground yesterday. [find]	
6	I _____ for the morning bus for twenty minutes yesterday. [wait]	
7	My younger brother was very _____ of the big barking dog. [afraid]	
8	The little girl happily _____ a sweet song in the school choir. [sing]	
9	The old leaves fall from the trees and _____ during the cold winter. [die]	
10	When I listen to Neil Diamond, I _____ about my personal life. [think]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: lyrics, romances, current, fortunate, true

Teacher Julio continues driving his new car down the quiet mountain road, returning home. The next track that plays on the stereo is a beautiful, deep romantic song by Neil Diamond. The profound lyrics make Julio reflect on his long and intense life. He thinks about his past romances, but his mind quickly focus on the present. He smiles because he knows that his current love for his third wife, Itto, is the most important one. Instead of looking at old memories, Julio prefers to dream about their bright future together. He feels incredibly fortunate and happy because the present love is always the only true love in a person's heart.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio is driving his car down a quiet mountain road.	
2	The song playing on the car radio is a fast, energetic heavy metal track.	
3	Julio spends the entire trip feeling sad and thinking only about his past.	
4	Itto is Julio's third wife and the true love of his present life.	
5	The music makes Julio feel happy and look forward to the future.	

CANCIÓN 29/50

Nina Simone — "Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood" (1964)



Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Nina Simone - Dont Let Me Be Misunderstood (1964) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	My clever friends completely _____ this difficult English grammar rule now. [understand]	
2	We can _____ a beautiful black bird flying high in the blue sky today. [see]	
3	When everything _____ wrong in the kitchen, my mother remains very calm. [go]	
4	The happy little children always _____ their sweet smiles behind the door. [hide]	
5	Life _____ its complex problems, but we must face them with enthusiasm. [have]	
6	I _____ my lost keys inside my school backpack yesterday afternoon. [find]	
7	The busy young girl _____ herself alone in the big library last night. [find]	
8	My sister always _____ hard to pass her monthly computer exams. [try]	
9	Teacher Julio _____ a wonderful old student at the shopping mall yesterday. [meet]	
10	She _____ to return to her English lessons early next winter. [hope]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: mall, store, unexpectedly, job, restorer

Teacher Julio goes shopping at the busy Torrecárdenas commercial mall in Almería. Inside a famous clothing store, he unexpectedly meets Ángeles, a fantastic old student whom he has not seen for a long time. They stop to chat politely for a few minutes. Ángeles explains that she is currently working very hard and doing excellent in her professional job as an art restorer. Because of her busy schedule, she cannot attend the adult center classes right now. However, she tells Julio that she plans to return to his lessons in the future. Julio feels incredibly proud and happy to hear this news because Ángeles is one of his dearest and most beloved students.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio meets his old student Ángeles at a restaurant in Serón.	
2	Ángeles is currently working as a professional art restorer.	
3	The old student has plenty of free time to attend morning classes now.	
4	Ángeles hopes to return to Julio's English lessons in the future.	
5	Julio feels very happy because Ángeles is a very dear student to him.	

CANCIÓN 30/50

Oscar Benton — "Bensonhurst Blues" (1973)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Oscar Benton - Bensonhurst Blues (1973) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Our pretty secretary always _____ that you are the best boss in the company. [say]	
2	The wealthy man pretends to _____ about my family when we talk. [care]	
3	The famous actors _____ the rules and use their power in a bad way. [abuse]	
4	The young girl can _____ that you suffer from your sad thoughts. [know]	
5	My grandparents always _____ their childhood stories with a beautiful smile. [remember]	
6	The busy teacher decides to _____ his old student at his house today. [visit]	
7	I _____ a wonderful old friend on the street yesterday morning. [find]	
8	The students _____ a very intensive computer course a few months ago. [do]	
9	Julio politely _____ his student to collect his official certificate. [ask]	
10	We _____ to meet our best friends for a delicious lunch this weekend. [plan]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: street, neighbor, course, available, upcoming

Teacher Julio walks down the quiet Cruz de Martos street to visit his sister-in-law, Zahra. Right outside her front door, he unexpectedly meets Pepe Salinas, who is Zahra's neighbor and an old student of his. Julio has a very special affection for Pepe, who is seventy-six years old now. Julio smiles and reminds him that his official certificate for the intensive digital course they completed together is finally available at Alkayasí. He asks Pepe to drop by the education center to collect it whenever he can. Before saying goodbye, they make an exciting plan to have lunch together during the upcoming weekend at Julio's home. Pepe has no plans for Christmas, as usual, and he agrees to meet on Sunday. He absolutely loves the delicious Moroccan couscous that Itto prepares like nobody else.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio meets his old student Pepe Salinas outside Zahra's house.	
2	Pepe Salinas is a very young boy who is currently studying in primary school.	
3	Pepe's intensive computer course certificate is ready for collection at Alkayasí.	
4	The two friends decide to travel to Paris together this weekend.	
5	Pepe is excited about the weekend lunch because he loves Itto's Moroccan couscous.	

CANCIÓN 31/50

Otis Redding — "Sitting On The Dock Of The Bay" (1968)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Otis Redding - Sitting On The Dock Of The Bay (1968) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The happy grandparents always _____ on the comfortable green bench outside. [sit]	
2	The morning sun rises early and the warm evening _____ quickly in summer. [come]	
3	The excited children love to _____ the large ships on the blue ocean. [watch]	
4	The heavy soccer balls slowly _____ across the wet grass field. [roll]	
5	My older brother _____ his dynamic home city to find a new job. [leave]	
6	The fast train _____ directly toward the capital city two hours ago. [head]	
7	I _____ that a good friendship always stays strong through the years. [guess]	
8	The tired runners decided to _____ under the tall trees after the race. [rest]	
9	The adventurous tourists _____ across many distant countries every year. [roam]	
10	The diligent students _____ their new vocabulary lessons every single day. [check]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: workshop, retired, shadow, illness, labor

Teacher Julio walks to his sister-in-law Zahra's apartment, but she is not there. On his way back home, he stops at Sebastián's old mechanics workshop to check if they are inside. Luckily, he finds Zahra and her husband Sebastián sitting together comfortably in the cool shadow. They are eating sunflower seeds, relaxing, and just watching time pass by. Since Sebastián recently retired due to a medical illness, he has a lot of free hours. He truly loves spending his days in his traditional workspace, even though he does not do hard physical labor anymore. Seeing his family so peaceful and happy brings a warm smile to Julio's face.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio finds Zahra inside her own apartment on the top floor.	
2	Sebastián and Zahra are sitting in the shadow eating sunflower seeds.	
3	Sebastián retired from his job because he won a big financial lottery.	
4	The retired husband loves spending his free time at his old workshop.	
5	Julio feels glad to see his relatives resting and enjoying their time together.	

CANCIÓN 32/50

Percy Sledge — "When A Man Loves A Woman" (1991)



Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Percy Sledge - When a Man Loves a Woman (1991) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	When an active person _____ a hobby, they practice it every single day. [love]	
2	The busy student cannot _____ his mind on his difficult English homework. [keep]	
3	The clever merchants _____ their old products for new items every season. [trade]	
4	I always _____ a beautiful white shell when I walk along the sunny beach. [find]	
5	We can _____ a massive black ship moving across the blue ocean today. [see]	
6	The driver decides to _____ his big car around because the street is closed. [turn]	
7	My generous grandparents _____ all their money to help local charities. [spend]	
8	The tired travelers _____ deeply in their comfortable beds after the long trip. [sleep]	
9	The famous radio station _____ beautiful classic melodies every single evening. [play]	
10	The happy dancers _____ slowly together on the wooden floor last night. [dance]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: chilled, beer, youth, girlfriend, couples

Inside the quiet mechanics workshop, Sebastián offers teacher Julio a chilled non-alcoholic beer. They sit comfortably in the cool shadow while an old radio plays a romantic classic track by Percy Sledge. The sweet melody makes Julio travel back in time to his young days. The romantic song reminds him of his youth, when he danced slowly with Nieves, his very first girlfriend, at the local village disco. He remembers how the clubs always played slow, beautiful love music at the end of the night so young couples could hold each other close. Remembering those simple and innocent times makes Julio feel incredibly happy as he enjoys his drink under the warm afternoon sun.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Sebastián invites teacher Julio to have a hot cup of coffee inside the house.	
2	The old radio plays a famous rock song by a modern electronic band.	
3	The music makes teacher Julio remember his first girlfriend, Nieves.	
4	In the past, the village disco played fast music at the very end of the night.	
5	Julio feels happy remembering his youth while relaxing in the workshop shadow.	

CANCIÓN 33/50

Perry Como — "Feelings" (1978)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Perry Como - Feelings (1978) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Happy children always _____ great joy when they play at the sunny park. [feel]	
2	My younger sister always _____ hard to learn complex English verbs. [try]	
3	I want to _____ all my bad days and focus on the beautiful present. [forget]	
4	Heavy raindrops slowly _____ down the clean glass window this afternoon. [roll]	
5	I always _____ for a peaceful life full of health and tranquil moments. [wish]	
6	The busy trains _____ to the local station at five o'clock every day. [come]	
7	The kind mother decided to _____ her small baby tightly in her warm arms. [hold]	
8	My active brother _____ a famous football player on the street last year. [meet]	
9	The generous man _____ to give a cold drink to his guest a moment ago. [offer]	
10	The clever students always _____ their teacher's difficult questions correctly. [answer]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: connection, hurry, softly, sharp, funny

Sebastián offers teacher Julio a second non-alcoholic beer inside the traditional mechanics workshop. Julio is in a little bit of a hurry, but he decides to stay and accepts the drink. On Nostalgia radio, another slow classic song by Perry Como plays softly. The beautiful music makes Julio think about his youth again. He remembers his first girlfriend, Nieves, but he especially thinks about her sister, Piedad. Julio always felt a very strong connection with Piedad because she was incredibly intelligent and funny. She always made him laugh out loud with her sharp, clever sense of humor. Remembering those funny conversations and old family stories makes Julio feel very nostalgic and relaxed.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Sebastián offers teacher Julio a second cold drink in the workshop.	
2	Julio leaves the mechanic shop immediately because he refuses the beer.	
3	The old radio station plays a slow romantic song by Perry Como.	
4	Piedad was Julio's first girlfriend when he was a teenager in the village.	
5	Piedad always made Julio laugh because she had a fantastic sense of humor.	

CANCIÓN 34/50

Pink Floyd — "Another Brick On The Wall" (1982)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Pink Floyd - Another Brick on the Wall (1982) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	We _____ a good digital projector to display the grammar lessons today. [need]	
2	The strict security guards always tell the children to _____ alone the old building. [leave]	
3	The hungry boys always _____ all their delicious dinner very quickly. [eat]	
4	I can _____ a beautiful black bird flying high in the blue sky now. [see]	
5	My younger brother decides to _____ still when the photographer takes the picture. [stand]	
6	Teacher Julio safely _____ his modern family home after a long morning walk. [arrive]	
7	I _____ a wonderful old friend near the supermarket yesterday afternoon. [find]	
8	The young student turned around because he wanted to _____ to his classmate. [talk]	
9	The math teacher angrily _____ a small red pen onto the wooden desk. [throw]	
10	The energetic children completely _____ a terrible scare from the big barking dog. [get]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: stew, plums, shares, lighter, rougher

Teacher Julio arrives home and finds his lovely wife, Itto, cooking inside the warm kitchen. She is preparing a delicious traditional Moroccan beef stew with plums called "tajine". Julio explains that he is a bit late because he stopped to have a cold drink with Zahra and Sebastián. While they wait for dinner, Julio shares a funny memory from his old school days when he was thirteen years old. He explains that he once turned around in class to talk to his first girlfriend, Nieves. Suddenly, their strict teacher, Don Paco, threw a heavy plastic lighter directly at them to capture their attention. The object flew between their faces at a terrible speed and gave them a massive fright! Julio tells the anecdote with affection, explaining how school discipline was much rougher in the past. Itto listens intently, feeling very happy to share these unique life stories together.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Itto is preparing a traditional Spanish potato omelet inside the kitchen.	
2	Julio arrives a little late because he was visiting Zahra and Sebastián.	
3	When Julio was thirteen years old, Nieves sat behind him in the classroom.	
4	The school teacher, Don Paco, gave Julio and Nieves a sweet chocolate bar.	
5	Julio feels a lot of anger and deep hatred when he remembers his old teacher.	

CANCIÓN 35/50

Pink Martini — "Splendor In The Grass" (2009)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Pink Martini - Splendor in the grass (2009) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I can _____ a beautiful black bird flying high in the blue sky right now. [see]	
2	The young students always _____ hard before a difficult English exam. [think]	
3	My adventurous brother always wants to _____ a new business in summer. [start]	
4	The children love to walk when the grass _____ green and soft in spring. [be]	
5	The little girl always _____ to come along with her mother to the shop. [like]	
6	The wild tigers always _____ after smaller animals in the big forest. [chase]	
7	When I _____ into your beautiful eyes, I feel very calm and happy. [look]	
8	Time moves very fast, so we should _____ our active lives more slowly. [take]	
9	The tired travelers decided to _____ their heads on the comfortable grass. [rest]	
10	The happy group can _____ to the soft music playing on the radio today. [listen]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: chatting, elderly, peaceful, busy, gratitude

After chatting with Itto in the kitchen, teacher Julio walks into the living room. There, he finds his wife's elderly parents, Ali and Fatima, reading the Quran very quietly. Both of them are over eighty-five years old, and they look incredibly calm and peaceful. Looking at them makes Julio reflect on his own busy life. He realizes that it is very important to slow down, take things with more patience, and enjoy the beautiful present moment without stress. Old age gives people a wise perspective on life, showing that there is no urgent hurry, only gratitude for being alive. This beautiful thought makes Julio feel relaxed and deeply happy inside his home.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio finds his parents-in-law reading the Quran in the living room.	
2	Ali and Fatima are very young children who are playing with plastic toys.	
3	Julio's parents-in-law are both over eighty-five years old.	
4	The scene makes Julio think that everyone needs to live life with more stress and hurry.	
5	Old age can give people a beautiful sense of peace and gratitude for life.	

CANCIÓN 36/50

Queen — "Too Much Love Will Kill You" (1992)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Queen - Too Much Love Will Kill You (1992) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Heavy raindrops are _____ down on the green grass outside the window. [rain]	
2	The brave traveler decides to _____ his difficult problems with a brave smile. [face]	
3	I always _____ very happy when my family sits together around the table. [feel]	
4	The children love to _____ back at their childhood pictures from last year. [look]	
5	My older sister needs to _____ up her mind about her university studies. [make]	
6	The busy train is _____ directly toward the central station right now. [head]	
7	I always _____ the morning news carefully before I start my work. [read]	
8	The young sun can _____ beautiful light into our bright classroom. [bring]	
9	If you live a good life, you are never bound to _____ your happiness. [lose]	
10	The active students completely _____ the grammar explanation today. [understand]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: Although, niece, mood, mistaken, skills

Itto calls from the kitchen to say that the food is ready. She asks teacher Julio to call Majda, her young niece, who has been living with them for almost two years. Majda enters the cozy dining room to join the family. Although she was depressed in the past, her mood is much better now, and she is making realistic plans to move to Paris to continue her life independently. Julio looks at her and reflects on how an excessive or mistaken love can destroy a person's spirit. He deeply hopes she can turn the page and look at her future with authentic hope. They all sit down with Itto's parents and enjoy a fantastic dinner together. Everyone feels incredibly happy celebrating Itto's wonderful cooking skills because they absolutely love her traditional dishes.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Itto calls the family because the morning breakfast is ready on the table.	
2	Majda is Itto's niece and has been staying at Julio's house for nearly two years.	
3	Majda is planning to stay at Julio's house forever because she refuses to travel.	
4	Teacher Julio wishes that Majda can look at her future with positive hope.	
5	The whole family enjoys the dinner and celebrates Itto's great culinary skills.	

CANCIÓN 37/50

R.E.M. — "Everybody Hurts" (1992)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/R.E.M. - Everybody Hurts (1992) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	When the summer day is very long, the quiet night _____ yours alone. [be]	
2	The kind girl always feels better when she _____ along to her favorite music. [sing]	
3	My eyes fill with tears when my little sister _____ during a sad film. [cry]	
4	It always _____ deeply when a good friend tells a painful lie. [hurt]	
5	Please, _____ tightly to my warm hand when we cross the busy street. [hold]	
6	When you _____ like giving up, remember that your family loves you. [feel]	
7	I _____ that learning English vocabulary is a wonderful decision for my future. [think]	
8	The loyal dog always takes great _____ in its kind owner's presence. [comfort]	
9	The energetic boy decided to _____ the red ball across the big garden yesterday. [throw]	
10	The diligent teacher always _____ the internet on his modern portable laptop. [navigate]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: surfs, upstairs, advice, forgive, former

After a delicious dinner, the family spends some quiet time in the comfortable living room. Everyone watches Moroccan television together while teacher Julio surfs the internet to complete an online training course on his laptop. Later, the family goes upstairs to sleep, but Majda stays downstairs to chat with Julio about her future plans to move to Paris very soon. Julio listens to her carefully and offers some gentle advice. He insists on the importance of making peace with her complicated past. He tells her that she needs to forgive her former husband and accept her own part of responsibility, helping her understand that everyone hurts others sometimes, even without intending to do so. This honest conversation leaves Majda feeling calmer and more happy about her next step in life.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio uses his portable laptop to finish an online training course.	
2	Majda goes upstairs to sleep early without talking to anyone in the family.	
3	Majda talks with teacher Julio about her upcoming plans to live in Paris.	
4	Julio advises Majda to remain angry and never forgive her former husband.	
5	The teacher explains to his niece that everyone can cause pain to others sometimes.	

CANCIÓN 38/50

Roy Orbison — "Pretty Woman" (1964)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Roy Orbison - Pretty Woman (1964) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The beautiful model loves _____ down the busy fashion street every afternoon. [walk]	
2	I always want to _____ new interesting people when I travel abroad. [meet]	
3	Please _____ my mistake because I did not want to cause any trouble. [pardon]	
4	The friendly neighbor always decides to _____ for a short minute to chat. [stop]	
5	My grandmother loves to _____ her sweet smile to all the little children. [give]	
6	The diligent students _____ very hard to finish their intensive computer lessons. [work]	
7	I completely _____ all your instructions because they are very clear. [understand]	
8	The little baby begins to _____ loudly when he feels very hungry at night. [cry]	
9	I _____ the modern computer screen to see the final results of my project. [check]	
10	The teacher always tells us that a new bright day will _____ tomorrow. [come]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: downstairs, niece, pretty, whole, worries

Majda finally says goodnight and decides to go to bed. Teacher Julio stays downstairs in the living room for a little longer to finish an online training course about AI on his laptop. Although he does not love the content, he knows he can adapt some advanced ideas for his digital students. Finally, he turns off his computer and thinks about his niece for a moment. Majda is only thirty-two years old and has a whole life ahead of her. She is a pretty young woman who will easily find a new partner if she wants to build a new family. Julio knows that she deeply desires to become a mother and worries about getting older, but he feels sure that she will find true love soon and live a very happy life.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio goes to sleep at the exact same time as his niece Majda.	
2	Julio finishes an online training course about artificial intelligence.	
3	The teacher plans to use some course materials for his advanced computer lessons.	
4	Majda is a fifty-year-old woman who never wants to have any children.	
5	Julio is confident that Majda will eventually find a new love in the future.	

CANCIÓN 39/50

Scorpions — "Still Loving You" (1984)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Scorpions - Still loving you (1984) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	We _____ more patience to resolve these complicated administrative documents. [need]	
2	The young athlete hopes to _____ the gold medal at the next match. [win]	
3	Love can _____ down the highest walls when people try to understand each other. [bring]	
4	If I could start the digital project from the beginning, I would _____ my strategy. [try]	
5	The chameleon can _____ its skin color very quickly to hide from danger. [change]	
6	The careless accident completely _____ the beautiful flowers in the garden. [kill]	
7	You should always try to _____ in your family because they love you. [trust]	
8	My sister decided to _____ the old broken computer away yesterday afternoon. [throw]	
9	I know that I have _____ your feelings, and I want to apologize sincerely. [hurt]	
10	The teacher knows that the students _____ a clear explanation to learn English. [need]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: Lying, divorce, face, painful, determined

After her deep conversation with teacher Julio, Majda goes upstairs to her quiet bedroom. She gets into bed, but she cannot sleep. Lying in the dark, she thinks deeply about her former husband again. She understands that the divorce was partly her responsibility. She left Paris and came to Spain to organize her legal immigration papers because doing it in France was impossible. Being separated for such a long time made the separation logical. Although she knows he still loves her, Majda accepts that their romantic story is completely over. It is finally time to face life without constantly bringing the painful past to her memory. Soon, she will move back to Paris, the city where she always wanted to live, feeling determined and happy about her future.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Majda goes upstairs to her bedroom and falls asleep immediately.	
2	Majda came to Spain from Paris to arrange her legal immigration papers.	
3	The long separation made it logical for Majda's former husband to choose divorce.	
4	Majda believes that her former husband hates her completely and never loved her.	
5	The young woman decides to forget the past and plans to live in Paris soon.	

CANCIÓN 40/50

Sting — "Englishman In New York" (1987)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Sting - Englishman in New York (1987) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I do not _____ bitter coffee in the morning because I prefer sweet hot milk. [drink]	
2	My grandfather always decides to _____ a small cup of hot tea after lunch. [take]	
3	You can _____ the singing birds very clearly when you open the window. [hear]	
4	The polite students always _____ to their teacher with great respect. [talk]	
5	I can _____ a tall man walking down the busy street right now. [see]	
6	The brave firefighter can _____ many difficult situations during his day. [suffer]	
7	When you feel happy and relaxed, a big beautiful _____ appears on your face. [smile]	
8	My active friends always _____ your company when they want to play football. [avoid]	
9	A true gentleman will walk carefully down the street but he will never _____. [run]	
10	Teacher Julio finally goes upstairs because he wants to _____ in his bed. [sleep]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: deep, headphones, foreigner, fit, environment

After his deep conversation with Majda, teacher Julio finally goes upstairs to his quiet bedroom to sleep. Just like his niece, he tries to rest, but sleep does not come easily to his mind. He decides to put on his comfortable headphones and listen to some soft music to relax. A classic song by Sting starts playing, telling the story of an Englishman living in New York. The profound lyrics make Julio reflect deeply about life. He thinks that, sometimes, we feel like a complete foreigner in certain places and cultures. Because of our distinct personal traditions and values, we do not always fit perfectly into the environment where we live by circumstance. Realizing this human truth makes Julio feel calm, peaceful, and happy with his own identity under the night sky.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio falls asleep instantly as soon as his head touches the pillow.	
2	Julio uses his headphones to listen to a classic song by the artist Sting.	
3	The song playing in the headphones talks about an American living in London.	
4	The music makes Julio think about how people can sometimes feel like foreigners.	
5	Julio believes that different traditions and values can make it hard to fit in perfectly.	

CANCIÓN 41/50

Supertramp — "School" (1974)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Supertramp - School (1974) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I can _____ a beautiful black bird flying high in the blue sky right now. [see]	
2	Please do not _____ your English books on the kitchen table today. [forget]	
3	The young children have got to _____ many new vocabulary words this week. [learn]	
4	The strict teacher always tells the noisy students to _____ their play. [stop]	
5	The little boy is _____ along nicely with his difficult reading exercises. [come]	
6	The children love to _____ in the green park after the lessons are over. [play]	
7	My grandparents always tell me to _____ up with patience and strength. [grow]	
8	The wise old men never _____ their friends when they make a small mistake. [criticize]	
9	Honest people always try to do exactly as their heart tells them to _____. [do]	
10	Teacher Julio suddenly _____ a soft click and turns off his modern headphones. [hear]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: teenage, punished, childhood, corridors, rebellious

Inside his dark bedroom, teacher Julio listens to Supertramp, one of his favorite teenage bands, through his headphones. The famous track playing is called "School". This deep music brings back vivid memories of his childhood school days. He remembers spending hours punished out in the corridors because of his rebellious spirit. Ironically, Julio reflects that today, as a professional teacher, he still feels like he is standing in those same hallways. He finds it difficult to fit into an oppressing educational system that often acts like a rigid factory, crushing individual creativity. However, teaching his students directly and helping them think freely makes him truly happy, knowing he’s changing the system from the inside.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio listens to his favorite heavy metal rock band on the laptop speaker.	
2	The song "School" makes Julio think about his adolescent years and old student days.	
3	When Julio was a young student, he was always perfect and never got punished.	
4	As a teacher, Julio loves rigid factory-like systems that eliminate individuality.	
5	Julio feels a conflict between his rebellious values and the traditional school system.	

CANCIÓN 42/50

The Animals — "House Of The Rising Sun" (1964)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/The Animals - House Of The Rising Sun (1964) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	There _____ a historic brick building near the central station of New Orleans. [be]	
2	My grandparents always _____ that hard work is the key to a successful life. [know]	
3	The clever tailor slowly _____ a beautiful long dress for the young bride. [sew]	
4	The traveler only _____ a small leather suitcase for his weekend trip. [need]	
5	Honest parents always _____ their children to study hard for the future. [tell]	
6	I do not want to _____ my valuable time playing silly computer games. [spend]	
7	The active passengers decided to _____ quickly onto the morning train. [go]	
8	My older brother decided to _____ a heavy metal chain to lock his bike. [wear]	
9	Teacher Julio _____ as a busy waiter at a popular holiday disco long ago. [work]	
10	The young man happily _____ his difficult university degree last summer. [finish]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: Rising, poverty, willpower, fate, degrees

Teacher Julio decides to listen to one last song before turning off his headphones. The classic melody of "The house of the Rising Sun" plays softly. The track makes him reflect on all the young children who escape poverty and difficult family backgrounds through pure willpower. Julio identifies with them deeply. He remembers when he was twenty years old, working as a nighttime waiter at busy holiday clubs in Mallorca. Back then, his life was chaotic, moving from one casual romance to another without a real destination. However, he bravely chose to change his fate. He moved to the beautiful city of Granada to study at the university. Through immense personal effort, he completed two degrees and graduated top of his class both times. Remembering this incredible victory over his past makes him feel deeply proud and happy.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio listens to the song while working in a laboratory in Granada.	
2	When Julio was twenty years old, he worked as a waiter in Mallorca.	
3	Julio decided to change his direction in life and attend university.	
4	The teacher studied two university degrees and graduated top of his class.	
5	Julio feels sad and regrets changing his old life at the holiday clubs.	

CANCIÓN 43/50

The Beatles — "Let It Be" (1973)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/The Beatles - Let It Be (1973) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I always _____ my car keys inside my jacket pocket when I am in a hurry. [find]	
2	The kind neighbor always _____ to our house when we need some help. [come]	
3	The wise grandfather is _____ soft words of advice to the young boy now. [speak]	
4	The intelligent students completely _____ with the new classroom rules today. [agree]	
5	We can _____ a beautiful bright light shining through the window right now. [see]	
6	The morning sun can _____ brightly over the green hills of Almería today. [shine]	
7	I usually _____ up at seven o'clock every morning to prepare my lessons. [wake]	
8	The brave girl decides to _____ her bags and move to a big new city. [pack]	
9	Teacher Julio kindly _____ his beloved niece a valuable piece of advice. [give]	
10	The happy family completely _____ to travel together to France next year. [decide]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: airport, ticket, stubbornly, advice, flow

The whole family travels together to the busy Almería airport. Majda has finally booked her plane ticket and decided to move to Paris to restart her life independently. Although her legal residency papers are not fully guaranteed yet, she feels confident that she will resolve everything over the next few years. Itto, her parents, and teacher Julio stand at the terminal to say goodbye and wish her the best of luck. Right before she leaves, Julio smiles warmly and offers her a final piece of advice: "Let it be, Majda." He reminds her that it is better to flow peacefully with life's events instead of fighting them stubbornly. Majda hugs everyone tightly, looking toward her future with hope, which makes Julio feel deeply happy and proud.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	The family accompanies Majda to the train station in Granada.	
2	Majda is traveling to Paris to start a new chapter in her life.	
3	Majda's regular legal status in France is completely resolved right now.	
4	Teacher Julio advises Majda to fight stubbornly against every life situation.	
5	The family wishes Majda good luck and feels happy about her hopeful future.	

CANCIÓN 44/50

The Bee Gees — "Words" (1977)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/The Bee Gees - Words (1977) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	A kind person can always _____ an everlasting smile to make people feel safe. [smile]	
2	The loving mother hopes the children will never _____ a tear because of sadness. [drop]	
3	I always feel sad when I _____ my favorite book is missing from the shelf. [find]	
4	The young couple decides to _____ a brand new story together in a new city. [start]	
5	When you walk into the classroom, I can _____ you how to write the verbs. [show]	
6	The old friends love to _____ for hours about their wonderful childhood memories. [talk]	
7	The famous singer wants to _____ his beautiful new song to his loyal family. [dedicate]	
8	My sister promises that she will _____ me a call as soon as she arrives. [give]	
9	If you say something important, you must truly _____ every single word. [mean]	
10	The active travelers always _____ a big suitcase when they go abroad. [take]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: enough, proper, words, silence, trip

The rest of the family arrives a little late at the Almería airport, but they still have enough time to say a proper goodbye to Majda. Her mother, Zahra, stands in front of her but does not know what to say because she cannot find the right words. Sebastián, her brother Tarik, his wife Sana, and little baby Mohamed are all there to support them. Zahra knows that choosing the correct expressions can heal a person, while bad ones can cause deep pain. Selecting them well is one of the greatest lessons in life, because a cold silence between people who truly love each other is terrible. Finally, they share a very warm hug, and the whole family feels deeply happy to show their sincere affection before the long trip.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Tarik and his wife Sana arrive at the airport with their little son Mohamed.	
2	The family arrives so late that they cannot see Majda before she gets on the plane.	
3	Zahra immediately starts shouting and finds the perfect words to say.	
4	The story suggests that cold silence is worse than choosing the right words.	
5	The family members feel happy to express their love and say goodbye properly.	

CANCIÓN 45/50

The Righteous Brothers — "Unchained Melody" (1965)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/The Righteous Brothers - Unchained Melody (1965) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	The busy weeks slowly _____ by when you are waiting for a special holiday trip. [go]	
2	Independent cats can _____ so much curiosity and energy during the day. [do]	
3	I always _____ your help when I translate these complex English sentences. [need]	
4	Large mountain rivers smoothly _____ down to the blue ocean every single day. [flow]	
5	The small children always _____ when they hear a loud noise in the dark. [sigh]	
6	Please _____ for me near the school entrance because I am a little late. [wait]	
7	My adventurous friends are _____ home from their long journey tomorrow morning. [come]	
8	The whole family decides to _____ together in the beautiful green patio. [gather]	
9	The intelligent girl easily _____ difficult words because she studies hard. [learn]	
10	The tourists completely _____ their past problems and enjoy the sunny day. [forget]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: patio, overcame, smart, fluently, hopeful

After saying goodbye to Majda at the busy airport, the entire family returns to teacher Julio's house. They sit together in the beautiful outdoor patio to relax and talk. Everyone feels a bit sad because Majda is gone, but they are also very optimistic about her future. They know she successfully overcame her deep depression and is finally ready to move forward with her life. She is an incredibly smart, capable young woman who speaks multiple languages fluently. The family thinks that maybe, in the future, she will return to university to complete her degree in Spanish Philology, which she had to abandon when she married in France. While discussing these hopeful plans, they all enjoy a hot cup of traditional Moroccan green tea, feeling peaceful and happy to be together.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	The family gathers in teacher Julio's kitchen to cook a giant dinner.	
2	Everyone feels completely pessimistic and angry about Majda's trip.	
3	Majda is an intelligent girl who can speak several languages very well.	
4	In the past, Majda abandoned her university studies when she got married.	
5	The family drinks traditional Moroccan green tea while chatting in the patio.	

CANCIÓN 46/50

The Ronettes — "Be My Baby" (1963)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/The Ronettes - Be My Baby (1963) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I always remember the special night when we _____ for the first time. [meet]	
2	The small children _____ a long time to finish their difficult exams. [need]	
3	If you work hard, your proud parents will never _____ you go. [let]	
4	The polite students always _____ thank you when they receive a gift. [say]	
5	The warm sun can _____ people feel very comfortable during winter. [make]	
6	The drivers always _____ their heads to look at the new modern building. [turn]	
7	Please _____ for me near the airport entrance because I am coming soon. [wait]	
8	The young boy can _____ a beautiful white bird flying in the sky. [see]	
9	I absolutely _____ my kind grandparents because they are very generous. [adore]	
10	The happy family completely _____ to listen to a classic American song. [decide]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: taste, own, blush, gaze, joyful

While most family members usually listen to traditional Amazigh music, Tarik enjoys a very open and cosmopolitan musical taste. For this reason, teacher Julio respects him deeply and sees him like his own son. As they sit in the beautiful outdoor patio, Tarik surprises everyone by playing a classic 1960s American movie song. He begins to sing the romantic lyrics directly to Sana, his lovely wife. This sweet gesture makes her blush deeply under the gaze of the entire family. Mohamed, Itto, and Zahra laugh out loud watching the funny and romantic scene. Sharing this spontaneous and joyful moment together makes everyone feel incredibly relaxed and happy.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Most of Itto's family members prefer to listen to classic American country music.	
2	Teacher Julio treats Tarik with great affection and views him almost like a son.	
3	Tarik plays an old sixties song from American movies to surprise his wife, Sana.	
4	Sana feels very angry and leaves the patio immediately when Tarik sings to her.	
5	Mohamed, Itto, and Zahra laugh and enjoy the romantic moment in the patio.	

CANCIÓN 47/50

Tom Jones — "I Who Have Nothing" (1970)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Tom Jones - I Who Have Nothing (1970) exercise 2.mp3



EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	I always _____ my best friends because they are honest and kind. [adore]	
2	The hard-working student does not _____ a expensive new car yet. [have]	
3	My helpful brother always wants to _____ a special gift to his mother. [give]	
4	The wealthy businessman happily _____ beautiful jewelry for his wife. [buy]	
5	Please _____ me because I am telling you the complete truth. [believe]	
6	The professional tour guides can _____ the visitors to many historic places. [take]	
7	The children love to _____ the little birds through the glass window pane. [watch]	
8	The happy couple decides to _____ gracefully together at the party. [dance]	
9	Tarik carefully _____ the meaning of the English romantic lyrics to Sana. [explain]	
10	The young driver finally _____ to work as a professional truck driver. [start]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: poor, flat, rent, truck, reward,

Tarik plays another beautiful song while driving his family home inside their old Mercedes. He explains to his wife, Sana, that the music describes a poor man who has no riches but offers eternal love. In a way, Tarik feels a similar connection to the story because they still live in his mother's small flat while they search for a personal space to rent. However, his new job as a truck driver brings reasonable money and great hope for their future independence. Sana listens affectionately, feeling very happy and safe because she knows that their hard work will soon reward them with the private home they need.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Tarik plays a classic English romantic song for Sana inside his car.	
2	The song tells the story of a very rich man who buys sparkling diamonds.	
3	Tarik and Sana currently live independently in a big luxury house.	
4	Tarik recently started a new job working as a professional truck driver.	
5	The couple feels optimistic about finding their own rental space soon.	

CANCIÓN 48/50

Tracy Chapman — "Baby Can I Hold You" (1988)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Tracy Chapman - Baby Can I Hold You (1988) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Sometimes "sorry" _____ the most difficult word to say after an argument. [be]	
2	The busy weeks slowly _____ by while the young couple searches for a flat. [go]	
3	Beautiful words do not always _____ easily when a person feels very shy. [come]	
4	Please _____ my mistake because I really did not want to hurt you. [forgive]	
5	My grandmother loves to _____ the little baby tightly in her warm arms. [hold]	
6	If I _____ you the complete truth about my life, would you believe me? [tell]	
7	I truly _____ my wonderful family because they support all my dreams. [love]	
8	The small child always _____ very quickly during long nighttime car trips. [sleep]	
9	Hard-working people can _____ their monthly house bills with their new salary. [pay]	
10	The happy couple decides to _____ to sweet romantic music before bed. [listen]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: bedroom, meaning, hug, bills, intimacy

Inside their quiet bedroom, Tarik and Sana prepare to go to sleep after a long day. Little Mohamed fell asleep during the car ride home, so the parents enjoy a peaceful moment alone. Tarik decides to play one last romantic song that he loves. Sana asks him to explain the meaning of the English lyrics, and when she understands the deep message, she gives her husband a warm, loving hug. She thinks about their urgent need to find a private apartment where they can share their intimacy without their child in the same room. They know that money does not automatically buy a happy life, but it certainly helps to pay the expensive everyday bills and build their independent future.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Mohamed is awake and playing with loud plastic toys inside the bedroom.	
2	Sana asks Tarik to explain the translation of the romantic english song.	
3	Sana gives her husband a warm hug after learning the meaning of the lyrics.	
4	The young couple prefers to share their bedroom with their son forever.	
5	The story mentions that money can help a family pay their life bills.	

CANCIÓN 49/50

Van Morrison — "Not Supposed To Break Down" (1998)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Van Morrison - Not Supposed To Break Down (1998) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	A true friend can always _____ what you are feeling inside your heart. [feel]	
2	The kind grandmother does not want to get _____ with dangerous neighborhood problems. [involve]	
3	Many poor people are _____ because they do not have enough food to eat. [starve]	
4	The brave soldiers always _____ alone on the cold mountain during the night. [stand]	
5	When everything is difficult, it is very easy to _____ down and cry. [break]	
6	Please _____ this small white pill with a glass of clean water now. [swallow]	
7	The birds love to _____ to the gentle sounds of nature in the morning. [listen]	
8	The beautiful mother bird is _____ its tiny white eggs with its wings. [cover]	
9	Wise people always try to _____ what is true and honest in this life. [find]	
10	The children can _____ that their grandfather loves them very much today. [tell]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: awake, problems, strong, elderly, holds

Everyone goes to bed, but Zahra stays awake for a while in the quiet living room. Her elderly father, who came to visit for a few days, sits peacefully by her side. He absolutely loves spending time with his little great-grandson, Mohamed, and shares a deep connection with Zahra. Tonight, Zahra feels incredibly sad because her daughter Majda left for Paris, and she knows it will take a long time to see her again. She tries her best to remain strong while facing heavy emotional and financial problems. However, it is very easy to break down when life becomes so complicated. Her father holds her hand gently, offering his silent support to make her feel calm and happy to have him near.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Zahra stays in the living room alone with her father after the others go to sleep.	
2	Zahra's father dislikes visiting her flat and hates playing with his great-grandson.	
3	Zahra feels very sad because her daughter Majda has returned to Paris.	
4	The story shows that Zahra has no economic or emotional difficulties at all.	
5	It can be very easy for a person to break down when facing many hard problems.	

CANCIÓN 50/50

Yvonne Elliman — "I Don't Know How To Love Him" (1973)

Audio disponible en audio/best_songs/Yvonne Elliman - I dont know how to love him (1973) exercise 2.mp3

EXERCISE 1 · TARGET VERBS

#	Sentence	Tu respuesta
1	Many people do not _____ how to solve this difficult English puzzle without help. [know]	
2	The strong wind can _____ the heavy green branches of the tree outside. [move]	
3	The warm spring weather has completely _____ the landscape of the valley. [change]	
4	I can _____ myself in the clean glass window pane of the classroom. [see]	
5	Please _____ this small gift as a sign of my sincere friendship. [take]	
6	You should not _____ and shout inside the quiet school library. [scream]	
7	The polite students always _____ of their future plans with great enthusiasm. [speak]	
8	I never _____ that learning English with classic songs would be so fun. [think]	
9	The scary sound in the dark always _____ the little children in the house. [scare]	
10	The teacher decides to _____ his head to look at the blackboard. [turn]	

EXERCISE 2 · READING COMPREHENSION STORY

Vocabulario clave: movie, feelings, history, truths, facts

During Holy Week, teacher Julio projects the beautiful 1970s musical movie Jesus Christ Superstar in his English class. After watching it, the students study the emotional song where Mary Magdalene expresses her deep feelings. Julio uses this moment to talk about different theories regarding the real history of these famous events. He even recommends a later film that suggests Jesus lived a quiet, alternative life with a traditional family. He explains that there is so much to investigate about the things told to us as absolute truths. The students feel very happy to participate in such an interesting debate, realizing that historical facts can often be revised.

EXERCISE 3 · TRUE OR FALSE

#	Statement	T/F
1	Teacher Julio shows a modern science fiction film to his students during class.	
2	The students work on a song where Mary Magdalene expresses her inner feelings.	
3	Julio explains that all historical information about the past is always 100% simple and certain.	
4	The teacher mentions a movie that suggests Jesus had a family life later on.	
5	The students feel happy to learn about alternative theories and research history.	

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