

Unit 12 Conversation

Part 1 In-depth Reading



Suggested reading time: 10 mins

Smartie and Fifi are having fun at the beach.

Fifi : I make a sandcastle. Come and see it!

Smartie : Wow! It looks fantastic! Can I take a picture of it?

Fifi : Sure, Smartie!

5 Smartie : Hey! A big wave is coming! Watch out!

Fifi : Oh, no... My sandcastle!

Smartie : The strong wind brings huge waves today.

Don't be upset, Fifi. Do you want to look for seashells?

10 Fifi : **Good idea!** Look! **Why** is that seashell moving along the shore?

Smartie : **Because** there's a hermit crab in it. Hermit crabs' shells are soft. They always hide in other shells.

15 Fifi : What a lovely creature! I like summer best!

Smartie : I can't swim but I like going to the beaches **in summer**. I like to **go sunbathing** and **shell collecting!**

Fifi : Yippee! Let's do these together today!

Taking turns

Speakers speak one after the other to give responses

Short forms

Use short forms in daily conversations, e.g. do not → don't

Short replies

Short replies are more common in conversations, e.g.

'Good idea!' = agree

'Sure!' = of course

'Wow!' = feel surprised

LEARN THIS SKILL

We can guess what a person is like from what he / she says. In this case, we can guess Smartie knows a lot about animals.

USEFUL TIP

We can use 'go + -ing' to talk about activities that people do.

e.g. Sam loves to **go cycling**.



ABC Choose the Best Answers

- Read line 2. Smartie says 'Wow' because he is _____.
 - A. scared that a big wave is coming.
 - B. shocked that Fifi does not like big waves.
 - C. surprised that Fifi knows how to build a sandcastle.
 - D. surprised when he sees Fifi's beautiful sandcastle.
- In line 5, Smartie says 'Watch out!'. Something _____ may happen.
 - A. good B. interesting C. bad D. boring

? Answer the Questions in Short

- Read lines 12–14. Which word is a short form? _____
- Which word in the conversation means 'animal'? _____

🔍 Know More about the Structure

How do Smartie and Fifi take turns to talk? Draw lines to match the speech bubbles.

Fifi / Smartie says...

Look at my sandcastle! •

Oh, no! My sandcastle! •

Let's find some seashells! •

I want to go sunbathing. •

Smartie / Fifi replies...

• Don't be sad...

• Sure! I love sunshine.

• Wow! It's amazing!

• Good idea!

Part 2 Fun Text Grammar



Suggested finishing time: 5 mins



Magic Grammar Points

- a** We use the question word 'why' to ask for reasons and the connective 'because' to give reasons.

Why	do you want to go to the park?
Because	I want to play on the slide.

Ex. Match the questions to the answers. Write the correct letters in the brackets.

- Why do you like apples? () A. Because I can fly kites.
- Why is the baby crying? () B. Because they are healthy.
- Why do you like autumn best? () C. Because it is cold outside.
- Why are you wearing a scarf? () D. Because he is hungry.


- b** We can use the preposition of time 'in' with months and seasons.


I	go hiking	in spring.
We	celebrate Christmas	in December.

Ex. Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions, months and seasons.

1.  Eat hotpot and claypot rice in w_____.

2.  Eat ice lollies _____
Au_____.

3.  Have a picnic _____
No_____.

4.  Have a barbecue _____
au_____.

Part 3 Getting to Write



Suggested finishing time: 10 mins

Unit 12



Brain Boost

Fifi and Kaka are thinking about what to do this Saturday. What does Kaka want to do? Circle the correct pictures.

It's springtime! Do you have any ideas about what to do?

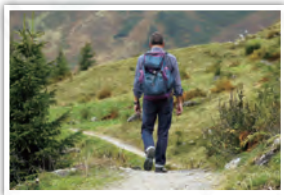


Well, let's have a day out this weekend!



I want to...

- ♥ go outdoors
- ♥ do some exercise
- ♥ eat something sweet and juicy



Let's Practise

Fill in the blanks to complete Fifi and Kaka's conversation.

Kaka : ① _____ spring, Eddie and I like to go ② _____ in the country park. Do you want to join us?

Fifi : Why do you like to go hiking in spring?

Kaka : ③ _____ I can see many kinds of flowers and animals ④ _____ March and April. In the afternoon, we can ⑤ _____ strawberry picking too. Strawberries are my favourite fruit!

Fifi : ⑥ _____

Kaka : I like strawberries because they're ⑦ _____. They're just so delicious!

Fifi : OK. We can go to the farm by bus from the country park.

Kaka : ⑧ That _____ great! I love taking buses! ⑨ It _____ fun!