Syllabus

OXFORD SKILLS WORLD

Topic	Unit	Reading Goal	Key Words	Writing Goal
TOPIC 1 What's in the Water?	Unit 1	Identify the point of view	octopus, interesting, squid, exhibit, jellyfish, amazing, boring, sea turtle	Write a detailed description
	Unit 2	Make inferences	diver, video, bored, seal, shark, scared, scary, tired	Focus: Sequencers
TOPIC 2 What to Wear	Unit 3	Identify the main idea and details	turn off the TV, competition, watch birds, wear a helmet, wear a life jacket, take off your watch, scarf, put on sunscreen	Write a magazine article
	Unit 4	Identify the main idea and theme	act in a play, read a lot of books, turn in your homework, turn up the heat, belt, mitten, turn down the music, turn off the computer	Focus: Headline, pictures, and hook
TOPIC 3 From Here to There	Unit 5	Identify and analyze the setting	on the left, turn right, go straight, next to, go back, up the hill, read a map, between	Write a process essay
	Unit 6	Use visuals	corner, go two blocks, across the street from, around, in front of, behind, cross the street, along a river	Focus: Phrases that show purpose
TOPIC 4 A World of Words	Unit 7	Understand a bar graph	native speaker, official language, Spanish, Mexican, French, Chinese, Hindi, English	Write a review
	Unit 8	Make predictions	Italian, British, accent, Portuguese, Australia, Brazil, bilingual, Australian	Focus: Phrases that give examples
TOPIC 5 Getting to Know You	Unit 9	Analyze characters	calm, nervous, daring, shy, rude, thoughtful, confident, friendly	Write a comparative report
	Unit 10	Understand types of conflict	fit, strong, studious, proud, brave, patient, busy, generous	Focus: Phrases that show contrast
TOPIC 6 Finding Adventure	Unit 11	Make a value judgment	Amazon jungle, Mt. Everest, pyramid, culture, currency, go kayaking, rock climbing, national park	Write a research report
	Unit 12	Understand a pie chart	go to Mars, exciting, Antarctica, population, mountain range, glacier, the bottom of the ocean, determined	Focus: Synonyms