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You can be a Game Changer!

With its fresh and fun approach to global real-world topics, Game Changer is designed to help teachers prepare stimulating and easy-to-teach lessons that will ensure your students are motivated and engaged throughout the whole school year. Our global focused reading topics, in-context language presentations, scaffolded speaking and writing tasks, and the latest digital resources are guaranteed to develop learners' global awareness and encourage a learning mindset.

Real-Life Contexts for Language **Presentation**

We present grammar and vocabulary in a clear context through dynamic reading and listening texts in a wide variety of genres. This, combined with topics that are relevant and authentic, ensures students see the purpose of their learning and feel motivated to explore and use the language.

Easy-to-teach

Game Changer Teacher's Book includes all the Student's Book and Workbook pages, with the Answer Key integrated on each page. Teacher's Notes and extra tips make it easy to identify each section. Flipped classroom ideas provide useful suggestions for activities that students could do at home to consolidate in-class learning.

All your digital tools together!

With Cambridge One everything you need to teach with Game Changer is at your fingertips with classroom presentation, audio and video, additional practice, games, and an innovative digital collaboration space for students. For more information see page XV.

Global Cultural Topics

Game Changer explores a variety of global topics through its reading and listening pages and in a dedicated Around the World spread in every other unit. This helps students broaden their understanding of other people and places, preparing them for life in a diverse, multicultural environment.



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English is an International Language

Learners of English now outnumber speakers of English as a first language. Students are therefore far more likely to use English to communicate with people whose first language is not English. This has significant implications for traditional English teaching because an understanding of the language is now only *part* of successful communication, and we cannot underestimate the role of cross-cultural understanding. For this reason, *Game Changer* does not elevate one type of English above others and instead embraces different varieties of English, featuring a range of voices and language varieties.



Teen-Friendly Videos

Game Changer documentary videos reinforce and extend the Student's Book content. The topics of the videos are authentic, fresh, and fun with a global scope, presenting ways of life and ideas from different cultures around the world.

Project Work

We know that it is important for you as a teacher to include projects and collaborative work in your planning and that it is especially motivating for students. That's why we have included two easy-to-teach projects at the back of each Student's Book. These projects recycle and review the language learned in the previous semester, providing a fun and stimulating way to keep students practicing their language skills.

Cross-curricular Pages

Game Changer includes a variety of Cross-curricular lessons, with a dedicated Across the Curriculum spread in every other unit. This reinforces and extends students' learning in other areas across the broader curriculum. The attractive and colorful spreads provide a stimulating alternative to the more skills-focused core pages in each unit.



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Key Features of Game Changer

In *Game Changer*, we developed a syllabus that includes the language requirements outlined in most of the English programs taught throughout the world. Take a look at the chart below to see the key features we have incorporated into *Game Changer* to address these requirements.



For more information on the key features of *Game Changer*, visit www.cambridge.org/gamechangerint or scan the QR code to the right.

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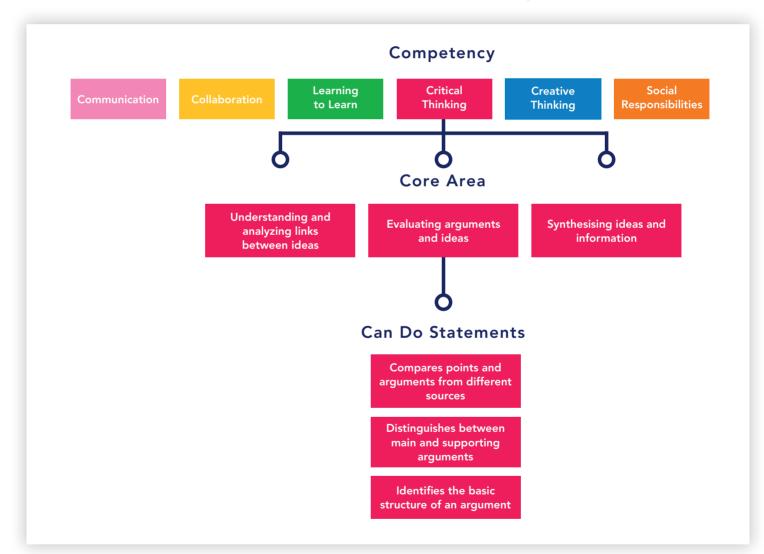




A framework to develop skills for life

How can we prepare our students to succeed in a world that is rapidly changing? We need to help students develop transferable skills that allow them to work with people from around the world, think creatively, analyze sources critically, and communicate their views effectively. How can we teach these skills alongside language?

In response to these questions, we have developed the *Cambridge Life Competencies Framework*. This Framework informs the syllabus for the *Think!* activities in *Game Changer*, helping teachers recognize and assess the many transferable skills that the course develops.



For a chart mapping the Cambridge Life Competencies for this level, visit www.cambridge. org/gamechangerint or scan the QR code to the right.



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Student's Book Visual Guide

Every unit in Game Changer takes the student on a carefully staged Unit Goals journey. Students are gradually introduced to the topic and target language through a variety of scaffolded activities that build their confidence as they progress. Language is presented in context via a rich variety of real-world topics and each unit culminates in a creative writing or speaking task.

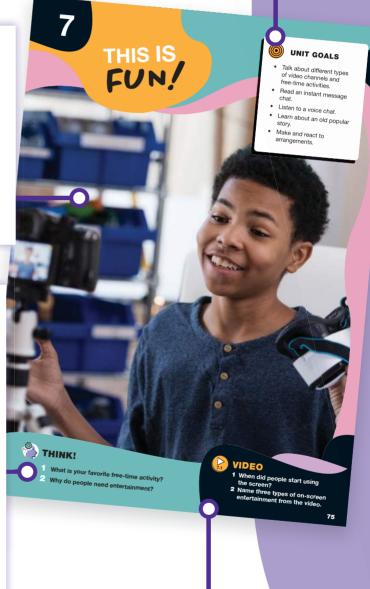
The Unit Goals show the unit aims at a glance.

Attractive Unit Opener photo

A picture is worth a thousand words, and in today's culture, there are images everywhere. This means that visual literacy—the ability to "read" images—is an essential skill. In Game Changer, the unit openers provide an opportunity for students to interpret meaning from pictures related to the unit topic.

Think! Questions

We often "read" images before we read words. This happens every day with what we see on television, advertisements, internet memes, emojis, or other media. By encouraging different responses to visual stimuli, you can help your students critically analyze and interpret what they see and develop a deeper understanding of topics. The Think! questions in the Unit Opener and throughout each unit encourage students to think beyond the photo or topic and articulate their opinions, developing their critical-thinking skills.

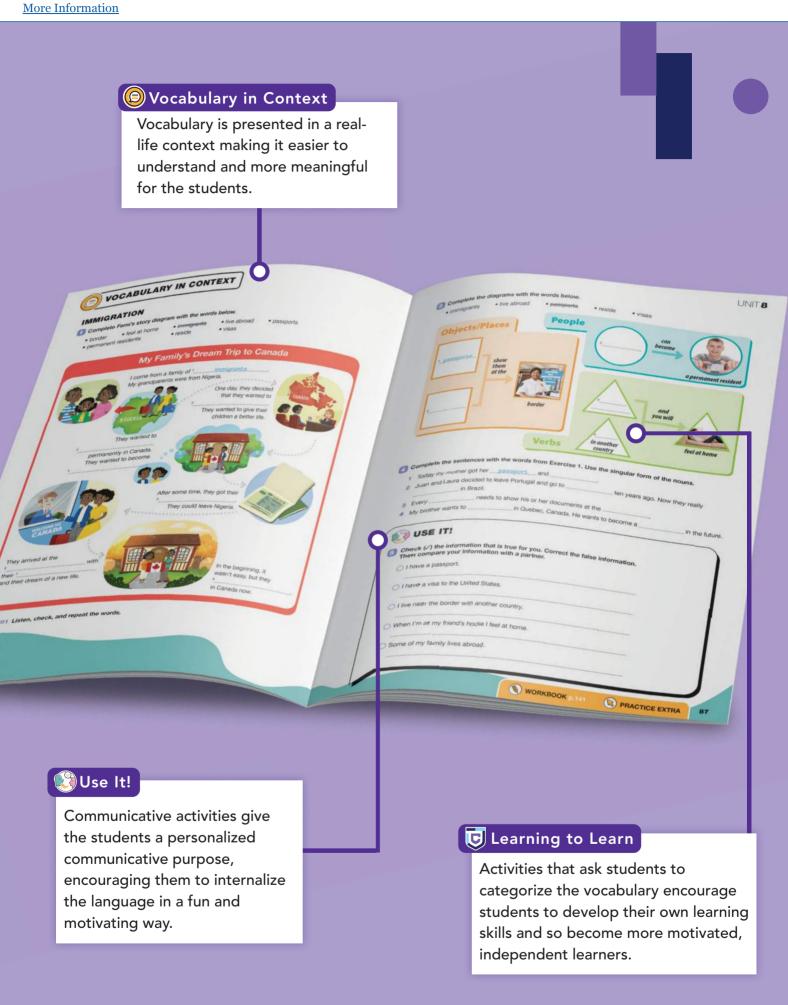


Opener Video

The opener documentary video provides a fun and engaging introduction the unit topic.

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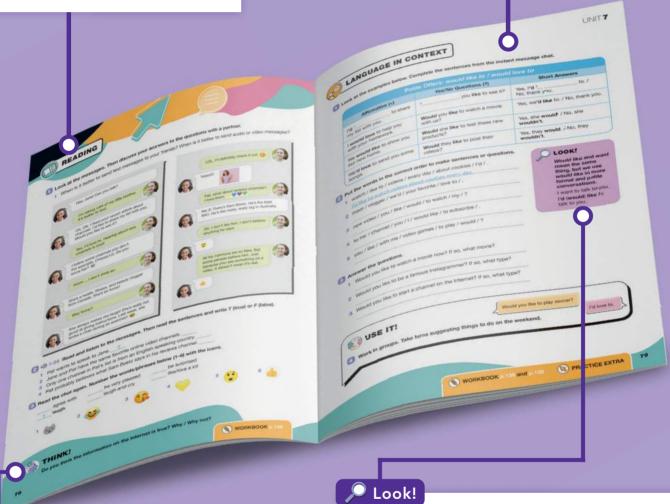


Real-Life Genres

Texts in a range of different genres present the language in a realistic context. Up-to-date and authentic global topics motivate students to read and learn more.

Grammar Chart

Example sentences from the reading and listening texts presented clearly in a grammar chart allow students to easily see the target structures, and encourage them to think about the rules.



Think!

Think! questions encourage students to engage with the text in a personal way and develop their critical-thinking skills as well as their awareness of global topics.

Look! boxes help students to avoid common errors as identified by the Cambridge Learner Corpus.

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