

### Power of Content

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# **HIGH** ACHIEVERS

With no ropes or climbing equipme Alex Honnold scales the sheer rock

osemite Valley.

face of El Capitan in California's

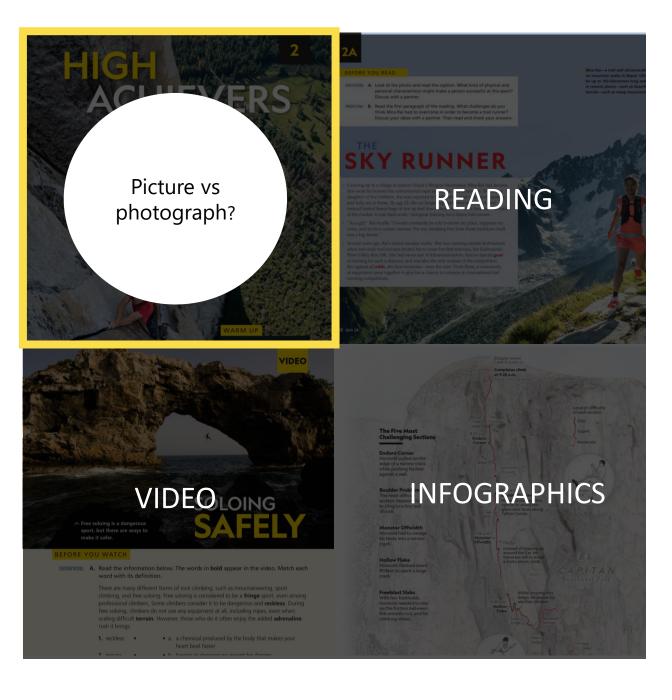
VARM UP

Discuss these questions with a partner.

 What are some sporting activities people mainly do on or near mountains?

Why are some of these activities difficult to do? BY MARK SYNNOTT 22 JANUARY 2019

## HOW ALEX HONNOLD MADE THE ULTIMATE CLIMB—WITHOUT A ROPE



## Happiness

A



B



## Work

A



B



### NGL Photo Criteria:



real world/people tell a story

arouse curiosity

evoke to capture emotion

be dramatic (eg: moment of intense reflection)

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# Activities for using photography

- **Remember** the place: landscape, buildings, city, neighborhood
- 2 Assess the moment: What is happening and what will happen next? What happened before?
- Infer the photographer's intent: What was the photographer trying to capture? What emotion did the photographer communicate? What was the photographer feeling?
- <sup>4</sup> Analyze the photo: light, composition, perspective
- 5 Write a caption
- **6** Create a dialogue or monologue or thought bubble

Choose the 'best' topic:
a) Thrill-seeking
b) Dangerous weather
c) Emergency preparedness
d) Capturing the moment

Chasing a tornado in Kansas, USA SEVERE WEATHER RESEARCH UNIT '2



Write a dialogue or thought-bubble

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NAVE MADE WATER MADE THAT

I WOX YOUR YOUR YOU

Women chat on a station platform in Winterthur, Switzerland.

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### Write a title



### **Unit 9** Vacations



vacations?

### FEATURES

106 Vacation stories Do you have an interesting vacation story?

108 A different kind of vacation

> Interview with an adventure travel tour guide

#### 110 Two sides of Paris

Two different views of the famous European city

### 114 Living in Venice

A video about daily life in this famous city

3 569 Listen again. Which accommodation and activities does each person talk about? Write the number of the speaker (1-3) next to the words they use. One type of accommodation is mentioned by two speakers.

2 Nork in pairs. Listen to Zoltan and two other people talking. What is similar about their working life and their

bed and breakfast \_\_\_\_ hotel. tent\_

sightseeing \_\_\_\_\_ hiking \_\_\_ camping \_\_\_\_\_ diving \_\_\_\_\_

- 4 Work in pairs. Discuss these questions about your vacations.
- 1 When was your last vacation?
- 2 Where did you go?
- 3 What type of accommodation did you stay in?
- 4 What activities did you do?
- 5 What do you think makes a good vacation?

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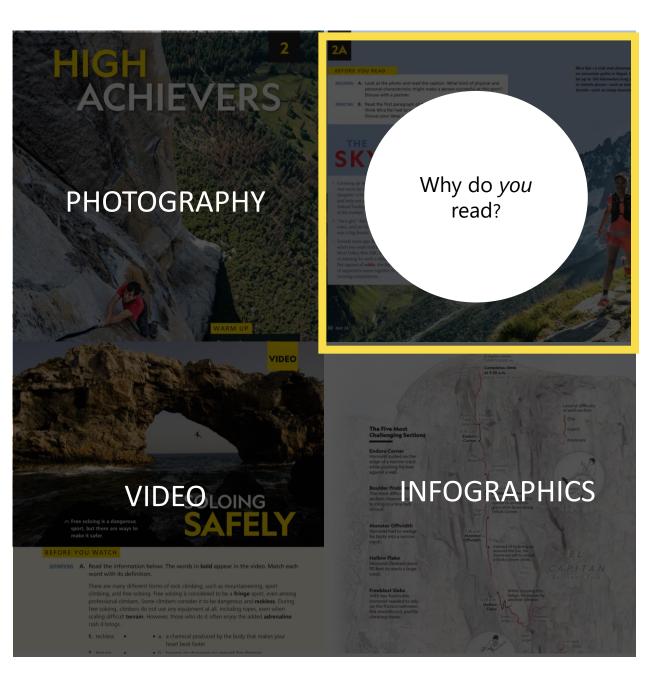
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# Photographs + pedagogy

- draw learners in and engage them emotionally
- support understanding of a text and make it memorable
- provoke debate
- stimulate critical thinking by asking you to examine detail or think about what is *not* shown
- help learners to remember a lexical set
- help to teach functional language
- lend themselves to the practice of a specific grammar point



## Motivation + Purpose

 <u>Motivation</u> and interest are crucial in supporting student success with challenging, informative activities that support success and which help the student <u>learn</u> complex skills (Grabe & Stoller, 1997).

> Grabe, W., & Stoller, F. (1997). Reading and Vocabulary Development in a Second Language: A Case Study. In J. Coady, & T. Huckin (Eds.), Second Language Vocabulary Acquisition (pp. 98-122). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

# lying

B To find out more about lying habits, Ariely developed a series of studies known as the Matrix Experiments. In the experiments, volunteers completed a test with 20 simple math problems. They were given five minutes to solve as many as they could. For each correct answer, they were told they would receive a **sum** of money. When the time was up, the volunteers counted the number of problems they solved correctly. They were then asked to destroy their answer sheets in a shredder.<sup>1</sup> After **reporting** their own test **scores**, they were paid accordingly. However, there was something the volunteers didn't know. Their answer sheets were never actually destroyed.

## THE LIMITS OF LYING

Lying is a part of human nature. But how far will people go? Psychologist Dan Ariely became interested  By comparing actual test scores to reported scores, Ariely's research team found out how many volunteers lied,

The reason, he believes, is that we want to see ourselves as **honest**, because honesty is a value taught to us by society. This is why most of us place limits on how much we lie. We may be able to come up with an **excuse** for taking Post-it Notes<sup>2</sup> from an office fairly easily. "But it is much more difficult to come up with an excuse for taking \$10,000," Ariely explains. The extent of our lying is determined largely by what is acceptable by society. "Cheating is easier," he says, "when we can **justify** our behavior."

- Was this article interesting?
- What did you learn that was new?
- Would you continue reading this article?

### Authentic, relevant, relatable content = Memorable.

#### INSIDE THE BRAIN **IDENTITY** PLAST PLAN STEALING H Abu Sir al Malag is a place about one hundred kilometers south of Cairo in Egypt. In ancient 25 places times, it was called Busiris, Busiris was one of evervt Ancient Egypt's largest cities, famous for its at a to WAR architecture and buildings. Nowadays, there is only sand and stone, with one or two small villages nearby. But the area of Abu Sir al Malag i still famous because of its history. 2 the re When you arrive at Abu Sir al Malag, you meet a 1. W lot of archeologists. These hardworking people destru WARM are here to discover more about Equpt's history It's wr Inside the old tombs, they can find pots and 35 is a mo paintings that tell us more about Ancient Egypt. descril Surprisingly, there are also soldiers with guns who three th protect the archeologists and the ancient tombs. arrive That's because robbers often come to Abu Sir al . In what ways do you Malag and try to steal things. They can sell these 40 the 16 look similar to your historical items for large amounts of money to count parents? Plastic bags are one of the collectors around the world and be biggest sources of trash in Amal Farag is one person who wants to protect contra 2. How are you different and fre the ocean. the area from robbers. She works for the now from when you 45 be solv government, and her team is desperately trying sadlywere younger? o save the ancient objects. They are moving the

The wires on Buddhist teacher and artist Dru-gu Choegyal Rinpoche's head are measuring his brain activity.



# 80%

## Improve retention without memorization:

Simplicity **U**nexpectedness Concreteness Credibility **E**motion **S**tories



STICKS

Chip Heath & Dan Heath

## **Assimilation Learning Theory:**

David Ausubel's Assimilation Learning Theory focuses on what he describes as 'Meaningful Learning'. This is a process where new information is related to an existing relevant aspect of the individual's knowledge structure.

Learning related to experiences

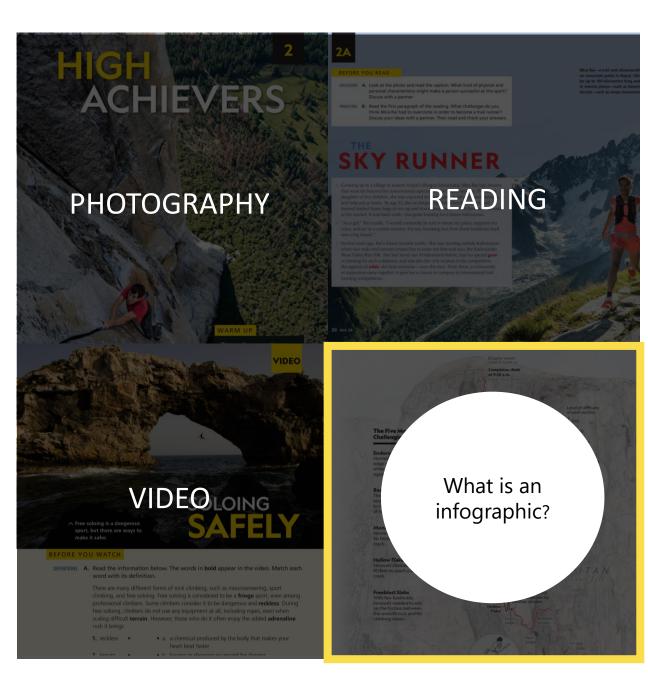
Rote memorization

# Meaningful learning has three requirements :

1 The learner's relevant prior knowledge (context)

<sup>2</sup> The teacher constructing meaningful material (content), and

3 The learner choosing to use meaningful learning (motivation)



An **infographic** is a visual presentation of data or a message quickly and right to the point. When done correctly, an infographic grabs the attention of an individual and is able to deliver a complex message visually and efficiently.

- Visual Interest
- 2 Thematically aligned
- 3 Depth and Dimension
- 4 Unique Concept
- 5 True

# SOCCER WITHOUT BORDERS

MAGAZINE | WORLD CUP 2018

# See Which World Cup Teams Have the Most Foreign-Born Players

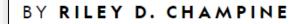
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Nigeria

Morocco

During qualification for the World Cup, many teams featured foreign-born players. Here are the connections between the national teams.



### **EXPLORE THE THEME**

### Look at the photo and read the caption and the information. Then discuss the questions.

- **1.** What are some examples of on-demand companies? Which ones have you used?
- **2.** Which industry is the largest? Which ones are just starting out?
- **3.** Why do you think on-demand companies are so popular today?

## THE ON-DEMAND ECONOMY

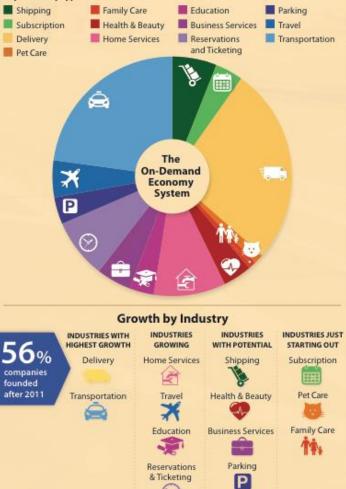
An On-Demand Company (ODC) provides services such as rides, rooms, and grocery delivery. The On-Demand Economy is the network of companies offering these quick and convenient services.

#### Key: Industry type

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**HTBikeShare** 

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A row of bicycles for on-demand rental in San Francisco, CA, U.S.A.

**Chancellor Hotel** 

- 1. How is trash in our oceans a problem? Explain.
- What does the information in the graph tell you? Which objects are worse for the environment? Explain.
- 3. Do you think people can help solve the problem of trash in our oceans? How?

## THE TRUTH ABOUT TRASH

How long until it's

gone?

Paper towel 2-4 weeks Banana peel 2-5 weeks

**Plastic bag** 

10-20 years

**Plastic bottle** 

450 years

Styrofoam cup

50+ years

Years

500

400

200

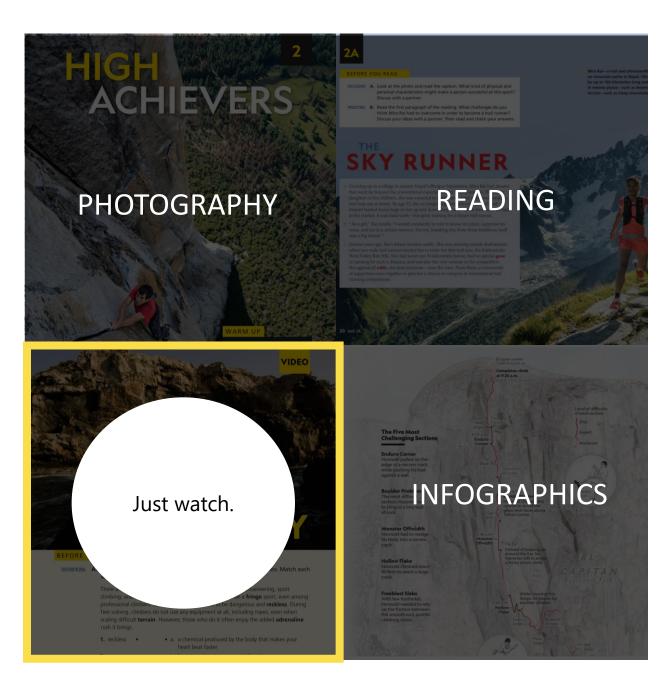
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## The Power of Interest

- We pay closer attention
- We process the information more efficiently
- We employ more effective learning strategies, such as engaging in critical thinking, and making connections between old and new knowledge

"When we're interested in a task, we work harder and persist longer"

Paul Silvia University of North Carolina



### Great content...

- Motivates learning and
- Inspires curiosity.
- Promotes communication and
- Builds community in the classroom.
- Evokes emotion,
- Increases retention of new language,
- Creates critical thinking opportunities, and
- Makes learning fun.



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### Extra slides





