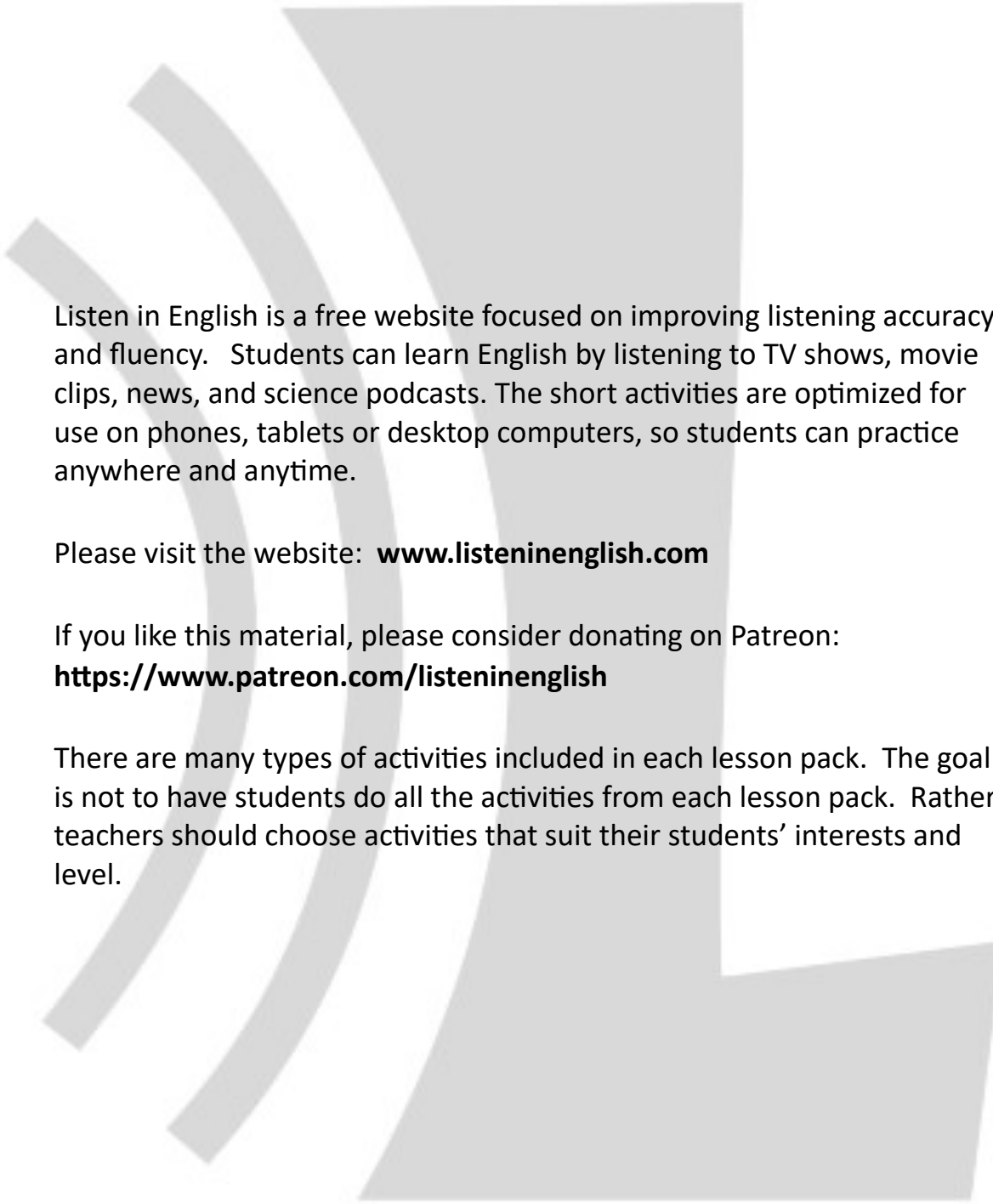


FRIENDS

Ross Has a Son (2)

LESSON PACK (COMPREHENSION – VOCABULARY – DISCUSSION – SCRIPT)



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SOURCE

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Before | PREVIEW QUESTIONS

When a woman is giving birth, should the husband be in the room? Why/Why not?

Before | LANGUAGE PREVIEW

Directions: Read the sentence and try to guess the meaning of the underlined words.

1. Right now the baby is at zero station.
2. The baby is crowning. I can see the head.
3. I bought an apartment with my life partner last month.
4. We had to cook up a new way to socialize during the pandemic.
5. Right now, my children are off doing their homework.
6. Every time I see my credit card bill, I start ripping my hair out.

Before | BACKGROUND



Ross



Phoebe



Carol



Susan

- Ross's ex-wife Carol is about to give birth.
- Susan is Carol's lesbian life partner (girlfriend).
- Ross and Susan had been arguing about what to name the baby.
- Phoebe, Ross, and Susan are locked in a closet.

During | GIST QUESTIONS

Directions: *While you watch the video, think about these questions.*

1. How do they choose the name for the baby?

After | COMPREHENSION

Directions: *After you watch the video, answer the questions with a partner.*

1. What is Carol angry about?
2. What name is on the jumpsuit that Phoebe is wearing?
3. What does Phoebe see inside the vent?
4. How do they escape the closet?
5. According to the nurse, who is allowed to stay in the room? *(two answers)*
6. Why is Ross so surprised when he sees the baby?
7. What body parts does Ross mention? *(six or seven answers)*
8. Where is Phoebe?
9. What do they name the baby? Where did the name come from?
10. Who does Phoebe think the baby looks like?

1. How many people are in the room during the delivery? Do you think this is normal? Would you want your friends to be in the room when you (or your wife) give birth?
2. When Ben asks, "*How did you choose my name?*", will that be a good story? Should they tell him the truth?
3. Is there a good story behind your name? How about your children's name? How did you choose their names?
4. What are the pros and cons of natural child birth vs. surgery (caesarian section)? Which would/will/did you choose? Why?
5. In your opinion, what is the husband's or life-partner's job (role) during childbirth? What should she/he do? What should she/he not do? Is it important that this person be in the room during the birth?
6. How many children do you want to have? Would you rather have a boy or a girl? Why?
7. Do you think it is easier to raise a boy or a girl? Why?

Carol: Where are they?
Monica: I'm sure they'll be here soon.
Rachel: Yeah, honey, they wouldn't miss this.
Joey: Relax. You're only at nine centimeters. And the baby's at zero station.
Chandler: You are really frightening me.
Chandler: (Does) somebody want to help me. (She's) trying to rip out my heart. Uh, that's great. Anybody seen a nipple?
Doctor: All right, ten centimeters, here we go.
Nurse: All right honey, time to start pushing.
Carol: But they're not here yet!
Doctor: I'm sorry, I can't tell the baby to wait for them.
Carol: Oh, god.

Ross: Ok, I got the vent open.
Phoebe: Hi, I'm Ben. I'm hospital worker Ben. It's Ben to the rescue!
Ross: Ben, you ready? All right, give me your foot. Ok, on three, Ben. One, two, three. Ok, that's it, Ben.
Susan: What do you see?
Phoebe: Well, Susan, I see what appears to be a dark vent. Wait. Yes, it is in fact a dark vent.
Ross: Phoebs, It's open! It's open!
Janitor: Wait! You forgot your legs!

All: Push, push!
Ross: We're here!
Carol: Where have you been?
Ross: Long story, honey.
Doctor: All right, Carol, I need you to keep pushing. I need... Excuse me, could I have this?
Nurse: All right, all right, there's a few too many people in this room, and there's about to be one more, so anybody who's not an ex-husband or a lesbian life partner, out you go!
All: Good luck, you guys! Good luck!
Chandler: Let me ask you, do you have to be Carol's lesbian life partner?

Nurse: Out!

Doctor: All right, he's crowning. Here he comes.

Ross: Let me see, I gotta see, I gotta see. Oh, a head. Oh, it's, it's huge. Carol, how are you doing this?

Carol: Not helping!

Doctor: You're doing great. You're doing fine.

Ross: Hello! Oh, sorry.

Susan: What do you see? What do you see?

Ross: We got a head, we got shoulders, we got arms, we got, oh, look at the little fingers, oh, and a chest, and a stomach. It's a boy, definitely a boy! All right!

Phoebe: You guys, he's beautiful!

Ross: Oh, thanks, Pheebs!

Susan: No shouting, but we still need a name for this little guy.

Ross: How about Ben?

Susan: I like Ben.

Carol: Ben. Ben. Ben's good. How come you never mentioned Ben before?

Ross: We just cooked it up.

Susan: That's what we were off doing.

Monica: Hi.

Ross: Hey.

Monica: Can we come in?

Ross: I know, I know. Everybody, there's someone I'd like you to meet. Yeah. This is Ben. Ben, this is everybody.

Phoebe: Susan, he looks just like you.

Susan: Thanks.

Directions: Write sentences about the video clip using the words given. You can change the word form or add words, but you cannot change the word order. Use a present time frame.

E.g. Carol / upset / because / Ross / Susan / not / deliver / room

Carol is upset because Ross and Susan are not in the delivery room.

1. Carol / grab / Chandler / chest / because / she / so / pain

2. Phoebe / put / janitor / jumpsuit

3. Ross / open / vent / mop

4. Phoebe / start / call / self / Ben / because / nametag / jumpsuit

5. Ross / lift / Phoebe / up / vent

6. Ross / Susan / leave / closet / after / janitor / open / door

7. nurse / kick / everyone / room / except / Ross / Susan

8. Ross / shock / because / baby / head / so / big

9. Ross / shock / size / baby / head

10. Ross / tell / everyone / baby / boy

11. Ross / introduce / son / Ben / friend

COMPREHENSION

1. Ross and Susan are not in the room.
2. Ben
3. Darkness
4. A janitor opens the door.
5. Ex-husbands, lesbian life partners
6. He is so big.
7. A head, shoulders, arms, fingers, a chest, a stomach, a boy part
8. In the vent
9. Ben
10. Susan

SUMMARY

1. Carol grabs Chandler's chest because she is in so much pain.
Carol grabs Chandler by the chest because she is in so much pain.
2. Phoebe puts on a janitor's jumpsuit.
3. Ross opens the vent with a mop.
4. Phoebe starts [calling/to call] herself Ben because of the nametag on [the/her] jumpsuit.
5. Ross lifts Phoebe up [into/to] the vent.
6. Ross and Susan leave the closet after a janitor opens the door.
7. The nurse kicks everyone out of the room except (for) Ross and Susan.
8. Ross is shocked because the baby's head is so big.
9. Ross is shocked by the size of the baby's head.
10. Ross tells everyone (that) the baby is a boy.
11. Ross introduces his son Ben to his friends.