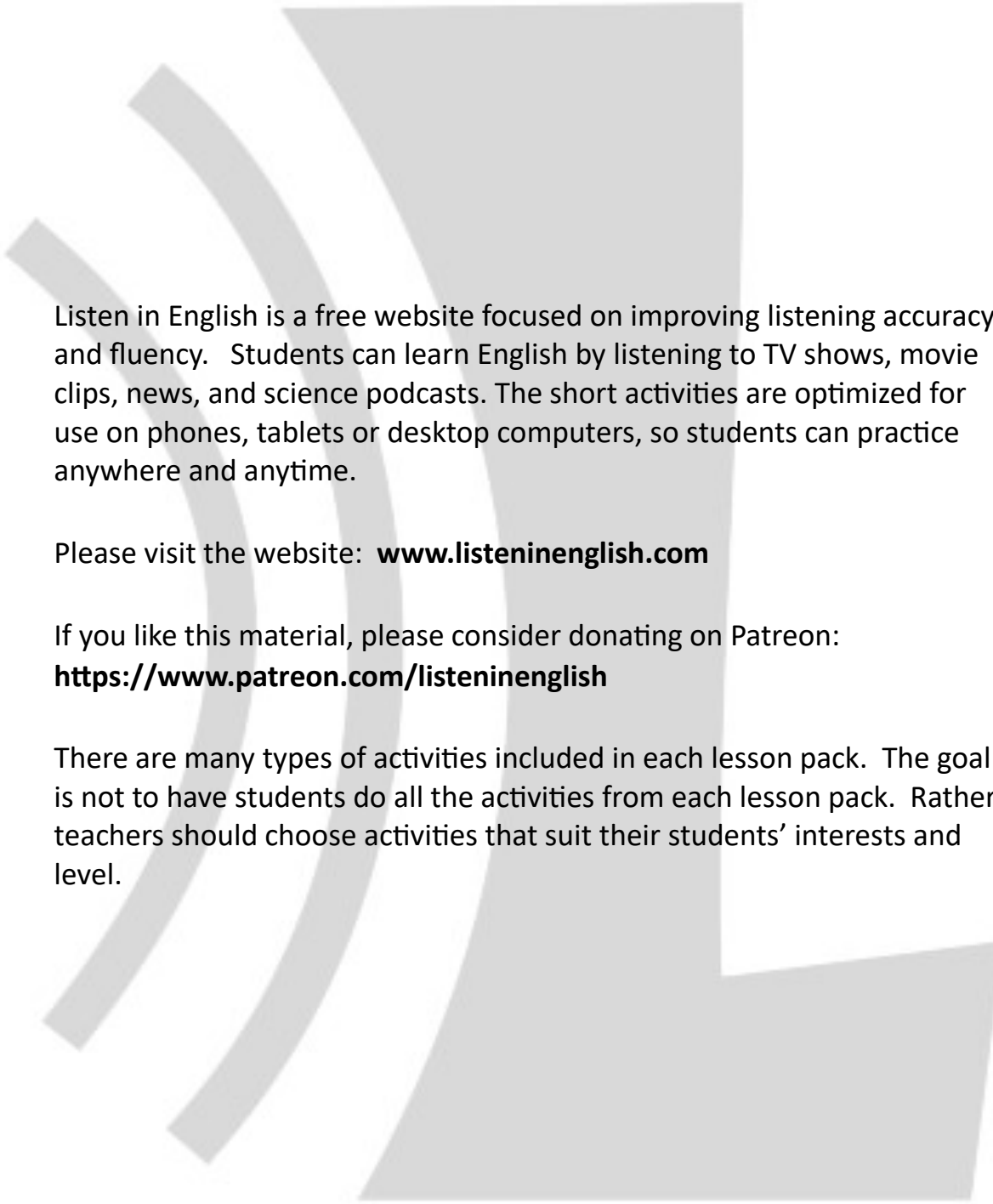


FRIENDS

Ross's Skin Issue

LESSON PACK (COMPREHENSION – VOCABULARY – DISCUSSION – SCRIPT)



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SOURCE

The video is available at:

<https://www.listeninenglish.com/ve090-friends-rosss-skin-issue.php>

Before | PREVIEW QUESTIONS

What are some common skin problems that people visit a clinic or hospital to get examined?

Before | LANGUAGE PREVIEW

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

1. Can you tell me what is on the back of my neck? I am not sure because it is not visibly accessible.
2. The doctor wasn't sure if the abnormality on Chandler's chest was a pimple, a mole, or a third nipple.
3. Ross wasn't worried because the doctor said his mole was benign.
4. The spot on Joey's chest was not run-of-the-mill. In fact, it was very unusual.
5. The doctor didn't know what the thing on Ross's arm was. He was stumped.
6. He asked the doctor to lop off his mole, but the doctor was reluctant because he didn't know what it was.

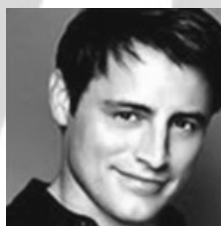
Before | BACKGROUND



Ross



Chandler



Joey

- Joey, Ross, and Chandler are best friends.
- They live in New York City.

During | GIST QUESTIONS

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

1. What is Ross's problem?
2. What advice do his friends give him?

After | COMPREHENSION

Directions: *After you watch the video, decide if each of these statements is true or false.*

1. **T / F** Ross was at work when he first noticed his skin problem.
2. **T / F** Ross can't see his skin problem, so he asks Joey and Chandler to look at it.
3. **T / F** Chandler and Joey say that Ross's skin abnormality is ugly and disgusting.
4. **T / F** The doctor told Ross that his skin abnormality was not dangerous.
5. **T / F** Ross's doctor doesn't want to cut it off.
6. **T / F** Chandler used to have a similar skin problem.
7. **T / F** Joey thinks people might call Ross's skin problem "The Ross" in the future.
8. **T / F** The doctor has never seen Ross's skin problem before.
9. **T / F** The doctor started practicing medicine three years ago.
10. **T / F** Ross has lunch plans later that day.

1. *What do you think Ross has on his butt?*
2. *In what ways was this video realistic? In what ways was it unrealistic?*
3. *Who in your life (friends/family) would you trust to look at something strange on your body?*
4. *Have you ever had something removed from your body?*
5. *Are you nervous when you visit a doctor? How about a dentist? Why?*
6. *Do you think that it is a good idea for patients to get a second or third opinion when they visit a doctor? Which types of diagnoses require multiple opinions? Which ones only require one opinion?*
7. *Can you explain (in English) the appearance, cause, and treatment of the following skin issues?*
 - *acne / pimples*
 - *a birthmark*
 - *a blister*
 - *hives*
 - *liver spots*
 - *a mole*
 - *a scar*
 - *a skin tag*

Directions: Watch the video again and fill in the missing language.

Ross: Hey.

Chandler and Joey: Hey.

Ross: Listen, I need a favor. Umm, I was in the shower, and as I was cleansing myself, I, well, I felt something.

Chandler: Was it like a sneeze only better?

Ross: No, no, I mean, I mean a thing on my body.

Joey: What was it?

Ross: Well, I don't know, it's kind of in a place that's not... It's not **1)** _____
_____ to me, and I was hoping maybe you guys could help me out.

Chandler and Joey: Whoa!!!

Chandler: No!!

Ross: Come on you guys, it's no big deal.

Chandler: Whoa-heeeiiiiii-iiii-ah!! Huh.

Ross: Well, what is it? Is it **2)** _____?

Joey: No, it's too wrinkly to be **2)** _____.

Ross: Well, eww. What? Is it **3)** _____?

Chandler: No, it's... fancier than **3)** _____. Look Ross, why don't you just go see a...

Rachel: Hey guys! What's...

Chandler: Okay, well, it's definite: two more weeks of winter.

Joey: Yeah, right.

Joey: Well?!

Chandler: Okay, how'd it go at the doctor's?

Ross: Well, he said there's definitely nothing to worry about. It's totally **4)** _____.

Joey: Well what is it?!

Ross: He couldn't even tell me! He said it was just some sort of skin **5)** _____. And the worst thing is he said, he said, without being able to identify it, he was **6)** _____ to remove it.

Chandler: Y'know what? You should go to my guy because when I went in there with my third nipple, he just **7)** _____. Y'know? So I guess I'm lucky. I mean not as lucky as people who were born with two nipples.

Ross: At least they knew what yours was. Y'know, yours had a name.

Joey: Oh! Maybe they'll name yours after you! Y'know, they'll call it "the Ross". And then people would be like, "Aww, he's got a Ross."

Ross: Yeah, that'd be cool!

Ross: That's all it is, a third nipple. Y'know? Just your **8)** _____ third nipple. Y'know? You can take it off. Just slice that baby right off.

Dr. Rhodes: Take your shirt off, and let's see what we're dealing with here. What are you doing?

Ross: Just showing you my **8)** _____-slice-it-right-off third nipple.

Dr. Rhodes: Well that's not a third nipple.

Ross: No?

Dr. Rhodes: First of all, it's on your ass.

Ross: Well then, what is it?!

Dr. Rhodes: Wait a minute, hold it. Johnson! Will you come in here a moment?

Dr. Johnson: I'm with Hamilton!

Dr. Rhodes: He's good with weird things. Bring him in too.

Ross: Y'know I have dinner plans!!

Dr. Rhodes: Thank you so much for coming on such a short notice. Ladies and gentlemen, I've been practicing medicine for twenty-three years, and I'm **9)** _____.

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. Ross / ask / Joey / Chandler / favor

Ross asks Joey and Chandler for a favor.

1. Ross / find / something / strange / body / while / he / shower **(use past)**
2. Ross / ask / Joey / Chandler / look / it / because / it / place / not / visual / accessible
3. Chandler / Joey / not / know / what / it
4. Joey / think / it / too / wrinkle / mole / and / Chandler / think / it / too / fancy / pimple
5. Ross / go / doctor / but / doctor / not / know / what / it / either **(use past)**
6. doctor / tell / Ross / skin / abnormality / benign **(use past)**
7. Chandler / recommend / Ross / see / his / doctor
8. Ross / tell / doctor / he / has / third / nipple / and / ask / doctor / slice
9. doctor / call / some / colleague / examination / room / look / Ross / skin / abnormality
10. all / doctor / amaze / Ross / skin / abnormality

COMPREHENSION

1. F 2. T 3. F 4. T 5. T 6. F 7. T 8. T 9. F 10. F

SCRIPT

1) visually accessible 2) a mole 3) a pimple 4) benign 5) abnormality 6) reluctant 7) lopped it right off
8) run-of-the-mill 9) stumped

SUMMARY

1. Ross found something strange on his body while he was showering.
Ross found something strange on his body while he was taking a shower.
Ross found something strange on his body while he was in the shower.
2. Ross asks Joey and Chandler to look at it because it is in a place that is not visually accessible.
3. Chandler and Joey don't know what it is.
4. Joey thinks (that) it is too wrinkly to be a mole, and Chandler thinks (that) it is too fancy to be a pimple.
5. Ross went to a doctor, but the doctor didn't know what it was either.
6. The doctor told Ross (that) [the/his] skin abnormality [is/was] benign.
7. Chandler recommends (that) Ross (should) see his doctor.
8. Ross tells the doctor (that) he has a third nipple and asks the doctor to slice it off.
9. The doctor calls some of his colleagues into the examination room to look at Ross's skin abnormality.
10. All of the doctors are amazed [by/at] Ross's skin abnormality.