

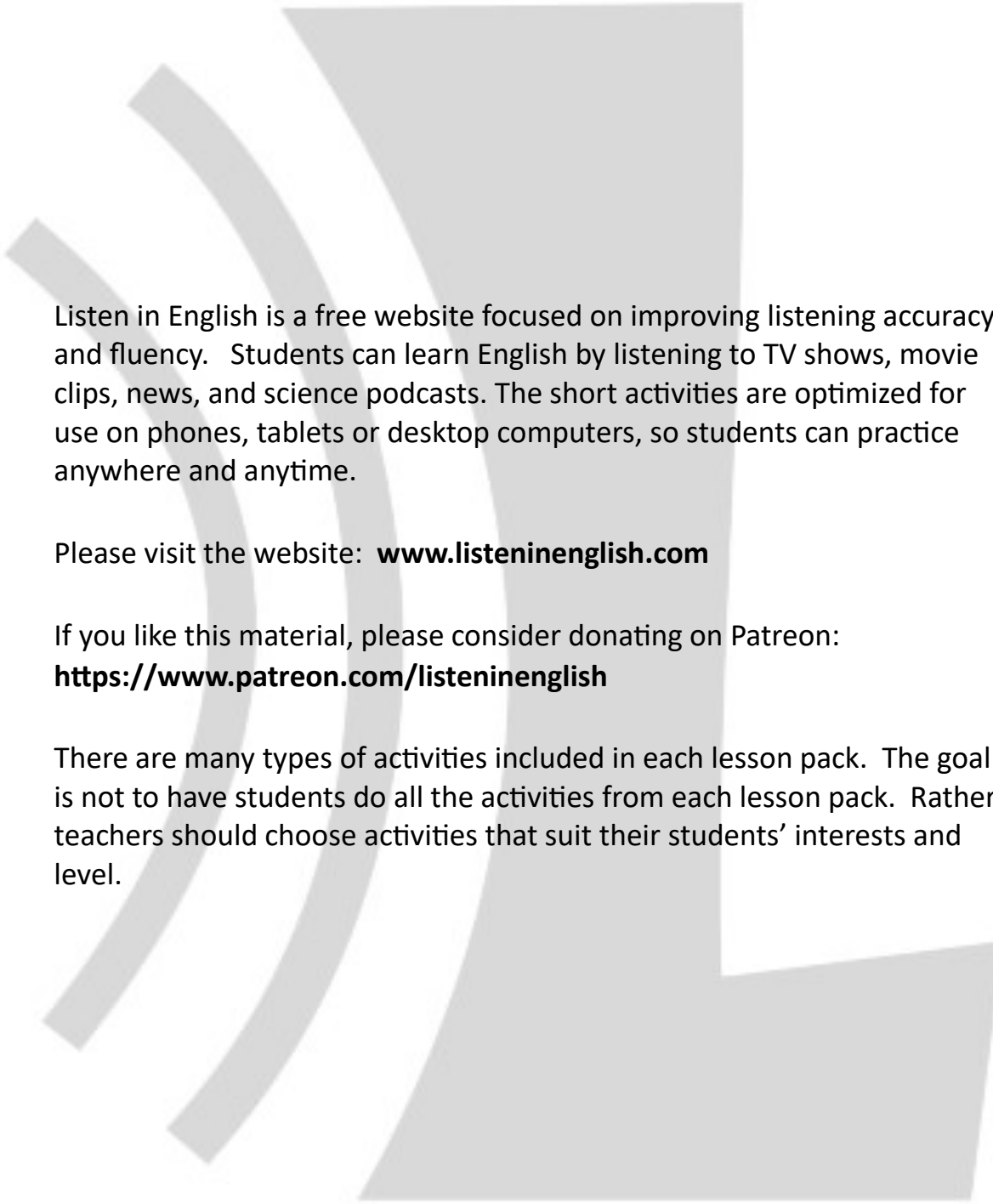
HARRY POTTER

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# *No such thing as magic*

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LESSON PACK (COMPREHENSION – VOCABULARY – DISCUSSION – SCRIPT)



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## SOURCE

The video is available at:

<https://www.listeninenglish.com/ve079-harry-potter-no-such-thing-as-magic.php>

## Before | PREVIEW QUESTIONS

1. How many of the Harry Potter movies have you seen? Books have you read?
2. What do you know or remember about Harry Potter's life before he went to Hogwarts?

## Before | LANGUAGE PREVIEW

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

1. What would you like for dinner, pumpkin?
2. I want you on your best behavior today. No funny business!
3. These days, most animals in zoos are bread in captivity.
4. There is no such thing as Santa Clause or the Easter Bunny.
5. I will be at class on time tomorrow. I swear.

## Before | BACKGROUND



Harry



Uncle Vernon



Aunt Petunia



Dudley

- Harry is an orphan. (His parents are dead.)
- He lives with his Uncle Vernon and Aunt Petunia.
- Dudley is their son (Harry's cousin).

## During | GIST QUESTIONS

**Directions:** *While you watch the video, think about this question.*

1. What are (at least) three terrible things about Harry's life?

## After | COMPREHENSION

**Directions:** *After you watch the video, answer these questions.*

1. Where is the family planning to go?
2. Who is celebrating a birthday?
3. What does Aunt Petunia tell Harry to do?
4. What does Uncle Vernon tell Harry to do?
5. Why is Dudley upset?
6. What does Aunt Petunia say she will do for Dudley to make him feel better?
7. What punishment does Vernon say he will give to Harry?
8. Why do they bang on the glass?
9. How many times has Harry talked to a snake before?
10. Where did the snake probably grow up?
11. Why does the snake thank Harry?
12. What does Vernon say about magic?

## After | LANGUAGE REVIEW (imperatives)

**Directions:** Circle the expression that best fits each sentence.

1. Up. ( **Get up!** / **You get up!** ) Now!
2. ( **Wake up** / **You wake up** ), cousin! We're going to the zoo!
3. Why don't ( **just cook** / **you just cook** ) the breakfast, and try not to burn anything.
4. ( **Hurry up!** / **You hurry up!** ) ( **Bring** / **You bring** ) my coffee, boy!
5. I am warning you now, boy. Any funny business, and ( **not have** / **you won't have** ) any meals for a week.
6. ( **Make** / **You make** ) it move. ( **Move!** / **You move!** )
7. ( **Are** / **You are** ) from Burma, aren't you? Was it nice there? Do ( **miss** / **you miss** ) your family?
8. Mummy, dad, ( **come** / **you come** ) here! ( **Won't believe** / **You won't believe** ) what this snake is doing!!

## After | DISCUSSION

1. In your opinion, which of the three people treats Harry the worst? In what ways?
2. How are the lives of Harry and the snake similar?
3. How do you think Uncle Vernon will punish Harry?
4. Do you know any "spoiled" children like Dudley? Describe him or her.
5. Harry can talk to snakes. What animal would you like to be able to talk to? Why?

Petunia: Up. Get up. Now!

Dudley: Wake up, cousin! We're going to the zoo!

Petunia: Oh, here he comes, the **1)** \_\_\_\_\_ !

Vernon: Happy birthday, son.

Petunia: Why don't you just cook the breakfast, and try **2)** \_\_\_\_\_ anything.

Harry: Yes, Aunt Petunia.

Petunia: I want everything to be perfect for my Dudley's special day.

Vernon: Hurry up! Bring my coffee, boy!

Harry: Yes, Uncle Vernon.

Dudley: How many are there?

Vernon: Thirty-six. Counted 'em myself.

Dudley: Thirty-six?! But last year last year I got thirty-seven!!

Vernon: Yes, well, some of them are quite a bit bigger than last year!

Dudley: I don't care how big they are!

Petunia: Oh, now, now, now. This is what we're going to do, is that when we go out we're going to buy you two new presents! How's that, **3)** \_\_\_\_\_ ?

Vernon: I'm warning you now, boy. Any **4)** \_\_\_\_\_ , any at all, and you won't have any meals for a week. Get in.

Dudley: Make it move.

Vernon: Move!

Dudley: MOVE!

Harry: He's asleep!

Dudley: He's boring.

Harry: Sorry about him. He doesn't understand what it's like, lying there day after day, watching people press their ugly faces in on you.

Harry: Can you hear me? It's just I've never talked to a snake before. Do you...I mean...do you talk to people often. You're from Burma, 5) \_\_\_\_\_? Was it nice there? Do you miss your family?

Sign: Bred in Captivity

Harry: I see. That's me as well. I never knew my parents, either.

Dudley: Mummy, dad, come here! You won't believe what this snake is doing!!

Dudley: Whoa! Ahh! Ahh!!

Snake: Thanksssssss.

Harry: Anytime.

Man: SNAKE!

Dudley: Mum, mummy!

Dudley: Mum, help! Help me!

Petunia: My darling boy! How did you get in there?!

Petunia: How did you get in there? Dursley, oh, Dursley!

Petunia: It's all right. It's all right.

Harry: Ow!

Vernon: What happened?

Harry: I 6) \_\_\_\_\_ I don't know! One minute the glass was there and then it was gone! It was like magic!

Vernon: 7) \_\_\_\_\_ magic!

### COMPREHENSION

1. Where is the family planning to go? **To the zoo**
2. Who is celebrating a birthday? **Dudley**
3. What does Aunt Petunia tell Harry to do? **To make breakfast** **Not to burn anything**
4. What does Uncle Vernon tell Harry to do? **To bring some coffee** **To move faster**
5. Why is Dudley upset? **He received fewer birthday gifts this year than last year.**
6. What does Aunt Petunia say she will do for Dudley to make him feel better? **Buy two more gifts**
7. What punishment does Vernon say he will give to Harry? **No meals for a week**
8. Why do they bang on the glass? **They want the snake to move.**
9. How many times has Harry talked to a snake before? **Never**
10. Where did the snake probably grow up? **In captivity (In a zoo)**
11. Why does the snake thank Harry? **Harry released him from his cage.**
12. What does Vernon say about magic? **It doesn't exist.**

### LANGUAGE REVIEW

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### SCRIPT

1. birthday boy
2. not to burn
3. pumpkin
4. funny business
5. aren't you
6. swear
7. There's no such thing as