

MODERN FAMILY

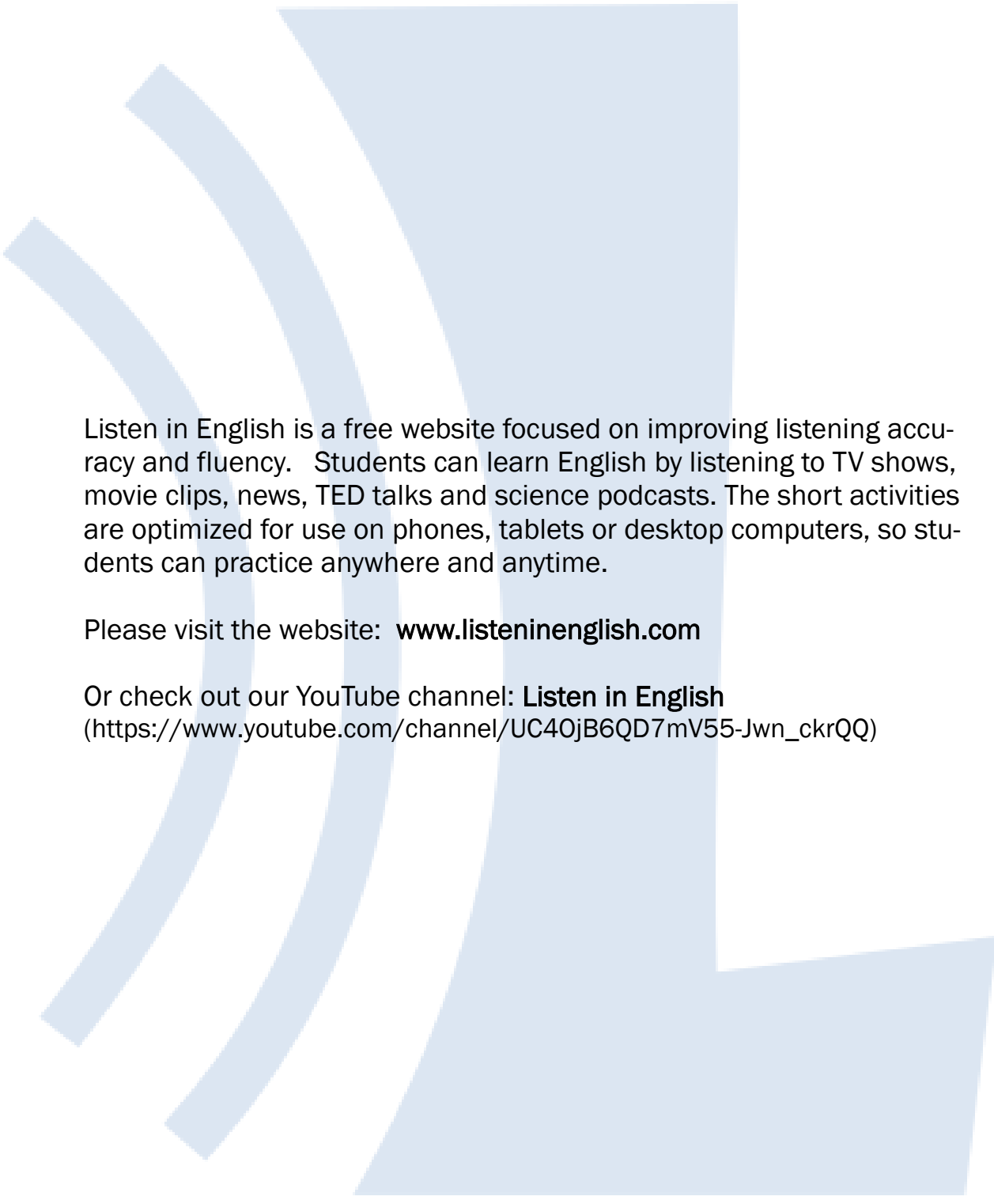
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# ***FIGHTING***

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TEACHER'S PACK (COMPREHENSION – VOCABULARY – DISCUSSION – SCRIPT)



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## SOURCE

The video is available at:

- ◆ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GS28\\_Bhfols](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GS28_Bhfols)
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## Before | PREVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Who do you like most in your extended family? Who do you like least in your extended family?

## Before | LANGUAGE PREVIEW

1. What is a nephew? A niece?
2. What is a stepfather? A stepson?
3. What is a mother-in-law? A daughter-in-law?
4. What is a great grandmother? A great grandson?

## Before | BACKGROUND



Jay



Gloria



Claire



Phil



Luke



Manny

- ◆ All of these people are related to each other in some way.
- ◆ Manny was fighting with Luke at school and both were called down to the principal's office to be disciplined.

## During | GIST QUESTIONS

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

1. What were Luke and Manny fighting about?
2. Why did Gloria get angry?

**Directions:** Retell the story using the pictures to help you.

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## After| COMPREHENSION

1. Why does Claire have to go to the school?
2. Whose biological father is not at the meeting?
3. Why was Luke angry at Manny?
4. Why did they come to Jay's house?
5. How does Phil want to fix the problem between Luke and Manny? How does Jay want to fix the problem between Luke and Manny?
6. Why does Phil want Claire and Gloria to talk to each other?
7. Why does Gloria think that Claire doesn't like her?
8. Why did Luke make fun of Manny? Why did Manny make fun of Luke?
9. What does Luke think that Claire called Gloria?
10. What did Claire actually call Gloria?

## After| LANGUAGE REVIEW

1. What is the relationship between Phil and Claire? (*husband and wife*)
2. What is the relationship between Jay and Phil?
3. What is the relationship between Jay and Claire?
4. What is the relationship between Jay and Gloria?
5. What is the relationship between Jay and Luke?
6. What is the relationship between Jay and Manny?
7. What is the relationship between Phil and Luke?
8. What is the relationship between Claire and Gloria?
9. What is the relationship between Claire and Manny?
10. What is the relationship between Luke and Manny?

## After| DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Which relationship in this family is the strangest for you? Why?
2. Do you think Manny is being rude or disrespectful to Luke? Do you think Luke is overreacting? Why?
3. Did you ever get in any fights in school? What were you fighting about? Did you win or lose?
4. Were you a troublemaker in school? Did your parents ever get called into school to talk to the principle?
5. Compare Phil's parenting style to Jay's parenting style? Which do you prefer? Which is most similar to your father's parenting style?
6. What things did people make fun of you for when you were in middle school? High school?
7. Why do you think Gloria married Jay? Do you think she is a gold-digger?
8. If you have a big argument with a friend, how do you patch things up? How about with your boyfriend or girlfriend? Your parents?

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

Claire: No problem. We'll be right down. Thanks.  
Phil: Hey, honey. What's up?  
Claire: The school just called. Luke got in a fight.  
Phil: Oh, geez. Is he okay?  
Claire: Yeah, he's fine, but they want us to come down there. Where are you?  
Phil: I'm showing a house.  
Claire: What house?  
Phil: I'm golfing.

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Claire: What are you doing here?  
Jay: 1) \_\_\_\_\_ were fighting.  
Claire: What?!  
Phil: Could have been worse. I was not ready to face Durkas today.  
Claire: So, what happened?  
Principal: Well. Apparently, there was some 2) \_\_\_\_\_ on the playground. By the time a teacher separated them, Luke was sitting on Manny's chest.  
Jay: Luke, that's not like you.  
Principal: Wait a minute. You're Luke's father?  
Jay: Grandfather.  
Principal: So Manny's father is...  
Gloria: Javier. Crazy guy. That's where he gets his fire.  
Principal: Okay, you're...  
Claire: He's our son.  
Jay: And my grandson.  
Claire: I'm his daughter.  
Principal: So, you're...  
Manny: His uncle.  
Luke: Stop saying that, or I'll sit on your chest again!  
Claire: Wait a second. Is that what this was all about?  
Luke: He keeps calling me his nephew.  
Manny: You are my nephew!  
Luke: Shut up!  
Principal: I'm getting the sense that you're all related... somehow. It's best if you work this out at home so the boys can go back to class, okay? But we're not happy about this, boys. This is not how mature young men behave. Here's your note for Miss Passwater. Look. I wouldn't worry. They're good kids. It's just tough when one kid's a little different.

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Phil: How you doing? Hi, beautiful. Good to see you.

Claire: Let me guess. Game's on?

Phil: Just started.

Phil: For you. It's nice to see you, Gloria.

Gloria: Two times today.

Claire: She means we've seen them two times today.

Jay: Everybody, the food's in there, the drinks are in there, I'll be in here.

Phil: Hold on, Jay. I think we should 3) \_\_\_\_\_ . Luke. Manny. Bring it in. Come on. Huddle up. Football. Now, in light of what happened at school today, if you have any feelings you'd like to express, I think this is the proper forum.

Phil: For God's sake. All right, both of you. Now, in this family, do we kick and punch each other, or do we love each other?

Boys: Love each other.

Phil: That's right. I'll be in the den.

Claire: I brought dessert.

Gloria: Ok. Thank you. I make pie, too.

Claire: You can never have too many pies, right?

Phil: Ok. Whoa! Whoa! Everybody, take a deep breath. Let's think about getting real.

Claire: Phil, no.

Gloria: Why "Phil, no"? What is Phil doing?

Phil: I'm just gonna say it... there's tension between you two. Bam! It's out there.

Claire: I'm gonna kill you.

Gloria: I think he's right. And I think we should talk about it.

Phil: That's what I'm talkin' 'bout... you two talking... 'bout it.

Gloria: Okay, the truth? I sometimes feel like you don't like me.

Phil: Wow! Powerful, powerful stuff. Claire, tell us how that makes you feel.

Claire: Right now, I'm feeling a lot of anger.

Phil: No no no. Don't tell me, tell her.

Claire: Gloria, Right now I'm really angry at Phil.

Phil: Let's respect the process.

Claire: Gloria, I don't know why you think I don't like you.

Gloria: Well, sometimes when you see me, you make that face.

Claire: What face?

Gloria: Like this.

Claire: I do not make a face like that.

Mitchell: Oh my god! That is so Claire.

Claire: Mitchell!

Phil: See? She does that with everyone. It's just her face.

Gloria: No, it's not just the face. From the beginning, I feel like Manny and I are not welcome in this

family.

Claire: That is so crazy!

Gloria: No, it's not so crazy. It's how I feel.

Claire: I am sorry if you feel that way. I really am. Because from the moment I met you, I have tried to make you feel comfortable with us.

Gloria: You think it's 4) \_\_\_\_\_?

Claire: Kind... I don't know. I mean... we really love having you and Manny in our family.

Gloria: Really?

Claire: Really. So... you don't have to be so defensive.

Gloria: I do that, don't I?

Phil: I'm feeling a hug. I was thinking group hug.

Phil: There's our little roustabouts! You look like you 5) \_\_\_\_\_ pretty good, huh? We can learn so much from the children. I bet it seems kind of silly now what you were even fighting about, huh?

Luke: I 6) \_\_\_\_\_ his accent.

Gloria: What accent?

Manny: I 6) \_\_\_\_\_ him for having the same thing for lunch every day.

Luke: I 6) \_\_\_\_\_ him because his mom used to dig coal.

Gloria: What?

Manny: He said you were a 7) \_\_\_\_\_.

Phil: Okay, I think we can move on!

Gloria: Who said I was a 7) \_\_\_\_\_.?

Luke: That's what my mom told me.

Alex: What's a 7) \_\_\_\_\_.?

Phil: Sweetheart. He heard it wrong. It's 8) \_\_\_\_\_.

Hailey: I'm gonna have to call you back.

Claire: I really do not think that I remember ever saying that.

Luke: Well, you said it in the car, you said it at Christmas, you said it in the Mexican restaurant...

Claire: Okay, Mr. "Leaves his sweatshirts at school every day" suddenly remembers everything. Thank you.

Gloria: And it was 4) \_\_\_\_\_, huh?

Claire: Listen, Gloria, it was like a year ago before I knew you...

Luke: Nice going. Now my mom and my sister are fighting.



## Comprehension

1. Why does Claire have to go to the school? - **Luke got into a fight.**
2. Whose biological father is not at the meeting? - **Manny's father (Javler, crazy guy)**
3. Why was Luke angry at Manny? - **Manny called Luke his nephew.**
4. Why did they come to Jay's house? - **To watch a football game on TV.**
5. How does Phil want to fix the problem between Luke and Manny? - **A long discussion**  
How does Jay want to fix the problem between Luke and Manny? - **A short lecture and apology**
6. Why does Phil want Claire and Gloria to talk to each other? - **There is tension between them.**
7. Why does Gloria think that Claire doesn't like her? - **She makes a strange face when she sees her. She feels unwelcome in the family.**
8. Why did Luke make fun of Manny? - **He has a funny accent.**  
Why did Manny make fun of Luke? - **He eats the same thing for lunch every day.**
9. What does Luke think that Claire called Gloria? - **A coal digger**
10. What did Claire actually call Gloria? - **A gold digger**

## Language Review

1. What is the relationship between Phil and Claire? - **Husband and wife**
2. What is the relationship between Jay and Phil? - **Son-in-law and father-in-law**
3. What is the relationship between Jay and Claire? - **Father and daughter**
4. What is the relationship between Jay and Gloria? - **Husband and wife**
5. What is the relationship between Jay and Luke? - **Grandfather and grandson**
6. What is the relationship between Jay and Manny? - **Stepfather and stepson**
7. What is the relationship between Phil and Luke? - **Father and son**
8. What is the relationship between Claire and Gloria? - **Stepdaughter and stepmother**
9. What is the relationship between Claire and Manny? - **Stepsister and stepbrother**
10. What is the relationship between Luke and Manny? - **Uncle and nephew**

## Script

1. **these two knuckleheads** – *these two idiots*
2. **name calling and shoving** – *insulting and pushing*
3. **address the elephant in the room** – *talk about the problem everyone knows but is afraid to talk about*
4. **all in my head** – *just my imagination, not real*
5. **patched things up** – *became friends again, stopped fighting*
6. **made fun of** – *teased, insulted*
7. **coal digger** – *a person who digs coal (no special meaning)*
8. **gold digger** – *a person who marries someone for their money*