

1 Vocabulary Brainstorming: reading material

Based on your work with Unit 7, list as many types of reading material as you can. Here are two to get you started.

Newspapers, novels, _____, _____, _____, _____,
_____, _____, _____, _____, _____,

2 An Irish story

Put the verbs in brackets in the following text into the correct form (see the grammar explanation to Unit 7 on page 63 in the Student’s Book).

Last summer while I (stay) _____ in Ireland I (have) _____ a strange experience. I (sit) _____ on a beach listening to the sound of the sea and reading my novel when suddenly I (hear) _____ a little voice behind me. “What are you doing?” (ask) _____ the voice. I (look) _____ round and a little man who (be) _____ dressed in green and (have) _____ a beard (stand) _____ there. “Actually, I’m reading a book,” I (say) _____, because I (read) _____ my novel. “Really! Why don’t you do something useful - like fishing?” I (be) _____ amazed and as I (think) _____ what to say next, he (say) _____, “Does your book tell you what little people like me are called in Ireland?” “No, it doesn’t,” I (reply) _____. “Well, it can’t be a very good book then,” he (say) _____ with a laugh. And then after a pause, “I’m a leprechaun!”* Then he (disappear) _____ behind some grass and (leave) _____ me sitting there – unable to read my novel.



* leprechaun [ˈlɛprəkɔːn]: a little man in Irish stories believed to have magic powers (etwa: irischer Kobold)

3 Book business – but not as usual

Below is a business letter. Fill in the spaces to complete the letter (see the business letters in Unit 7 on page 68 in the Student’s Book).

Dear Sir or Madam

I would like to _____ your weekend Business English course in the English Bookshop on Saturday, 23rd August. I understand that the _____ include all meals and _____ and also the teaching material and books. I do not need _____, as I will stay with some friends.

Please could you send me more _____ of the course and a _____ of how to get to your bookshop. I am going on an important business _____ to London soon and I would like to practise small talk and negotiations.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely ...