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Violence

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One minute a day is all you need to improve your listening skills.
Focus on new words, grammar and pronunciation in this short text.
Doing the online activities, discussion, survey and writing will help.
Listen many times – enough for you to you understand everything.

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THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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Why is the world so full of violence? I think violence must be a strong part of our personality. So many of us use it to resolve a problem, or even to have fun. There's absolutely no need for it at all. Even the world's most intelligent people resort to violence. Surely the world's leaders understand using violence against another country is a good way to resolve problems. The most violent people in our world are those who order armies to kill other people. Except they don't call it violence. They call it "fighting for freedom", "fighting for peace" or some equally stupid phrase. There is also too much violence in our societies. There's domestic violence, sexual violence, street violence, violent crime... It's all over the news. Every time you turn on the TV, there's a story on violence.



LISTENING GAP FILL

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 **CORRECT THE SPELLING**

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UNJUMBLE THE WORDS

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

STUDENT VIOLENCE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about violence in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.



 **WRITING**

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Write about violence for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.



HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about violence. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about violence. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. VIOLENCE POSTER Make a poster about violence. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY VIOLENCE LESSON: Make your own English lesson on violence. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on violence. Share your findings with the class.

