Differentiating Instruction:

Tiered Lessons in Teaching Listening for EFL Students

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I. Introduction

Helping students develop strong listening skills is an important part of an EFL program, and good listening skills are a necessity in the classroom, yet it is hard for the teacher to instruct all the students in a diverse classroom. What's more, listening was once considered a passive skill, but research has proved that successful listening requires the listener's active engagement. Therefore, this series of lesson plans is designed to integrate differentiated instruction into the teaching of listening skills in order to help learners meet the challenge of listening in English and provide students with more effective listening strategies to fit their needs. It also provides a couple of practices designed to facilitate listening fluency.

The series of lesson plans is primarily designed for lower to intermediate students in senior high schools. The choice of materials is related to the academic lectures from the textbooks. The listening materials include parts of the lectures from TED Talks, the audio text from the textbook, and TV shows. The series has three separate parts, based on the flexible grouping of differentiated instruction, including "Differentiate process in listening," "Differentiate product in listening," and "Differentiate content in listening."

Based on the general principals of differentiated instruction, flexible grouping is the core idea in the series of lesson plans, which means that students will have opportunities to work individually, in pairs, or in small groups, and as a class. In addition, there will be three ways to differentiate activities in class, including content, process, and product. While students practice the listening skills, tiered activities will be incorporated into the teaching procedure.

In the teaching of listening, students should learn to complete comprehension exercises, listen for main ideas and details, build up new vocabulary, take notes while listening, understand the organization of the lecture, analyze and discuss the ideas, and evaluate and improve their notes to form a set of active listening skills. As for note-taking skills, the student will learn guided note taking which involves the use of "teacher-prepared handouts that 'guide' a student through a lecture (or text) with standard cues and prepared space in which to write the key facts, concepts, and/or relationships" (Konrad, Joseph, & Eveleigh, 2009). In other words, "Guided notes are instructor-prepared handouts that provide all students with background information and standard cues with specific spaces to write key facts, concepts, and/or relationships during the lecture" (Heward, 2009) The purpose of using guided notes is that this strategy not only meets the needs of diverse students in learning listening but also enforces the development of listening skills for EFL learners.

As for the templates of lesson plans in chapter three, all of them have been conducted and modified in the actual classroom. With an eighteen-week-teaching period, the lesson plans are organized and practical for a large-sized classroom. It is hoped that the series of lesson plans will be handy for other EFL teachers to use.

II. Literature Review

II.1 Teaching Listening

Listening can be categorized into two parts, listening as comprehension and listening as acquisition

(Richards, 2008.) This view of listening comprehension is based on the assumption that listening in second language learning is to facilitate understanding of spoken discourse. To understand how people make sense of the stream of sound we all hear, it is helpful to think about how we process the input. A useful metaphor to listening is "bottom-up vs. top-down processing," (Brown, 2006.) As for teaching listening, the proper way for EFL teachers to help students listen more effectively is to teach students about the purpose of listening. In other ways, the effective way to teach listening is to teach systematic listening skills, which includes listening for main ideas, listening for details, and listening and making inferences.

2.2 Differentiated Instruction

Ann Tomlinson came up the idea of "one size doesn't fit all" which means that all students have individual preferences, backgrounds, and needs, so one teaching method wouldn't fit the needs of all students. Therefore, to meet their needs, the instruction needs to be differentiated. According to Tomlinson (1999), differentiated instruction is a teacher's response to learner's needs which is guided by general principles of facilitating a classroom in which attention to individuals is effective. In a differentiated classroom, the teacher assumes that different students have different needs, so the teacher plans and carries out different learning teaching strategies with flexible grouping and tiered activities. In addition, three elements of the curriculum can be differentiated (content, process, and product), based on a student's readiness, interest, and learning preferences. (Tomlinson, 2005)

2.3Tiered Assignment

Tiered activities are strategies for a diverse classroom with students of mixed abilities. The teacher teaches one concept but incorporates different activities to meets the different learning needs in a group. Tasks may vary according to learning profile, readiness and interest. Tiered assignments should include different tasks for small groups, which should be equally active and engaging as well as fair in terms of work expectations, and time needed. To be short, tiered assignments and activities require the use of key concepts, skills, or ideas in thinking of the objectives of each task (Heacox, 2002). In a differentiated classroom, the teacher uses tiered activities to ensure that all students explore ideas and use skills at a level that builds on their prior knowledge. While students work tiered assignments in small groups, they all explore the same essential ideas and work at different levels of thought.

III. Designing Listening Activities with Differentiated Instruction

3.1Tips and differention options

The following are tips and differentiation options for designing listening activities.

- 1. Students should be evaluated with the pre-assessment.
- 2. Texts/videos should be presented 2 to 3 times to students, with a different task each time.
- 3. Each task could be presented 30 minutes once or twice a week to guide students familiar to the new teaching patterns.
- 4. The teacher should give directions clearly for each version of the task.
- 5. In teaching listening with differentiated instruction, flexible grouping is a must.
- 6. Video clips are highly recommended for arousing students' interest.
- 7. Double-check that every version of the activity leads students to increased competency with activity goals. If not, adjust as needed. (Tomlinson, 2009)

3.2 Lesson Plans

The following parts are my techniques for the teaching of listening, which is composed of three steps, including whole class instruction in listening strategies, differentiating the subjects in readiness by process with flexible groupings, and doing group works with tiered assignments. In brief, students received instruction and practice in listening comprehension through Differentiated Instruction for 30 minutes weekly. The syllabus (see Table 1) is based on Tomlinson's model of Differentiated Instruction (1990) and the principals of teaching listening (Brown 2006.)

3.2.1 Strategies

Each week two listening strategies will be taught with examples and exercises, using differentiated instruction. In total, students will be able to acquire 10 listening strategies under the general principles of differentiated instruction, including appropriate tasks, flexible grouping, and on-going assessments. During the instructional phase, all the students will be told to keep a weekly listening journal to jot down their growth and feedback.

• Part I: Differentiate Process in Listening

Part	Text Title	Language Focus	Differentiated Instruction
Unit1	"Magic	* Guided note-taking practice	1. Differentiate readiness
	Beans" Audio	1.Organizing notes	2. Differentiate process
	from the	2. Taking notes about story	3. Tiered assignments
	textbook	elements	4. Homogenous grouping
		3. Determining what's	
		important	
		4. Evaluating the written notes	
Unit 2	"The	* Guided note-taking practice	1. Differentiate Interest
	Fair-trade	1.Organizing notes	2. Differentiate process
	Coffee"	2. Omitting unnecessary notes	3. Tiered assignments
	Video from	3. Determining what's	4. Heterogeneous grouping
	the publisher	important	
		4. Evaluating your notes	
Unit 3	"Positive	* Comprehension Focus	1. Differentiate readiness
	Thinking &	1. Distinguishing facts &	2. Differentiate process
	Happier	opinions	3. Tiered assignments
	Lives" Audio	2. Making Predictions	4. Homogenous grouping
	from the		
	textbook		
Unit 4	"The Taj	* Comprehension Focus	1. Differentiate Interests
	Mahal: a Tear	1. Listening for Main ideas	2. Differentiate process
	Drop," Audio	2. Listening for Supporting	3. Tiered assignments
	from the	Ideas, and Details.	4. Heterogeneous grouping/
	textbook		Friendly groups
Unit 5	"The Tao"	* Language Focus	1. Differentiate readiness

Part	Text Title	Language Focus	Differentiated Instruction
	Audio from	1. Asking for clarification	2. Differentiate process
	the textbook	2. Analyzing and predicting	3. Tiered assignments
		3. Dictation practice	4. Individual work, pair
			work, work as a whole
			class, homogenous
			grouping
Unit 6	"8 Secrets to	* Language Focus	1. Differentiate Interests
	Success,"	1. Using linguistic clues	2. Differentiate process
	TED Talk	2. Organizing the messages	3. Tiered assignments
		3. Analyzing the ideas	4. Individual work, pair
			work, work as a whole
			class, Friendly grouping
Unit 7	"Looks Aren't	* Listening Comprehension	1. Differentiate readiness
	Everything,"	1.Practicing note-taking skill	2. Differentiate process
	TED Talk	2. Listening for main ideas	3. "Think-pair-share"
		3. Making inferences	activity
			4. Individual work, pair
			work, work as a whole class

● Part II: Differentiate Product in Listening

Part	Text Title	Language Focus	Differentiated Instruction	
Unit 8	"McCoffee	* Listening Comprehension	1. Differentiate interests	
	vs.	1.Practicing note-taking skill	2. Differentiate product	
	Starbucks, "	2. Listening for main ideas	3. "Choice Board" activity	
	CNN News	3. Doing compare & contrast	4. Individual work, group	
			work, work as a whole class	
Unit 9	"Looks Aren't	* Listening Comprehension	1. Differentiate learning	
	Everything,"	1. Practicing note-taking skill	preferences	
	TED Talk	2. Listening for main ideas	2. Differentiate process	
		3. Making Inferences	3. "Think-pair-share"	
			activity	
			4. Individual work, pair	
			work, work as a whole class	

• Part III: Differentiate Content in Listening

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Part	Text Title	Language Focus	Differentiated Instruction		
Unit	Tiered	* Listening Comprehension	1. Differentiate readiness		
10	Listening	1.Listening for main ideas	2. Differentiate content		
	Journal	2. Listening for details	3. Tiered assignment		
		3. Analyzing and predicting	4. Individual work		

3.2.2 Pre-assessment

The pre-assessment is used to gauge each student's listening proficiency. The assessment will investigate the students' background knowledge and their listening proficiency. In each session, students are divided into small groups, based on the results of their weekly listening quizzes and their participation in class, but each individual can choose advanced or basic worksheets themselves.

3.2.3 Flexible grouping

Under the differentiated instruction, students will be instructed through whole class discussion in the pre-listening activity, will be doing the tiered assignment in homogenous groups, and will do individual work to check their answers in the post-listening activity.

3.2.4 Materials and Resources

- (1) Audio in the Textbook: SanMin Publisher Book 4-5
- (2) Cornell notes
- (3) TED Talk
- (4) CNN News
- (5) Computer and projector
- (6) Blackboard
- (7) Student worksheet: Tiered assignments, weekly listening journals

3.2.5 Series of Lesson Plans

Unit 1 "The Magic Bean"

- (1).**Language Focus**: In this unit, students should acquire the basic skills for taking guided notes. They will learn to take notes while listening, organize notes, omit unnecessary notes, determine what's important, and then evaluate notes in discussion.
- (2).**Differentiated Instruction:** The unit will be conducted by differentiating process in readiness. Students will be divided into small groups according to their listening abilities and vocabulary level and will do similar tasks by filling in tiered assignments.

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity		
DI Strategy:	Differentiate process		
Differentiate How?	Differentiate readiness		
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period		
Objectives	1. Students will know how to listen for key words and main ideas.		
	2. Students will be able to take guided notes while listening.		
	3. Students will be able to use context to guess the meaning of new		
	vocabulary.		
Resources needed:	1. Tiered assignments		
	2. Selected audio: "The Magic Bean" from SanMin Publishing		
	3. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.		
Teacher preparation:	1. Create two versions of tiered assignments.		
	2. Ensure the fluent play of the text in the CD player.		
Explanation of activity:			
	Prior to listening to the story with the audio, students have already		
	learned new vocabulary and read the first chapter of "the Magic Bean." The		
	teacher assists students to distinguish main ideas and details from the text		
	to ensure students understand relevant concepts. Then the students are		
	divided into three groups by readiness due to their different abilities in		
	listening comprehension and their vocabulary levels.		
	Each student, or group of students, will choose a tiered assignment		
	with appropriate questions for their listening-comprehensive level. Quality		
	of work will be emphasized in teacher conferences with individual students		
	and groups. Students working on the same worksheet may be part of		
	discussion groups, but are responsible for completing their own tasks and		
	activities.		
Pre-listening			
Whole-Class	Preview new vocabulary: Work in pairs. Students look up the meaning of a		
	word in the dictionary and learn to pronounce it.		
	Predict the content of the talk: The teacher introduces the essential		
	elements of a story and guides students to guess the plot.		
While-listening			
Homogenous grouping	* Practice of Guided notes		
	1. Students are divided into homogenous groups with four members in one		
	group.		

2. The teacher introduces the concept and characteristics of the story, "the Magic Bean." 3. Students learn guidelines for taking general notes: a. Do not write down every word you hear. b. Do not write complete sentences. c. Do leave spaces for additional notes. d. Write the outline after the listening. 3. Students read aloud the following questions before they listen. 4. The teacher plays the audio for the 1st time. 5. Students listen for main idea and take notes. 6. Students analyze notes in small groups and write additional notes. 7. The teacher plays the video a 2st time. 8. Students write down supporting details and draw the outline individually. 9. Students open the textbook and check their answers individually. *For advanced students: they need to learn to take notes by following the guidelines. For slow learners: they need to learn to know how to take notes with the assistance of guided-notes. Post-listening random grouping 1. Students are randomly assigned to new groups. 2. Members of the new group check their previous answers. 3. Members of the new group check their previous answers. 4. Students discuss the answers as a whole class activity in small groups. 4. Students discuss the answers as a whole class activity. Throughout this study the teacher needs to give instructions or assistance to individual students and small groups. The teacher may find that mini-lessons are needed periodically. Based on the pre-assessment of each student's listening comprehension, the teacher may find it necessary to pre-teach some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.		
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		some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.

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(2)	While Yo	u Listen					
A. F	irst Lister	ning:					
	ctions:	_					
1. L	isten to th	ne story, take notes	, and	write your an	swers to the quest	ions.	
2. C	Compare t	he notes with a par	tner,	add additiona	I notes, and omit t	he information that	you don't need.
				The Ma	agic Bean		
Notes	s/ main id	eas			Additional notes/	supporting ideas	
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Q: What was the relationship between Omar and the princess (the conflict)?

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	A:
4~6	Q: How did Omar find the coffee bean? (the climax) A:
7-8	Q: What was the ending of this story? A:
Directions: 1. Get into ne 2. 1 st time: lis 3. 2 nd time: lis 4. 3 rd time: lis	ew group of four. ten carefully, but DO NOT take notes. Then, get into a group of four and discuss. sten and take notes. Choose a writer to write the correct answers in order. sten and confirm. I check the answer (focus on right sentence structure +correct word order)
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					(Basic)
				Class & No	Name
(1)Before Yo	ou Listen				
Directions:					
1. Please cho	oose the basic/adva	inced worksheet de	pending on your	learning accomplish	ment in English.
		ents with the same			
		ocabulary from the	textbook.		
4. Read alou	d in pairs with corr	ect pronunciation.	1		
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(2) While Y	ou Listen				
A. First List	ening				
Directions:					
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®	ork in small group	os. Compare you	r notes from th	e 1 st listening and	l take additional
notes.					
		The Ma	agic Bean		
Notes/ main id	deas		Additional note	s/ supporting ideas	
Main characte	ers:				
Outline/ Mind	Мар				
B. Second I	istening				
Directions:					
1. Using yo	ur notes, write T	for true or F for	false next to the	ne each statemen	t.
2. Work wi	th group membe	ers to <u>highlight</u> ar	nd <u>correct</u> the f	alse statements.	
1. Whi	le everyone was rel	ieved and happy th	at the princess go	ot well, the king rewa	arded Omar for his
good deeds a	nd Omar lived happ	oily ever after.			
2. Whe	en Omar was about	to lose all of his str	ength, a princess	rescued Omar and r	nade him drink a
magic liquid c	cooked by some bea	ins.			
3. Anot	ther strange epiden	nic, which caused p	eople to get head	laches and fever, qui	ickly spread in
Mocha so the	people of Mocha r	ecalled Omar and h	is extraordinary r	nedical skill.	
4. Usin	g the beans as med	icine, Omar travele	d alone and save	d a lot of people, inc	luding the people

(3)After You Listen: Dictogloss

Directions:

- 1. Get into new group of four.
- 2. 1st time: listen carefully, but DO NOT take notes. Then, get four in one group and discuss..
 3. 2nd time: listen and take notes. Choose a writer to write the correct answers in order.
- 4. 3rd time: listen and confirm.
- **6.** Share and check the answer (focus on right sentence structure +correct word order)

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Unit 2 "The Fair Trade Coffee"

- (1).**Language Focus**: In this unit, students will acquire the basic skills for taking guided notes. They will learn to take notes while listening, organize notes, omit unnecessary notes, determine what's important, and then evaluate their notes in discussion.
- (2).**Differentiated Instruction:** The unit will be conducted by differentiating process in readiness in while-listening practice. Students will be divided into three groups according to their listening abilities and vocabulary level and will do similar tasks by filling in tired assignments.

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity
Differentiate What?	Differentiate readiness
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period
Objectives	Students will know how to listen for key words and main ideas.
	2. Students will be able to take guided notes while listening.
	3. Students will be able to use context to guess the meaning of new
	vocabulary.
Resources needed:	1. Tiered assignments
	2. Selected Video: "The Fair Trade Coffee" from SanMin Publishing
	3. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.
Teacher preparation:	1. Create two versions of tiered assignments.
	2. Download the video and ensure the fluent play of the text.
Explanation of activity:	
	Prior to this video play, students have already learned the reading text
	of "the Magic Bean," describing the origin of coffee. During the reading,
	students should have about some key words in the video. Students will be
	divided into three groups by readiness.
	Each student, or group of students, will choose a tiered assignment
	with appropriate questions for their listening-comprehensive level. Quality
	of work will be emphasized in teacher conferences with individual students
	and groups. Students working on the same worksheet may be part of
	discussion groups, but are responsible for completing their own tasks and
	activities.
Pre-listening	
Whole-Class	Preview new vocabulary: Work in pairs. Students look up the meaning of a
	word in the dictionary and learn to pronounce it.
	Predict the content of the talk: The teacher introduces the key idea of "fair
	trade coffee" and guides students to guess what the video is going to show.
While-listening	
Homogenous grouping	* Practice of Guided notes
	1. Students are divided into homogenous groups with four members in each
	group.
	2. The teacher introduces the concept of "main idea" and "supporting

	details" through the written text "the Magic Bean."
	3. Students learn the guidelines for taking general notes:.
	a. Do not write down every word you hear.
	b. Do not write complete sentences.
	c. Do leave spaces for additional notes.
	d. Write the outline after the listening.
	3. Students read aloud the following questions before they listen.
	4. The teacher plays the video the 1 st time without subtitles.
	5. Students listen for the main idea and take notes.
	6. Students analyze their notes in small groups and write additional notes.
	7. The teacher plays the video a 2 nd time with English subtitles.
	8. Students write down supporting details and draw outlines individually.
	*For advances: they need to learn to take notes without support from the
	teacher, and to write a brief summary.
	For slow learners: they need to learn how to take notes with the
	assistance of guided-notes, and write a mind map or outline on their own.
Post-listening	
Interest grouping	1.Students are randomly assigned to new groups.
	2. Students read the post-listening questions and analyze the messages.
	3. The teacher plays the video a 3 rd time with both Chinese and English
	subtitles.
	4. Students analyze and evaluate the answers to the question in groups.
	5. Students discuss the answers as a whole class activity.
Teacher's role:	Throughout this study the teacher needs to give instructions or assistance to
	individual students and small groups. The teacher may find that mini-lessons
	are needed periodically. Based on the pre-assessment of each student's
	listening comprehension, the teacher may find it necessary to pre-teach
	some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.

Unit 2:The Fair Trade Coffee (三民 B4L4)

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				Class & No	Name
(1) Before	You Listen				
Directions:					
1. Choose on	e of two workshe	ets depending o	on your listening c	omprehension ability	
2. Work in pa	irs with the same	worksheet. Wr	ite the definitions	and collocations of th	ne vocabulary. Read
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(2) While	You Listen:				
A. First View	ving:				
Directions: W	atch the film, tal	ke notes, and wr	ite your outline.		
Question:					
1. What is the	ne topic about?				
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		Fair Tra	ade Coffee in Sida	ma	
Notes/ main i	deas		Additiona	notes/ supporting id	eas
Outline/ Mind	d Мар				
B. Second V	iewing:				
Questions:	icwiig.				
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1. HOW does	s the Starbucks co	ompany assist th	ie people in Sidaii	a:	
2. How do t	he neonle in Sida	ma improve the	ir lives when cons	— umers buy their fair t	rade coffee?
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C. Third Via	wing: Listen and	nut the followin	g words from the	clip in the correct ord	lor
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(3) After You Listen

Directions:

- 1. Read the questions and choose one that you favor.
- 2. Get in new groups of students with the same question and discuss the answer.
- **3.** You only need to answer ONE question.

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Unit 2:The Fair Trade Coffee (三民 B4L4)

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(1)Before You	u Listen					
Directions:						
1. Choose one o	of two workshe	eets depending on yo	our listening co	mprehen	sion ability.	
2. Work in pairs	with the same	e worksheet. Write tl	he definitions a	and colloc	cations of the	vocabulary. Read
aloud new word	ds.					
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(2)While You	Listen:					
A. First Viewir	ng:					
Directions: Wat	tch the film, ta	ke notes, and write y	our outline.			
Question:						
1.What is the to	pic about?					
Note-taking sec	tion				Additional no	otes
Mind-map draw	ring					
B. Second Vie	wing:					
Question:						
1. How does S	tarbucks assist	the people in Sidam	na?			
(3)After You	Listen					

Directions:

- 1. Read the questions and choose one that you favor.
- 2. Get in new groups with the same question and discuss the answer.
- **3.** You only need to answer ONE question.

Questions:

1. Think of three creative approaches to encourage coffee companies to buy the fair trade coffee.

	Compare the pros and cons of fair-trade coffee in your daily life.
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Unit 3: "Positive Thinking and Happier Living"

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity				
Differentiate What?	Differentiate readiness				
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process				
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period				
Objectives	Students will know how to make predictions using visual aids.				
	Students will be able to write a brief summary after listening.				
	Students will be able to analyze and predict the text.				
Resources needed:	1. Tiered assignments				
	2. Selected audio: "Positive Thinking and Happier Living" from SanMin				
	Publishing				
	3. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.				
Teacher preparation:	1. Create three versions of tiered assignments.				
	2. Ensure the fluent play of the text in the CD player.				
Explanation of activity:	Prior to the pre-listening activity, students have been introduced to				
	the essential vocabulary of the audio text. In addition, the teacher guides				
	students to do the prediction based on the prior knowledge with visual aids.				
	Then, students are divided into three groups by readiness due to their				
	different abilities in listening comprehension and vocabulary level.				
	Each student, or group of students, will choose a tiered assignment				
	with appropriate questions for their listening-comprehension level. Quality				
	of work will be emphasized in teacher conferences with individual students				
	and groups. Students working on the same worksheet may be part of				
	discussion groups, but are responsible for completing their own tasks and				
	activities.				
Pre-listening					
Whole-Class	Teach new vocabulary				
	Teach & predict the content of the talk.				
While-listening					
Homogeneous groups	* Practice of Guided notes & summary				
	1. Students are divided into homogenous groups with four members in each				
	group.				
	2. The teacher introduces the concept of prediction.				
	3. Students learn to predict what will be in a text based on their prior				
	knowledge and the illustration to the text.				
	4. The teacher plays the audio for the 1 st time.				
	5. Students listen for the main idea and take notes.				
	6. Students analyze notes in small groups and write a summary.				
	7. The teacher plays the video 2 nd time.				
	8. Students analyze the message and fill in the answers.				
	For challengers: they need to learn to write a brief summary, make				

	predictions, and learn to distinguish facts & opinions.
	For advances: they need to learn to write a brief summary, and make
	predictions.
	For slow learners: they need to learn to write a brief summary, and make
	predictions with guided clues and examples.
	9. Students open the textbook and check their answers individually.
Post-listening	
Friendly groups	1.Predicting what will happen in the text.
	2.Checking answers with friends from different groups
Teacher's role:	Throughout this study the teacher needs to give instructions or assistance to
	individual students and small groups. The teacher may find that mini-lessons
	are needed periodically. Based on the pre-assessment of each student's
	listening comprehension, the teacher may find it necessary to pre-teach
	some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.

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	Before you	ı listen				
1. C	hoose basic,	advanced, or cl	nallenging works	sheet depending o	n your listening com	prehension ability.
2. V	Vork in pairs	with the same v	worksheet. Write	e the definitions a	nd collocations of th	e vocabulary.
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	lotes			Additional detai	ls	
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V	viite a bilei	Summary				
S	econd View	ing:				
(a) Compreh	ension question	S			
С	1: Why are i	modern people	under pressure i	n the fast-paced v	vorld?	
А	\:					
C		ds of pressure d	o students have	in modern society	, ?	
C		ds of statements	are "facts" in tl	nis passage?		
C		ds of statements	s are "opinions"	in this passage?		
-		en-Shahar's opir	nion about the w	vay to arrive at hap	opiness?	

	(b) Gap fill-in questions
Dire	ections: Please fill in the blanks based on what you have heard.
1. Ir	ndeed, it seems that more and more people are beginning to feel in this fast-paced,
ir	ncreasingly competitive world.
2. A	s for adults, not only do many find it challenging toa fulfilling career, but they also have a
h	ard time striking a balance between their work and personal lives.
3.Th	ney also have many stressful to handle, such as how to communicate effectively with their
chil	dren
4.	There is little that happiness has become a burning issue for people in many different stages of
	their lives.
(3)	After you listen
Dire	ections:
1.	Please get in new groups and guess 2 tips that Tal Ben-Shahar might offer modern people to find
	happiness.
	Questions provided by Tal Ben-Shahar
	1. What do we find most meaningful?
	2. What provides us with the most pleasure?
	3. What are we good at?
2. E	xplain the reasons of your predictions.
	For example:
	I think that doing activities that give me pleasure and provide me with meaning will make me happy
	because modern people are under pressure at work.
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				Class & No	Name
(1) Before you listed Directions:	en				
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2. Work in pairs with t	he same worksh	neet. Write	the definitions an	d collocations of the	vocabulary.
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□obtain	□fulfilling	5	□situations	□academic	
2)While You Listen	:		•	,	
A. First Viewing:					
Directions: Listen to th	e audio text, tak	e notes, an	ıd write your outliı	ne.	
Question:					
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-) Students may come under pressure from their parents to reach high academic standards.

on to publish se	veral best-selling	books to teach pe	ople about happiness.	nd Ben-Shahar later went
4.() It seems t	that more and mo	re people are beg	inning to feel confined in	this modern society.
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hard time st	triking a balance b	etween their wor	k and personal lives.	
3. They also ha	ave many stressfu	l to h	nandle, such as how to cor	mmunicate effectively with
their childre	en			
4. There is littl	e that ha	appiness has beco	me a burning issue for pe	ople in many different stages of
their lives.				
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2. Wo	rk in pairs with th	he same workshee	et. Write th	e definit	ions and collocations of	f the vocabul	ary.
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2)Wł	nile You Listen:	•					
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D. Second Viewing:

(a)Comprehension questions

Write F for "Fact" and O for "opinion" in the following statements.

- 1.() More than eight hundred students from different departments there had enrolled in Tal Ben-Shahar's course, called "Positive Psychology", to explore the secret of happiness.
- 2.() Students may come under pressure from their parents to reach high academic standards.
- 3.() This course became the most popular one at Harvard that semester, and Ben-Shahar later went on to publish several best-selling books to teach people about happiness.
- 4.() It seems that more and more people are beginning to feel confined in this modern

society.	
(3)After yo	ou listen
Directions:	
2. Please go	et in groups and guess 2 tips that Tal Ben-Shahar might offer modern people to find happiness.
(Questions provided by Tal Ben-Shahar
1	I. What do we find most meaningful?
	2. What provides us with the most pleasure?
	3. What are we good at?
2. Explain th	e reasons for your predictions.
For exam	nple:
I think th	at doing activities that give me pleasure and provide me with meaning will make me happy
because	modern people are under pressure at work.
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Unit 4: "The Taj Mahal: a Tear Drop (三民 B4L7)"

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity			
Differentiate What?	Differentiate readiness			
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process			
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period			
Objectives	1. Students will know how to listen for comprehension.			
	2. Students will be able to do the picture dictation while listening.			
	3. Students will be able to make inferences after listening.			
Resources needed:	1. Tiered assignments			
	2. Selected audio: "The Taj Mahal: a Tear Drop" from SanMin Publishing			
	3. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.			
Teacher preparation:	1. Create three versions of tiered assignments.			
	2. Ensure the fluent play of the text in the CD player.			
	3. Ensure students are able to understand the intonation and reduced			
	forms of an academic lecture.			
Explanation of activity:	Prior to the pre-listening activity, students have been introduced to			
	the essential vocabulary of the audio text. In addition, the students should			
	understand how to read aloud the text fluently with proper intonations.			
	Then, students are divided into two groups by readiness due to their			
	different abilities in listening comprehension and vocabulary level.			
	Each student will choose a tiered assignment with appropriate			
	questions for their listening-comprehensive level. Quality of work will be			
	emphasized in teacher conferences with individual students and groups.			
	Students working on the same worksheet may be part of discussion groups,			
	but are responsible for completing their own tasks and activities.			
Pre-listening				
Whole-Class	Teach new vocabulary			
	Read the first chapter of the text.			
While-listening				
Homogenous groups	1. Listen for comprehension and do the picture dictation			
	2. Make inferences from the audio text			
	3. Analyze the expressions and do the picture dictation			
Post-listening				
Interesting groups	1.Choose one task of two			
	2.Get into groups with the same task			
	3.Present the result to the whole class			
Teacher's role:	The teacher will circulate and provide assistance as needed to groups. The			
	teacher will also review each preliminary idea to allow students to			
	complete the task.			

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	(Advanced)
Class & No.	Name

(1) Before you listen

Directions:

- 1. Please choose the basic/advanced worksheet depending on your learning accomplishment in English.
- 2. Get into a group of four with the same worksheet.
- 3. Read the vocabulary, and match each one of them to the correct sentence.

1. recruit	A. The emperor showed his by attacking other countries.
2. imprison	B. Two of the features of this modern house are its high
	ceilings and big windows.
3. admire	C. Casper some of his friends to help him move his things to
	the new apartment.
4. crumble	D. Many in the village were destroyed by the mudslide,
	including this bell tower.
5. aggressiveness	E. Those people will be for months because they threw
	dangerous chemicals at the police.
6. structure	F. This garden is a place of beauty. In fact, it is the most
	amazing garden that I've ever visited.
7. architectural	G. During the serious earthquake, the building to the ground.
	Sadly, no one survived.
8. incomparable	H. Steve stood on the mountain road for a few moments to
	the view.

(1)While You Listen

Part I:1st-2nd paragraph

A. First Listening:

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Directions:	isten to	the text	and write	vour answ	ers to tr	ne questions.

- (a) Comprehension questions) 1. The reading is mainly about _____ (A) the large, complex construction of the Taj Mahal (B) the beauty of the Taj Mahal and the story behind it (C) the literary masters who have described the Taj Mahal (D) the World Heritage List made by UNESCO) 2. Shah Jahan was particular about every detail of the Taj Mahal because ______ (A) he was a careful and serious emperor (B) he hoped he would be remembered for building this great tomb

 - (C) he wanted to build an incomparable mausoleum for his love
 - (D) he wished to show the world how prosperous his empire was

B. Second listening: Gap fill-in
Directions : Fill in the blank to the question
1. The emperor was usurped by his own son and in the Agra Fort on the other bank of the
River Yamuna.
2. In fact, behind this grand is a touching story.
3. To Shah Jahan, a Mogul of India, building an mausoleum was how he memorialized
his love.
4. Therefore, he twenty-thousand workers to construct a mausoleum in memory of her.
\bigstar Listen for details: Listen again, match the sentences in series (ex.1~4), and fill in the gaps.
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and the
Part II: 3 rd - 4 th paragraph
A. Picture Dictation
Directions : work in new group of four, one student reads paragraph 4-5 and the others draw the
description of the building of Taj Mahal, asking questions when needed.
Observed from the back or from the side, the Taj Mahal is perfect.
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(3)After You Listen: Making Inferences
Directions:
1. Read the definition of making inferences.
"An inference is a conclusion, a judgment. Sometimes we have some information about a topic or a
situation, but we don't have direct information to know that something is definitely true. So we make a
guess based on the information that we have. This is an inference," (Gilbert & Rogers, 2011)
2. Choose one question below, and get into a group of four with the same questions, and discuss the answers.
3. Share your answers with the whole class.
Questions:
1.Based on the clues mentioned in the last paragraph, what do you think is going to happen to Taj Mahal in
near the future?
2.If you were Emperor Shah Jahan , how would you memorialize your love instead of building the Taj
Mahal?

The Taj Mahal: a Tear Drop (三民 B4L7)

	Picture dictation (Basic)
Class & No.	Name	

(1)Before you listen

Directions:

- 1. Please choose the basic/advanced worksheet depending on your learning accomplishment in English.
- 2. Get into a group of four with the same worksheet.
- 3. Read the vocabulary words, and match each one of them with its correct definition.

1. recruit	A. the state of being threatening or showing hostility
2. imprison	B. relating to the style and design of buildings
3. admire	C. to find people to join an organization or work in a company
4. crumble	D. something large that has been built
5. aggressiveness	E. to put someone in prison or in a place that he or she cannot
	leave
6. structure	F. unable to be compared.
7. architectural	G. to break into small pieces
8. incomparable	H. a feeling of liking and respect for someone or something

(2)While You Listen

Part I: 1st – 2nd paragraph

A. First listening:

Directions:	Listen to	the text,	and write	your answers	to the c	questions.
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- () 1. Who is Shah Jahan?
- a. The emperor of Indonesia
- b. The emperor of India
- c. The wife of Mumtaz Mahal
-) 2. What did Shah Jahan do to memorialize his love?
 - a. He built an incomparable mausoleum.
 - b. He recruited twenty-thousand workers to buy tremendous treasures.
 - c. He was usurped by his own son and imprisoned.

B. Second listening: Gap fi	II-in
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Directions : Fill in the blank in each	h question	
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his love.		
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Part II: Picture Dictation

Unit 5: "The Tao"

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity		
Differentiate What?	Differentiate readiness		
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process		
Duration	10 Minutes during language arts period		
Resources needed:	1. Tiered assignments		
	2. Selected audio: "The Tao" from SanMin Publishing		
	3. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.		
Teacher preparation:	1. Teach the lesson of "The Tao" and interpret the meaning.		
	2. Create three versions of tiered assignments.		
	3. Ensure the fluent play of the text in the CD player.		
Explanation of activity:	The purpose of this activity is to examine whether students are able to listen for comprehension, be aware of the reduced form and intonation in a speech, and know how to fill in the gaps with correct words. After the teacher explains the assignment and directions of the dictation activity, the teacher assigns students to choose work groups of 3-4 students each. Each student will choose a tiered assignment. Quality of work will be emphasized in teacher conferences with individual students and groups. Students working on the same worksheet may be part of discussion groups, but are responsible for completing their own tasks and activities. Each group of students will choose a way of presenting what they have learned in the listening.		
Pre-listening			
Whole-Class	Review the vocabulary		
sad the first	Introduce the rules of dictation		
While-listening	4 Beauting the standard distance within a house and a second second		
Homogeneous groups	1.Practice the standard dictation within a homogenous group of four		
	Analyze the listening text Fill in the correct words		
Post-listening	3.1 III III the correct words		
Heterogeneous group	1.Get into new group		
	2. Check the answers from clues of different tiered assignments		
Teacher's role:	Throughout this study the teacher needs to give instructions or assistance to		
	individual students and small groups. The teacher may find that mini-lessons		
	are needed periodically. Based on the pre-assessment of each student's		
	listening comprehension, the teacher may find it necessary to pre-teach		
	some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.		

The Tao: People of the Sea (三民 B4L3)

culture.

(Advanced) Class & No._____ Name_____ Your partner's Class & No._____ Name_____ Surrounded by water on all sides and rich in marine resources, Taiwan is closely connected with the ocean. (1)_____ the fact that seafood plays an important part in our daily diet, we also (2) sea transportation for trading. However, few of us value our ties with the ocean as much as the Tao do. The Tao are the (3)______ people who inhabit Orchid Island. Among all the tribes of Taiwan, the Tao may be the only one that is genuinely in great awe of the ocean. The reason why the ocean is of such great (4) ______ to the Tao people lies in the geographical environment of Orchid Island. The land being very rugged and infertile, the Tao people can only plant some crops that are easy to grow, such as taros and yams, as their (5) s______. To maintain an adequate intake of protein, they must (6)______ to sea to catch fish. Over the years, the Tao have developed a philosophy of fishing, (7) _____(A) which intends for (B) which is intended for both bountiful catches and the conservation of marine life. For example, they have gotten used to catching fish with their bare hands, and they follow their fishing calendar respectfully. This calendar (8) c to the movements of ocean currents. Every year from March to June, the waters around Orchid Island are frequented by schools of flying fish brought by the Kuroshio Current. This period of time, also known as the flying fish season, has become the principal fishing season for the tribe. The Tao people regard flying fish as a gift from their god, so the occasion of catching flying fish has been highly valued. Traditionally, during the flying fish season, (9) t_____ from different families have to form fishing groups and live together, following numerous rules about diet and living. Before the fishing groups set sail to fish, the members will utilize their exceptional wood-carving skills to build plank boats. In order to (10) _____ evil spirits and pray for blessings, they paint certain totems on their boats, including shapes of humans, waves, and concentric circles. These elaborately decorated boats are (11) s_____ to the Tao people and are their most precious cultural heritage. Furthermore, the Tao people hold many different ceremonies throughout the entire flying fish season to show their gratitude to their god and to (12)______. Their traditional music and dances also reveal strong imagery of the ocean. Clearly, the Tao have created a unique, ocean-oriented

The Tao: People of the Sea (三民 B4L3)

culture.

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Your partner's Class & No Name
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Unit 6: "8 secrets to success"

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity				
Differentiate What?	Differentiate readiness				
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process				
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period				
Objectives	1. Students will understand patterns of organization in a lecture.				
	2. Students will be able to listen for organizational patterns in lectures.				
	3. Students will be able to retell the lecture in their own words.				
Resources needed:	1. Tiered assignments				
	2. Selected websites: "TED Talks"				
	http://www.ted.com/talks/richard st john s 8 secrets of success.htm				
	<u>l</u>				
	3. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.				
Teacher preparation:	1. Create two versions of tiered assignments for each student.				
	2. Download the video and ensure the fluent play of the talk.				
Explanation of activity:	Students will have learned how to make connections between words				
	and sounds and will understand the note-taking skill before the pre-listening				
	activity.				
	During the while-listening activity, each student will choose a tiered				
	assignment within the appropriate questions for listening-comprehensive				
	level, and then get into group of four students with the same assignment.				
	Quality of work will be emphasized in teacher conferences with individual				
	students and groups. Students working on the same worksheet may be part				
	of discussion groups, but are responsible for completing their own tasks and				
	activities.				
	Each group of students will choose a way of presenting what they				
	have learned in the post-listening activity. The teacher can video the				
	presentations and play them to another class to have students share the				
	feedback with a different audience.				
Pre-listening					
Whole-Class	Teach new vocabulary				
	Teach & predict the content of the talk with visual aids.				
While-listening					
Homogenous groups	1. Students will learn to listen to understand the pattern of organization in				
	the TED talk.				
	2. Students in small groups will listen and focus on the speaker's method of				
	achieving success.				
	3. The students will take turns retelling the talk in their own words.				
Post-listening					
Interest groups	1.Students get into group of 3-4 with the same topic to present to the class.2. Students will discuss and come to agreement on a method of				

	presentation (story board, video, comic strip, play, TV show, etc.). Students can change groupings according to developing interests. 3. Students will fill out the project sheet lwith an outline of their presentation, materials needed, and some background information from the web. 4. After teacher approves plan, students may begin working in their groups on their final project. 5. Students present the result in class.	
Teacher's role:	Throughout this study the teacher needs to give instructions or assistance to individual students and small groups. The teacher may find that mini-lessons are needed periodically. Based on the pre-assessment of each student's listening comprehension, the teacher may find it necessary to pre-teach some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.	

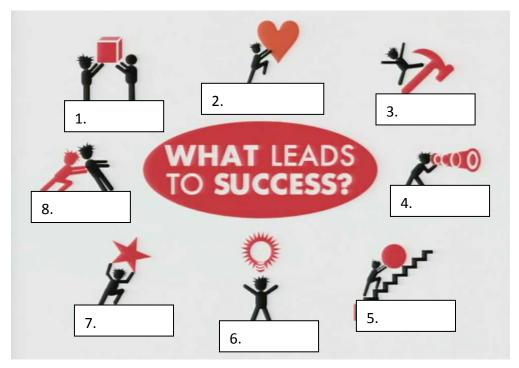
8 Secrets to Success, <TED Talk>

					(Advanced)
				Class & No	Name
<8 secrets to su	iccess>:	http://www.ted.com/	talks/richard st john	s 8 secrets of succ	cess.html
(1) Before yo	u listen	:			
Questions:					
1. Which chara	cteristics	do you consider impo	ortant to achieve succ	ess?	
□ being rich		□ being good at	□ being wise	□ getting well with	
		observing		partners	
□ being pati	ent	□ having good	□ having good	□being persistent	
		connections	connections		
□ being luck	ХУ	□ being good at	□ being focused	☐ having passion	
		solving problems			
□ having cre	ative	□ being pushed by	□being curious		
ideas		oneself	about everything		
your reasons (A) Lee Hor (B) Preside (C) Bill Gate	ng Wang nt Ma es	e would you consider a	a clear example of a su	uccessful person? Wh	y? Please explain
(D) Mother					
My Reason:					
Questions:	e lecture	about secrets to succe	ess. Complete the info	ormation below the p	icture.
 What is the 	main ide	ea of this talk?			
2. What are th	ne import	tant elements to achie	eve success?		

(2) While-listening Questions

A. First Listening

Directions: Listen to the lecture about secrets to success. Complete the information below the picture.



B.Second Listening

Directions: Discuss in groups and answer the questions

1. Who thinks that being successful requires loving your work?

2. Who thinks that being successful requires pushing yourself?

3. Why does a successful person need to be persistent?

4. Take turns giving the talk in your own words. Use the information of the picture.

(3)After you listen

Directions: get four people in one group, and choose one of the following missions that you would like to accomplish. Then, present it in front of the class. (2-3 minutes)

Question: How do you define success? Use celebrities as examples to explain your definition of "Being Successful."

Mission 1:

Create a biography of a successful person to define his/her success. Describe her/his features, work, belief, way of speaking or public behavior with examples.

Mission 2:

Write a short dialogue that represents the spirit of being successful.

Role A: Hey!
Role B: I don't believe it!
Role A:
Role B:
Role A:
Role B:
Role A : You must be kidding!
Role B: But,

Mission 3: Write an essay to define success with examples. (200 words)

8 Secrets to Success, <TED Talk>

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Class & No	Name	

<8 secrets to success>: http://www.ted.com/talks/richard_st_john_s_8_secrets_of_success.html

(2) Before you listen:

Question:

1. Which characteristics do you consider important to achieve success?

□ being rich	□ being good at	□ being wise	□ getting well with
	observing		partners
□ being patient	□ having good	□ having good	□being persistent
	connections	connections	
□ being lucky	□ being good at	□ being focused	□ having passion
	solving problems		
□ having creative	□ being pushed by	□being curious	
ideas	oneself	about everything	

- 3. Which of these people would you consider a clear example of a successful person? Why? Please explain your reasons
 - (E) Lee Hong Wang
 - (F) President Ma
 - (G) Bill Gates
 - (H) Mother Teresa

My Reason:		
IVIV REASON:		

(2) While-listening Questions

A. First Listening

Directions: Listen to the lecture about secrets to success. Complete the information below the picture.



(Basic)

B. Second Listening

Directions: Discuss in groups and answer the questions

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- _____
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Unit 7: "Looks aren't everything"

_"Think-pair-share" activity

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity	
Differentiate What?	Differentiate learning interests	
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process	
Duration	10 Minutes during language arts period	
Resources needed:	1. "Think-pair-share" worksheet	
	1. Paper, pencils, colored pencils.	
Teacher preparation:	1. Create the choice board for each student.	
	2. Download the video and ensure the fluent play of the talk.	
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	everything. Believe me, I'm a model) http://voicetube.tw/videos/789	
Explanation of activity:	"Think-pair-share" can work as a warm-up or the post-listening	
	activity. Students will have to guess about who the people are and about	
	what they are doing, thinking or feeling. This helps students to make	
	inferences with visual aids in the listening text.	
	Each student will choose two pictures, with two guesses about each	
	picture. They will work in groups with three other students who have chosen	
	the same pictures. After making their guesses, students will listen to the	
	text, valuate their guesses, and present the results.	
Pre-listening		
Whole-Class	Teach new vocabulary	
	Teach & predict the content of the talk.	
While-listening		
Heterogeneous groups	1.Students will practice note-taking skills	
	2. Students will listen for comprehension	
Post-listening		
Interest groups	1.Students get into groups of 3-4 with the same preference in pictures	
Random groups	2. Students will discuss and make inferences from the picture.	
	3. Students get into new groups of three, including students working with different pictures.	
	Students present their results to the new group members.	
Teacher's role:	The teacher will circulate and provide assistance as needed to	
	groups. Teacher will also review each preliminary idea to allow students to	

Think-pair-share

Class & No.	Name
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(1) After you listen

Directions:

- 1. By yourself, look at the pictures, choose one of your favorites, and make at least two guesses about what they are doing.
- 2. You have 5 minutes to write down your individual thoughts on the following questions:
- 1. What is the mood in this picture? Explain your answer.
- 2. What kind of conflict is conveyed in the picture?
- 3. What can you infer from the picture?







"Interest group" section

Directions:

- 1. In groups of four, share your individual thoughts.
- 2. Look at the pictures. What can you guess about who the people are or about what they are doing, thinking, or feeling. What is going to happen in the situation? Make at least two guesses about each picture.
- 1. What is the mood in this picture? Explain your answer.
- 2. What kind of conflict is conveyed in the picture?
- 3. What can you infer from the picture?
- 4. Share your opinions with the whole class.

Unit 8: "MacCoffee vs. Starbucks"

_ the Choice Board activity

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity	
Differentiate What?	Differentiate learning interests	
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process	
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period	
Resources needed:	Tiered assignments	
	Paper, pencils, colored pencils.	
Teacher preparation:	1. Create the choice board for each student.	
	2. Download the video from CNN news and ensure the fluent play of the	
	talk.	
Explanation of activity:	The "Choice Board" is designed to examine what students have learned through listening. By this point, students will have learned how to make connections of word and sounds and will practise how to take notes, listen for main ideas, and listen for details. Each student, or group of students, will choose three tasks to accomplish. All students should start on the central grid, Visualizing. After finishing three tasks, each group of students will present what they have	
	learned in the listening.	
Pre-listening		
Whole-Class	Teach new vocabulary	
	Teach & predict the content of the talk.	
While-listening		
Heterogeneous groups	1.Students will practice note-taking skills	
	2. Students will listen for comprehension	
Post-listening		
Heterogeneous groups	1. Students will evaluate the expressions	
Teacher's role:	Throughout this study the teacher needs to give instructions or assistance to	
	individual students and small groups. The teacher may find that mini-lessons	
	are needed periodically. Based on the pre-assessment of each student's	
	listening comprehension, the teacher may find it necessary to pre-teach some of the students or to extend the understanding of others.	

Choice Board

Class &	No.	Name

Instructions:

- A choice board is a tool that ensures students incorporate a range of multiple intelligences, and/or learning preferences.
- The teacher allows students to choose the way in which they compile their activity. They are provided with 8-9 project ideas to choose from. All eight intelligences are addressed with these projects.

Choice Board Activity for Listening Comprehension			
Questioning:	Main Idea:	Making Predictions:	
Write 3 Questions you have about the listening material or complete the 5 <i>Wh's</i> chart.	What is the main idea of the text? Write 2 supporting details about what you have heard.	After you have listened to half of the listening material, write a list of two things that you think will happen next.	
Clarification:	<u>Visualizing:</u>	Compare/Contrast:	
Ask the author 3 questions to clarify any obscurities in the listening material.	Take notes and draw a graphic organizer/outline of the listening material.	Make a chart about what is similar or different in the listening material, compared to another text, topic, or character.	
Making	Summary:	Making Inferences:	
Connections: What do you have in common? ~~Text to Self ~~Text to Text ~~Text to World	Write a short summary about the speech, including a beginning, middle, and end.	Form an opinion about something that is based on information you already have. (eg. Does the author approve/ disapprove of?)	

Unit 9: "Think-tac-toe" Activity

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity
Differentiate What?	Differentiate learning preferences
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process
Duration	30 Minutes during language arts period
Resources needed:	"Think-tac-toe" assignment
	Paper, pencils, colored pencils, computer.
Teacher preparation:	1. Create the choice board for each student.
	2. Download the video and ensure the fluent play of the talk.
Pre-listening Whole-Class	The "Choice Board" is designed to examine what students have learned through listening. By this point, students will have learned how to make connections of word and sounds and will practise how to take notes, listen for main ideas, and listen for details. Each student, or group of students, will choose three tasks to accomplish. All students should start on the central grid. After finishing three tasks, each group of students will present what they have learned in the listening. Teach new vocabulary
	Teach & predict the content of the talk.
While-listening	
Interest groups	1. Students get in groups.
	2. Students choose three cells in the grid and do the group work.
	3. The cell in the middle is a mandatory choice.
Post-listening	
Heterogeneous groups	1. Students evaluate the message and accomplish the tasks
Teacher's role:	The teacher will circulate and provide assistance as needed to
	groups. Teacher will also review each preliminary idea to allow students to complete the task.

Think-tac-toe

Class & No.	Name

Instructions:

- Think-Tac-Toe plays off the familiar childhood game. It is a simple way to give students alternative ways of exploring and expressing key ideas and using key skills.
- Typically, the Think-Tac-Toe grid has nine cells in it like a Tic-Tac-Toe game. The number of rows and cells can, of course, be adjusted.

Think-tac-toe Activity: Listening Comprehension

Directions:

- 4. Get in groups.
- 5. Choose three cells in the grid and do the group work.
- 6. The Cell in the middle is a mandatory choice.

Take 6 photos and paste them on the slides. Use the photos to share and demonstrate the core ideas of the listening material.	Search one relevant the listening material. Listen to the text and create a Venn diagram to show the compare and contrast of the two the texts.	Predict what will happen next, and do a role play or a short dialogue to continue the text.
Write a short paragraph to define the main ideas/ supporting details of the listening material.	Take notes and draw a graphic organizer. Label at least two examples that are important to the text.	Choose one part of the listening material and do a 1-minute dubbing activity.
Draw a comic strip to predict one typical day of one character in the listening material.	Produce a 1 minute commercial advertising the listening material. (ex. A product, the clip, a character)	Do you think the title of the text is a good one? Do you think a different title would be better? Write a paragraph explaining what you think about the title.

Unit 10: "Listening Journal"

Lesson Part and Grouping	Instruction/Activity
Differentiate What?	Differentiate learning preferences
Differentiate How?	Differentiate process
Duration	15 Minutes at home
Resources needed:	Tiered assignments
	Paper, pencils, colored pencils.
Teacher preparation:	1. Create the choice board for each student.
	2. Download the video and ensure the fluent play of the talk.
Pre-listening Whole-Class	The "Choice Board" is designed to examine what students have learned through listening. By this point, students will have learned how to make connections of word and sounds and will practise how to take notes, listen for main ideas, and listen for details. Each student, or group of students, will choose three tasks to accomplish. All students should start on the central grid, Visualizing. After finishing three tasks, each group of students will present what they have learned in the listening. Teach new vocabulary
	Teach & predict the content of the talk.
While-listening	
Heterogeneous groups	1.Students will practice note-taking skills
	2. Students will listen for comprehension
Post-listening	
Heterogeneous groups	1. Students will evaluate the expressions
Teacher's role:	Throughout this self-study, the teacher examines the resulting listening
	journal once or twice a week. Based on students' feedback in the listening
	journal, the teacher examines the learning progress of the individual,
	modifies teaching procedures, and encourages students to build up their
	listening skills.

Listening Journal

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3. 跟讀文本,熟悉單字發音及內容。		跟讀文本,熟悉單	字發音及內容。	İ
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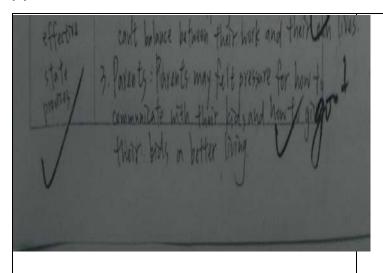
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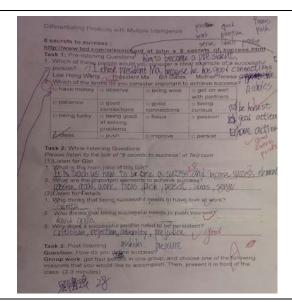
In brief, this series of lesson plans is not only designed for students to develop well-organized listening skills, but also designed to offer ideas for EFL teachers to integrate relevant teaching procedures and worksheets into their daily teaching in a diverse classroom. The purpose of adding differentiated instruction to the teaching of listening skills is to offer EFL teachers a possible, positive solution to deal with more challenging and diverse classes. Thus, the author hopes that both teachers and students will find this series useful and enjoyable.

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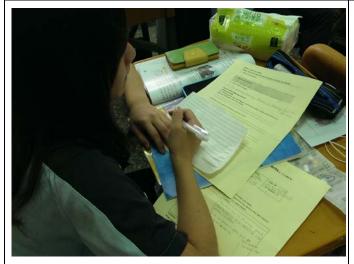
Appendix





Unit 3 "Positive thinking": Student work

Unit 6 "8 secrets to success": Student work





Unit 1 "Magic Beans": Note-taking practice

Unit 5 "The Tao": Pair work





Unit 8 "McCoffee vs. Starbucks": Choice Board practice

Unit 4 "The Taj Mahal": Group presentation

【TED】外表不是一切...相信我·我是 Victoria's secret 模特兒! (Looks aren't everything. Believe me, I'm a model) http://voicetube.tw/videos/789

(The transcript starts from 6:59)

...And I got these free things because of how I look, not who I am, and there are people paying a cost for how they look and not who they are. I live in New York, and last year, of the 140,000 teenagers that were stopped and frisked, 86 percent of them were black and Latino, and most of them were young men. And there are only 177,000 young black and Latino men in New York, so for them, it's not a question of, "Will I get stopped?" but "How many times will I get stopped? When will I get stopped?"

When I was researching this talk, I found out that of the 13-year-old girls in the United States, 53 percent don't like their bodies, and that number goes to 78 percent by the time that they're 17. So the last question people ask me is, "What is it like to be a model?" And I think the answer that they're looking for is, "If you are a little bit skinnier and you have shinier hair, you will be so happy and fabulous." And when we're backstage, we give an answer that maybe makes it seem like that. We say, "It's really amazing to travel, and it's amazing to get to work with creative, inspired, passionate people." And those things are true, but they're only one half of the story, because the thing that we never say on camera, that I have never said on camera, is, "I am insecure."

And I'm insecure because I have to think about what I look like every day. And if you ever are wondering, "If I have thinner thighs and shinier hair, will I be happier?" you just need to meet a group of models, because they have the thinnest thighs and the shiniest hair and the coolest clothes, and they're the most physically insecure women probably on the planet. So when I was writing this talk, I found it very difficult to strike an honest balance, because on the one hand, I felt very uncomfortable to come out here and say, "Look I've received all these benefits from a deck stacked in my favor," and it also felt really uncomfortable to follow that up with, "and it doesn't always make me happy." But mostly it was difficult to unpack a legacy of gender and racial oppression when I am one of the biggest beneficiaries.

But I'm also happy and honored to be up here and I think that it's great that I got to come before 10 or 20 or 30 years had passed and I'd had more agency in my career, because maybe then I wouldn't tell the story of how I got my first job, or maybe I wouldn't tell the story of how I paid for college, which seems so important right now. If there's a takeaway to this talk, I hope it's that we all feel more comfortable acknowledging the power of image in our perceived successes and our perceived failures. Thank you. (Applause)