



Introduction

This support pack accompanies:

Big City Small World – Series 3 Episode 6

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This support pack contains the following materials:

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Before you listen

We suggest you do the vocabulary activity below before you listen. Then listen to the episode and do the first task to check your understanding. Finally, practise some vocabulary and grammar.

Match the words and phrases in the boxes to their definitions.

a) faith (n.)	b) proposition (n.)	c) bunch (n.)
d) high-class (adj.)	e) eventually (adv.)	f) interpreter (n.)

Definitions:

1. A person who translates orally
2. Group
3. Finally, at the end
4. Belief in something
5. A business offer
6. High level

Transcript

Olivia: Hi, Sarah! How are you?

Sarah: Hmmmm ...

Olivia: What's up?

Sarah: Well, now it seems I'm going out with the chef in a café!

Olivia: Oh Sarah, come on! This is a nice place. Carlos is just helping out while Tony's sick.

Sarah: Well, perhaps ... But it's not exactly a 'high-powered' job, is it?

Fadi: Hi there! What's happening?

Olivia: Sarah's not happy because her boyfriend is the chef in a café.

Fadi: Oh, come on! He's just helping out – it shows what a nice guy he is!

Sarah: Well, hmm, maybe. But Carlos has always talked about opening up his own restaurant, a really good, high-class place serving South American food.

Olivia: And I'm sure he'll do that ... eventually!

Fadi: Yeah, he will. Just let him get a bit more experience here.

Sarah: Well ... OK then ... We'll see.

Fadi: Talking of business plans ... I've got an idea!

Olivia: Oh no!

Fadi: Such faith! Come on, at least listen to me!

Sarah: Here are a couple of people who'll listen to you.

Fadi: Hi, Johnny! Hi, Harry!

Johnny/Harry: Hi there!

Olivia: Fadi's got a business proposition for you guys.

Sarah: Yeah! An offer you can't refuse.

Johnny: Sounds good – go on!

Harry: I'm all ears.

Fadi: Well, seeing as we're such a mixed bunch ...

Harry: How do you mean?

Fadi: Well – English, Chinese, Polish, Brazilian, Lebanese ...

Harry: Oh, yeah, I see what you mean.

Fadi: And we all know this city so well.

Johnny: We certainly do.

Fadi: I thought we could form a company offering services to visitors or tourists: "FindLondon".

Johnny: What kind of services?

Fadi: All sorts of things ... Interpreters, help finding a place to stay, recommendations about places to eat or things to see, guided tours, that sort of thing.

Johnny: Hmmmm ...

Harry: Not a bad idea that, use our own natural resources, like?

Fadi: I'm only looking for a small investment at the moment – we're having a meeting next week. Are you in?

Johnny: Yeah! I'm in!

Harry: Me too!

Olivia: Well, I've got enough problems with my own business as it is – count me out!

Sarah: Yeah ... Good luck, guys, but it's not for me either.

Fadi: Your loss! We're going to be millionaires!

Comprehension Task 1

Decide whether these statements are true or false.

1. Sarah is pleased that Carlos is working in the café.
2. Fadi wants to go into business with his friends.
3. Carlos wants to open a South American restaurant.
4. Fadi thinks he and his friends are all very similar.
5. Olivia and Sarah decide not to join in with the business proposal.
6. Fadi's idea is aimed at people from London.
7. There is a business meeting planned for the following week.
8. Olivia's business is doing well.

Vocabulary Task 1

Can you complete these compound adjectives?

quick

storey

powered

famous

good

part

working

1. high- _____
2. hard- _____
3. _____-thinking
4. _____-looking
5. world- _____
6. _____-time
7. ten- _____

Vocabulary Task 2

Can you complete the sentences with the right compound adjective?

quick-thinking ten-storey high-powered world-famous
good-looking part-time hard-working

1. Carlos is very _____. He hardly ever rests.
2. My boss is _____. If we have a problem, he can think of a solution straight away.
3. He's got a _____ job in the city.
4. Have you seen her boyfriend? He's very _____.
5. London is a _____ city.
6. I'm not sure I would want to live in a _____ building – I'd worry about it falling over!
7. Well, my new job is _____, so I have time to look after the children.

Grammar Task

Choose the best preposition.

up out about with for to out for

1. What's _____?
2. I'm going out _____ a chef.
3. He's just helping _____ for a while.
4. He has always talked _____ opening up his own restaurant.
5. I've got a business proposition _____ you guys.
6. It's a company offering services _____ visitors.
7. Sorry, count me _____!
8. It's not _____ me, either.

Answers

Pre-listening:

1. f; 2. c; 3. e; 4. a; 5. b; 6. d

Comprehension Task:

1. F; 2. T; 3. T; 4. F; 5. T; 6. F; 7. T; 8. F

Vocabulary Task 1:

1. high-powered; 2. hard-working; 3. quick-thinking; 4. good-looking; 5. world-famous; 6. part-time; 7. ten-storey

Vocabulary Task 2:

1. hard-working; 2. quick-thinking; 3. high-powered; 4. good-looking; 5. world-famous; 6. ten-storey; 7. part-time

Grammar:

1. up; 2. with; 3. out; 4. about; 5. for; 6. to; 7. out; 8. for