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## Heroes

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# THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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I don't really have a hero. There are many people I respect, but they are not really my hero. Some people choose very strange heroes. My friends have rock stars and football players as heroes. Of course, these people are very good at what they do, but they're not really heroes. They get lots of money for doing what they love. When they're not singing or playing football, I wonder what they're doing. I think most of the world's heroes are unsung heroes. People who work to help others every day. We generally don't notice these heroes. Then there are those who put their lives on the line for others. Fire fighters, police officers and soldiers are heroes. Without them, the world would be less safe.

## 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. \_\_\_\_\_
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# STUDENT HEROES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about heroes 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 heroes for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.**

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## **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 heroes. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

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

**5. MY HEROES LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on heroes. 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 heroes. Share your findings with the class.

