

Theme Number	Theme	Communication	Vocabulary	Grammar	Other
1	<b>Describing Abilities</b>	Describing abilities	Abilities: play the guitar, play the piano, sing, dance, swim, use a computer, use an iPad, use a mobile device	Modal verbs: can and will	Can you... Do you know how to...
2	<b>Hobbies and Interests</b>		Hobbies: read books, listen to music, hang out with friends, watch television, play video games, play soccer (sports)	Present progressive tense	
3	<b>Movies, Music and TV</b>	Offering suggestions	Media: comedy, drama, action, romance, cartoon, talk show, game show, hard rock, soft rock, jazz, classical	Stating opinions or advice: always, often, sometimes, never	There is vs. there are
4	<b>School Subjects</b>		Subjects: math, biology, English, Chinese, history, science	BE verb in simple past tense	Simple past tense of regular verbs
5	<b>Around the School</b>	Giving and responding to congratulations	library, classroom, restroom, office, cafeteria, gymnasium	Common yes and no responses	BE past tense negative Idioms
6	<b>My City</b>	Do you know where X is? It's right next to it.	City Locations: park, movie theater, store, gas station, hospital, school, bank, post office	Prepositions of Location: next to, across from, in front of, behind (at, on, in)	Compass directions: north, south, east, west
7	<b>Asking for Directions</b>	Simple directions: How do we get to the... Where is the... Turn right... turn left Go straight... Go back...	City Locations and Street Vocabulary: museum, street, right, left, library, intersection, block, corner, train station	Giving simple directions	Asking Others for Help Check understanding Paying attention
8	<b>Restaurants</b>	Ordering at a restaurant	Restaurant terms	Future tense: will	Definite vs. Indefinite articles Tipping
9	<b>Making Plans</b>	Talking about Future Plans	Days of the week Months of the year	Future tense: be going to  Prepositions of time: at, on, in	Pronunciation: reductions Voiced vs. voiceless sounds (th / the)

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10	<b>Countries and Languages</b>	Telling a story in the past/recounting an experience	Countries & Languages: Brazil, Australia, China, England, France, Germany, Japan, Russia, Indonesia, US, Canada, India	Past tense: Irregular verbs  Regular vs. Irregular verbs: past tense	Languages: Portuguese, English, Chinese, French, German, Japanese
11	<b>Sports</b>	Making and Accepting Invitations	Common sports: soccer, baseball, basketball, football, tennis, volleyball	Past progressive tense ast vs. past progressive tense	- Pronunciation: can vs. can't - The /schwa/ sound
12	<b>Our Personalities</b>	Giving and Responding to Compliments	Common Personalities: shy, funny, serious, friendly, polite, stubborn, talkative	Conjunctions: and, but, so  Dependent & independent clauses	Adverbs: very, so, and too
13	<b>Our Feelings</b>	Expressing how we feel	Common Emotions: happy, glad, sad, nervous, angry, mad, embarrassed, surprised, bored, scared	Modal verbs  Future tense: will vs. be going to	Participial adjectives: surprised vs. surprising
14	<b>The Body</b>	Making appointments	Common body parts: head, hand, arm, leg, foot, stomach, fingers, toes, shoulders, elbows, knees	Simple phrasal verbs: stand up, sit down, lie down, get up	Song
15	<b>Health and Sickness</b>	Expressions of Concern	Ailments: headache, stomachache, fever, a sore throat, a cut, a broken leg	Commands / Imperatives Complex sentences using "if" and "because"	Calling 911

NYCE prepares the learner for the next stage of learning English. The remaining Intermediate Conversation themes do not contain Native Language Translations (NLT). Additionally, writing prompts are available for the learner to practice skills learned in previous themes.

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16	Talking about Extended Family	Greetings and Closings (More advanced)	Extended Family: aunt, uncle, cousin, grandma, grandpa, maternal, paternal, grandson, granddaughter, great grandfather, niece, nephew, step-brother	WH-Questions in the past using the BE and DO verbs	Pronunciation: /d/ and /th/
17	Food and Tastes	Stating Intentions	Food Qualities: sweet, sour, hot, cold, salty, spicy, greasy, crunchy, bitter, soft, hard	Conjunctions: and, but, or	Pronunciation: /sh/ and /ch/
18	Cooking and Recipes	Giving Instructions	Cooking Verbs: add, bake, boil, cut, cook, fry, mix, pour, slice, stir	Containers Present progressive tense" in its place on the scope and sequence.	Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner, snack
19	Clothing and Styles	Agreeing and Disagreeing	Shopping Terms: cheap, expensive, light, dark, pretty, ugly, tight, loose, big, small Clothing Sizes: small, medium, large, X-large	Adverbs: very, so and too	A pair of: jeans, shoes, socks, pants
20	Personal Care	Making Polite Requests	Personal Care Items: cologne, contact lenses, curling iron, dental floss, deodorant, hair dryer, lipstick, lotion, mouth wash, nail clippers, perfume, shampoo, shaving cream, soap	Possessive nouns: This is Karen's curling iron. That is Brandon's shampoo. Using "whose": Whose shampoo is this?	Pronunciation: /f/ and /v/
21	Shopping and Prices	Making Polite Refusals	Numbers 10 – 1000	Possessive adjectives: my, your, his, her, its, our, their	Pronunciation: /r/ and /l/
22	At the Bank	Making Polite Introductions	Banking Words: checking account, savings account, deposit, withdrawal, ATM, credit card, check, debit card	Possessive pronouns: mine, yours, his, hers, ours, theirs	Pronunciation: /r/ and /l/

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23	At the Post Office	Thanking and Responding to Thanks (More advanced)	Post Office: label, mail box, post card, postage, return address, signature, stamps, sticker, envelope, zip code, address	Reflexive pronouns: myself, himself, herself, itself, yourself, yourselves, themselves, ourselves	Pronunciation: /t/ and /d/
24	Home and Yard	Making Invitations	Home and Yard Words: bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, living room, utility	Prepositions Review: at, on, in, above, under, next to, in front of, behind, between	Pronunciation: /i/ and /ee/
25	Geography	Asking for Information	Geography Terms: mountain, valley, river, ocean, lake, forest, jungle, desert, island, waterfall	Making Comparisons: -er and -est	Pronunciation: /ch/ and /j/
26	Describing the Weather	Talking about the weather (More advanced)	Weather Terms: blizzard, breeze, downpour, drizzle, drought, dusty, dry, fog, frost, gust, humidity, hurricane, lightning, precipitation, sleet, thunder, tornado	Making Comparisons: Using more and most	
27	Emergency Situations	Interrupting Politely	Emergencies and Disasters: tornado, typhoon, epidemic, fire earthquake, blizzard, landslide, avalanche, flood, drought, explosion	Articles: a, an, the	Pronunciation: /s/ and /z/
28	Physical Characteristics	Pausing: Uhh, Hmmm, Let me think, You know, So, Well, I'm not sure, Good question	Physical Characteristics: blonde hair, blue eyes, bald, beard, mustache, curly or straight hair, short, tall, long and short hair	Verbs: IS vs. HAS	Pronunciation: /u/ and /er/
29	Body Actions	Common Gestures: handshake, come here, high five, thumbs up, be quiet, hurry up, shrugging, refusals	Body Actions: sweat, blink, laugh, cry, smile, frown, cough, sneeze, yawn, scratch	Present Progressive tense: Statements	Non-verbal utterances: uh-huh, uh-uh

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30	Talking About Your Health	Making complaints	Ailments: ache, allergy, arthritis, bruise, congestion, cut, dizziness, fever, infection, rash, scar, scrape, sore, sprain, wound	Present Progressive tense: Asking questions: Is / Are + verb + ing	