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## Driving

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# THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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Driving is one of life's greatest pleasures. There's nothing better than getting behind the wheel and going for a drive. I live in the countryside, so it's easy to get out onto an open road. I open the windows and turn the music up and then just drive and drive. I like driving to new areas and finding new roads. I find it very relaxing and great fun. I like the speed and the freedom. I even like driving in towns and cities, although not when traffic is really heavy. It's not much fun being stuck in a traffic jam half the day. Driving in different countries is great fun. I'm a little nervous at first, but I soon get to know the roads. People have different ways of driving in different countries. I don't like countries that have aggressive drivers.



## LISTENING GAP FILL

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

1. \_\_\_\_\_
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# STUDENT DRIVING SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about driving 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.



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

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

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

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

