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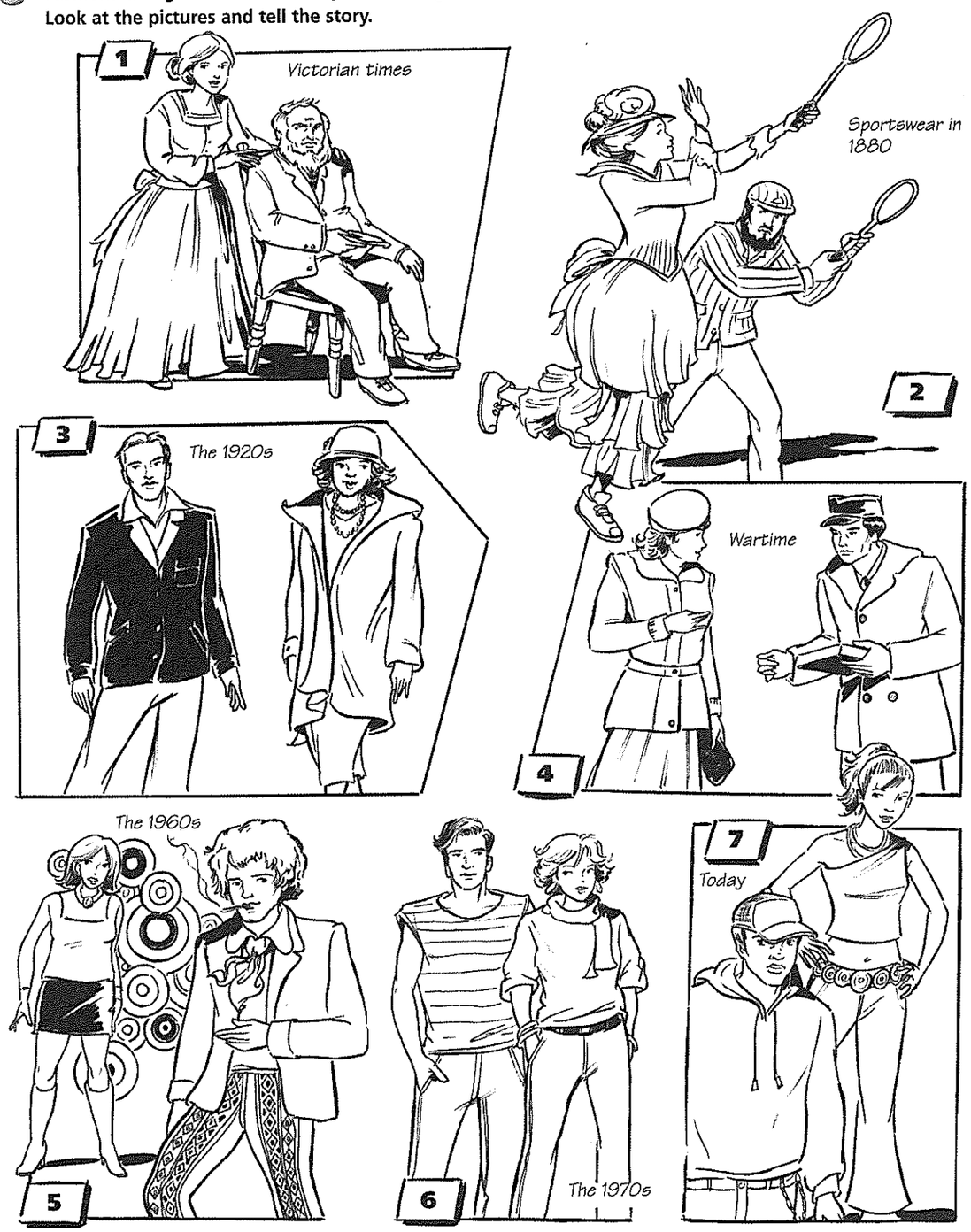
8 Fashion fads

1 **Fashions change all the time. They have changed a lot since 1860! Look at the pictures and tell the story.**



Here are some words to help you

formal (1) sportswear (2) uniform (4) casual (5) unisex (6)

2 **Correct the sentences about each picture to retell the story. Use these words to help.**

1 In Victorian times women wore long ~~trousers~~ dresses and men wore heavy jackets.
2 Men wore striped shorts and caps for tennis and women wore long dresses and hats.
3 In the 1920s, the 'Flappers' wore cheap clothes.
4 During the wartime, of course, lots of people wore pyjamas.
5 In the 1960s women wore long skirts and men's clothes became more colourful.
6 Ten years later, clothes for men and women were similar. Everyone wore blue shoes!
7 Now young people wear fleeces with hoods or swimming caps and you see a lot of body piercings or tattoos.

baseball
uniforms
mini
~~dresses~~
jackets
expensive
jeans

3 (15) **Listen to the story and check your answers to Exercise 2.**

4 **Look at the pictures in Activity 1. Write the number of the picture where you can see the following clothes. Write the period when the clothes were fashionable.**

	Clothes	Picture(s)	Period
1	a full skirt	*1 and 2*	*Victorian*
2	a fleece with a hood	.....	.....
3	unisex clothes	.....	.....
4	a striped jacket	.....	.....
5	blue jeans	.....	.....
6	colourful clothes	.....	.....
7	long necklaces	.....	.....
8	uniforms	.....	.....
9	a mini-skirt	.....	.....
10	a baseball cap	.....	.....

Extension activities

a To talk about
Is it important to you to have fashionable, designer- label clothes?
b Write 'Fashion fads' in your own words.

5 (16) **Listen to the interview with a super model.**

a Answer the questions:
1 What does Stephanie like about her job?
2 What clothes does she usually wear?
3 Why does she become angry?

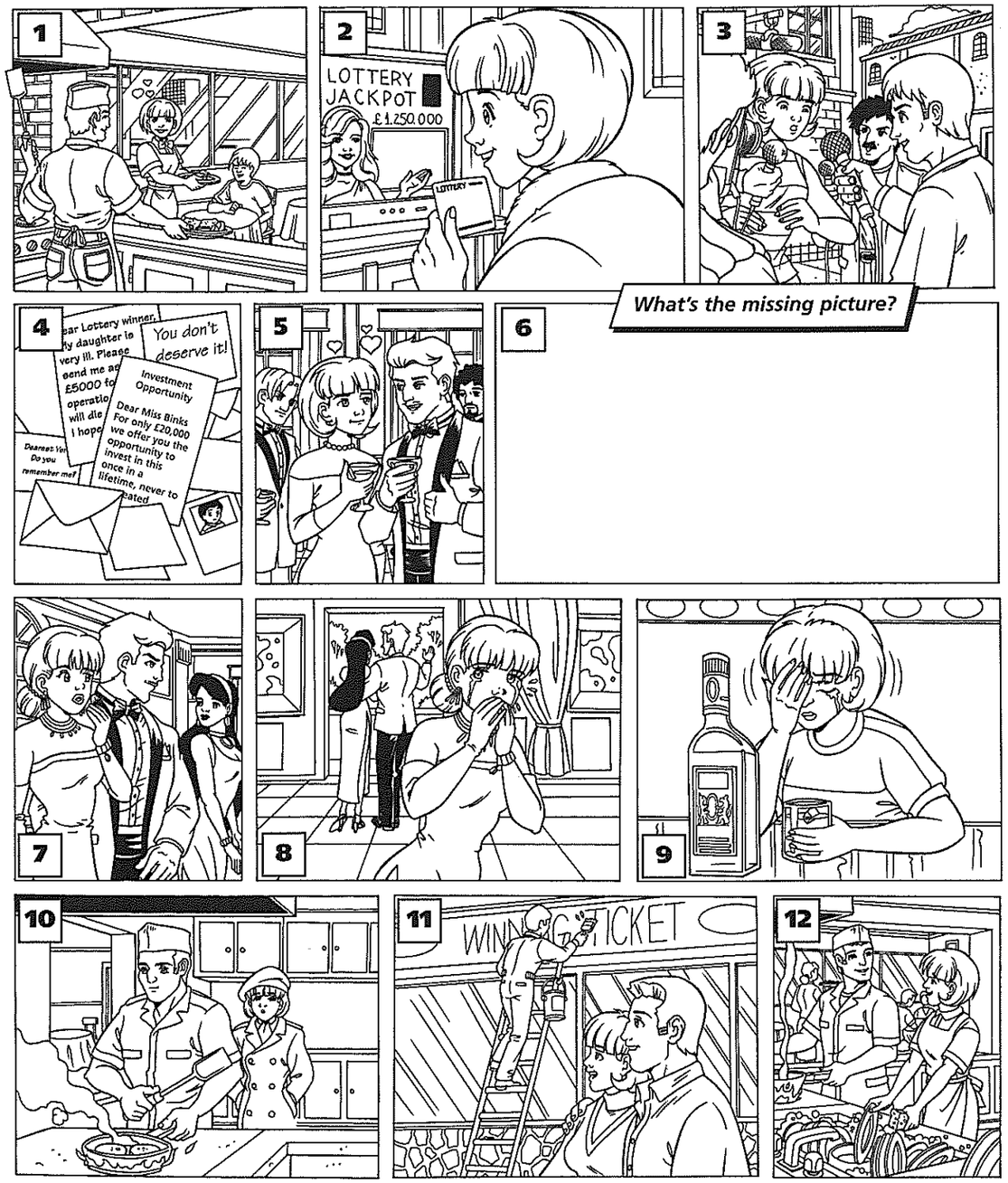
b Work in pairs and prepare an interview with a modern fashion designer. Student A is the interviewer and Student B is the fashion designer. Ask questions like ...
'What do you think the next fashions will be like?
'Which are your favourite clothes today?

Extra activity – Fancy Dress

Work in pairs. Design and draw a costume for a fancy dress party or carnival. Describe the colours and materials of your design to your partner.

17 Lottery win

1 **After only six months of the 'high life', ex-waitress Vera Binks, winner of the £1,250,000 lottery 'jackpot', started work again today – in the kitchen of her own café. Look at the pictures and tell the story.**



Here are some words to help you

to win (1) begging letters (4) to flirt (7) to be heartbroken (8) to decorate (11)

2 **Make a sentence about each picture. Use these words to help you.**

1 Vera and Jack were childhood ..... .

2 Things changed ..... when Vera won a million and a quarter pounds.

3 She got a lot of attention from the ..... .

4 She received hundreds of ..... letters.

5 She started going to cocktail parties and fell for a ..... and wealthy man.

6 He ..... with her and flattered her.

7 She spent a fortune on designer clothes and beauty ..... .

8 When her new lover left her she was ..... .

9 She started to drink ..... and take anti-depressants.

10 She went back to see Jack. He was ..... to make a fresh start.

11 Vera bought the café and had it ..... .

12 Vera and Jack are happy to be working ..... again.

alcohol
flirted
delighted
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treatments
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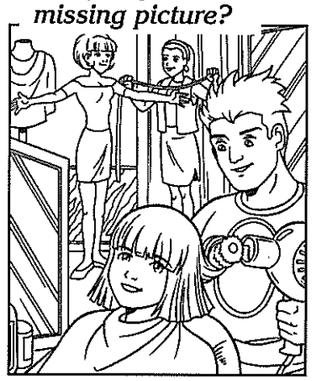
sweethearts
together

Did you guess the missing picture?



3 (33) **Listen to the story and check your answers to Exercise 2.**

4 **What words in the story mean ...**

1 desperately asking for money? .....

2 to say nice things to someone to get something from them? .....

3 aim in life? .....

4 young lovers? .....

5 a lot of money? .....

5 (34) **Listen to the interview with Jack.**

a Answer the questions:
1 Did Jack stay in touch with Vera after she won the money?
2 Has she fully recovered yet?

b Work in pairs and prepare an interview with Vera. Student A is the interviewer and Student B is Vera. Ask questions like ...

'What was it like to win so much money?'
'How do you feel now?'

Extra activity
– The begging letter
Work in small groups. Each group represents different organisations. Plan and write a letter to Vera Binks asking for financial support for a specific project. Explain why your project needs money. The class then represents Vera and decides which projects to support.

Extension activities

a To talk about
Is the lottery a good thing or a bad thing?
What would you do if you won £500,000 tomorrow?

b Write 'Lottery win' in your own words.

TAPESCRIPTS

1 Another day, another dollar

Story

James Cash is a very rich man – in fact, he's a multi-millionaire. He is thirty-five years old and lives in a mansion in the country. He is the chairman of a big company. Every day he has breakfast in bed. He usually has boiled eggs and champagne! He makes phone calls and reads the newspapers at breakfast time. Then he gets dressed. His servants help him. He always wears a smart suit to the office.

At seven o'clock his chauffeur drives him to his office. He has business meetings every morning. Every afternoon he looks at the sales reports. Sales go up every year because business is good. In the evenings he likes to entertain important business clients. They often go to his favourite night club, Madame JoJo's. They have dinner, drink champagne and watch a cabaret. At two o'clock in the morning his chauffeur drives him home. He goes to bed half an hour later, and dreams about sales figures. James is always exhausted. The next day is exactly the same. Would you want a job like his?

Interview

Interviewer: It's well-known that Mr Cash is one of the richest men in Britain. Does he work every day?

PA: Umm, well, he doesn't usually work on Sundays – except when he has business visitors, or a special meeting, or if he's on a business trip, or if the company is very busy ... which, actually, is quite often so...

Interviewer: So in fact he works seven days most weeks?

PA: Yes, I suppose so – but he has a holiday every year. He goes to his villa in the south of France.

Interviewer: And how long is his holiday?

PA: Well, he goes for a month in August, but he usually comes back early. He says he gets bored.

Interviewer: Why do you think he works so hard?

PA: He loves it! The company is his life! He doesn't have anything else. It's not for me, though. I'm leaving my job next month and going travelling! There's more to life than money!

2 Environmental disaster

Story

Last night there was an accident in the South China sea, near the Philippines. An oil tanker hit a fishing boat. The collision happened in very stormy weather at half past two in the morning. The fishing boat sank, but the crew got into a life raft. The tanker didn't see the men in the life raft and didn't stop. There was a big hole in the bow of the oil tanker and thousands of tons of oil came out, and leaked into the sea. The fishermen sent up rockets and flares. A rescue boat saw them and rescued the fishermen. They gave them blankets and hot drinks but they were still very cold and shocked.

This morning, in daylight, a search helicopter saw all the oil on the sea. Special boats are spraying chemicals on the oil but the beaches are already polluted. A lot of fish and seabirds are caught in the oil. It is a very bad day indeed for the fishing and tourism industries.

Interview

Interviewer: Pito, what was the first you knew of the danger?

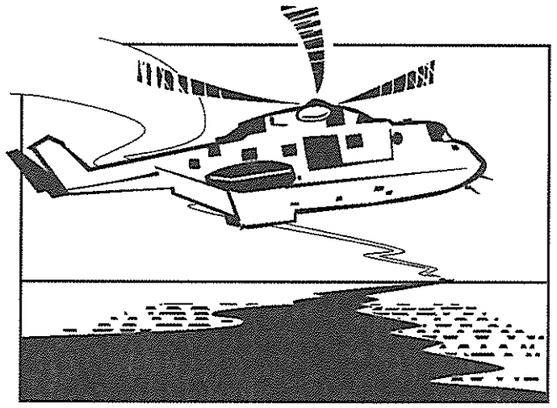
Fisherman: I was downstairs in the cabin. I was cooking some fish for me, and the others. Then, I heard a terrible smashing noise. I didn't know what it was. Then the tanker was on top of us like a big grey mountain. The next thing I knew we were all fighting for life in the cold water.

Interviewer: Was it very difficult to get into the life raft?

Fisherman: It was almost impossible. It was dark, the boat was sinking, and the sea was very rough. But we did it.

Interviewer: Were you surprised that the tanker didn't stop?

Fisherman: We sent up flares, when we were in the life raft. I'm sure they saw them, but they didn't come back for us. They don't care about a few fishermen!

Interviewer: How are the rest of the crew feeling at the moment?

Fisherman: Well, we're all alive, and that's something! But the worst thing is that we've lost our boat. How can we catch fish without a boat? How will we live? It's absolutely terrible.