

EXPRESSING SURPRISE AND DISBELIEF

Student A

- 1 Read the statements to your partner. Your partner will respond and ask a question. Continue the conversation for as long as you can. Then swap roles.

- 1 I've just won the lottery!
- 2 I've just met someone really famous!
- 3 My photograph was awarded first prize in a competition.

A I've just won the lottery!

B Are you kidding me? How much did you win?

Useful language

Expressing surprise and disbelief

I can't believe you actually ...

Are you kidding me?/Seriously?

I find that hard to believe.


You can't be serious.

That can't be true./Unbelievable!

- 2 Write questions using the passive. Then ask your partner the quiz questions.

A Quick Quiz!

-  1 When / the Taj Mahal / build? (17th century)

-  2 Where / paper money / first use? (China)

-  3 What / marmalade / make from? (oranges)

- 3 Listen to your partner's questions. Circle the correct option. Express surprise using the Useful language, if appropriate.

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| 1 a Africa | b Alaska | c India |
| 2 a the 1950s | b the 1960s | c the 1970s |
| 3 a plastic | b sand | c plants |

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Student B

- 1 Listen to your partner's statements. Respond and ask a question. Continue the conversation for as long as you can. Then swap roles.

- 1 I'm going to appear on a TV programme!
- 2 I've just won two free tickets for a trip around the world!
- 3 I'm going to climb an active volcano.

B I'm going to appear on a TV programme!

A Seriously? Which TV programme?

Useful language

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You can't be serious.

That can't be true./Unbelievable!

- 2 Listen to your partner's questions. Circle the correct option. Express surprise using the Useful language, if appropriate.

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| 1 a 15th century | b 16th century | c 17th century |
| 2 a China | b India | c Japan |
| 3 a oranges | b strawberries | c plums |

- 3 Write questions using the passive. Then ask your partner the quiz questions.

A Quick Quiz!

-  1 Where / diamonds / first discover? (India)

-  2 When / the internet / invent? (1960s)

-  3 What / glass / make from? (sand)