

**The Q Classroom**

Activity A, p. 96

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. "Take a risk" means doing something with the possibility of loss or failure.
2. I am a risk-taker. I like to try new foods without knowing if I will enjoy them. / I am not a risk-taker. I like to know for certain if I will enjoy or be good at something.
3. One of the people is wing-walking. Another person is climbing a mountain. In the video photo, the person is wingsuit-gliding.

Activity B, p. 97

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. I think that excitement is a common reason for people to take risks. Skydiving, racing, and mountain climbing are all examples of risks that could bring someone excitement.
2. Doing something new can be risky. It is risky because someone might not succeed. I took a risk by deciding to learn English.

**PREVIEW THE UNIT**

Activity A, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

Activity B, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

**READING 1**

**PREVIEW THE READING**

Activity A, p. 98

- They don't think it's too risky.
- They like a challenge.
- They love the feeling of excitement.
- It makes them focus on the present moment.

Activity B, p. 98

Answers will vary. Possible answer:

Motorcycle racing is very risky. The riders go very fast around the track. If they fall, they could be badly injured. Also, they ride very close to each other. If one rider falls, other riders fall as well and can get hurt too. But it looks very exciting.

Activity C, p. 98

Answers will vary.

**WORK WITH THE READING**

Activity B, pp. 100–101

1. a
2. b
3. a
4. a
5. b
6. b
7. a
8. b
9. a
10. a

Activity D, p. 101

- a. 5
- b. 4
- c. 3
- d. 2

Activity E, p. 102

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

<b>Main idea</b>	<b>Example</b>
Higher tolerance of risk	<i>Daron Rahlves, a ski racer</i>
Fear of risk	<i>Al Read: forget about fear and go back</i>
Adrenaline flow	<i>Al Read: exhilaration afterward</i>
Risk perception	<i>Climbers prepare for activity and don't see it as a risk.</i>

Activity F, p. 102

1. the fun of it
2. mental character
3. could be killed
4. without oxygen
5. people think it is

Activity G, p. 102

1. c
2. d
3. b
4. a

**WRITE WHAT YOU THINK**

Activity A, B, p. 103

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. I think downhill skiing is risky. You are moving incredibly fast, and you can easily fall and injure yourself. Also, if you do injure yourself, you're up in the mountains far from a hospital. Someone who skis frequently wouldn't see downhill skiing as that risky because they have probably skied many times without getting hurt. They probably feel very much in control when they ski.
2. Yes, fishing seems risky. The ocean is dangerous and unpredictable. If you have an accident on the ocean, there might not be anyone around to help you. You could die from the cold water, or you could drown. You could also be eaten by a shark.
3. Mountain climbing seems very dangerous to people who don't do it because they aren't familiar with the safety equipment and the skills that mountain climbers have. They imagine climbing without equipment, and that would be scary and dangerous. And if you fell from

a mountain, you would probably die. Also, accidents are big news stories. People hear more about climbers that have accidents than they do about climbers who don't have any problems.

**READING SKILL**

Activity A, p. 104

1. Underlined: some people  
Circled: the rest of us
2. Underlined: others  
Circled: most of us
3. Underlined: others  
Circled: many people
4. Underlined: certain people  
Circled: others
5. Underlined: these types of people  
Circled: others

Activity B, p. 104

Underlined: some people, These types of people, them, a certain type of person, certain types of people  
Circled: most of us, The majority of people, The rest of us, The rest of us

**READING 2**

**PREVIEW THE READING**

Activity A, p. 105

Answers will vary. Possible answer:

She wanted to improve how she felt about herself.

Activity B, p. 105

Answers will vary. Possible answer:

When I was eight years old, I broke my arm. All of my friends were learning to play volleyball. I couldn't play because of my arm, but I wanted to learn the game. So I volunteered to be the scorekeeper when my friends played. After two months, my arm was healed, and I

could play volleyball with my friends.

Activity C, p. 105

Answers will vary.

### WORK WITH THE READING

Activity B, p. 108

1. goal
2. conquer
3. determined
4. bravely
5. role
6. distinctive
7. earn
8. ultimate
9. significant

Activity D, p. 108

- a. 3
- b. 4
- c. 2
- d. 1
- e. 6
- f. 5

Activity E, p. 109

1. 2
2. 4
3. 6
4. 3

Activity F, p. 109

1. 1250; 4
2. imperfect; 4
3. 1996; 5
4. 45; 6
5. 150; 6
6. bracelet; 7

Activity G, p. 109

1. F; 6 Kelly was glad that her husband was climbing directly behind her.
2. F; 7 Craig was not sure they would ever make another climb.
3. T; 5
4. T; 3

5. F; 6 The gloves are to help people going down the mountain.

### WRITE WHAT YOU THINK

Activity A, p. 110

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. She would rather face the challenge of climbing mountains than the challenge of being ill.
2. Yes, because after her transplant she was trying to change her image and prove herself. / No, because she always loved the challenge of being outdoors.

Activity B, p. 110

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. Yes. They need to take risks because they wouldn't be happy without the adrenaline rush. Life without risk would seem dull. I think they would be unhappy. If they didn't do risky sports, they might find riskier things to do. For example, they might drive too fast on the highway to get the adrenaline rush.
2. Yes, most people perceive risk differently when they are older. When you are young, the possibility of serious injury isn't very real. When you get older and have more experience, it becomes more real. I think that's because you have more life experience. When you're older, you've seen the things that can happen when you take risks.

### VOCABULARY SKILL

Activity A, p. 111

Answers will vary depending on which dictionary is used.

Activity B, p. 111

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. My brother was driven to be the best student in his class.
2. He embraced the challenge of medical school.
3. My sister has a real appetite for learning.
4. The most important ingredient in learning English is being willing to make mistakes.
5. My cousin took the role of coach for our basketball team.
6. Ibraheem earned our respect with all of his hard work.
7. The face of the mountain is solid granite.

#### WRITING SKILL

##### Activity B, p. 113

1. The writer gives background information in the first paragraph.
2. An opportunity to fulfill this dream came to me one day, and I decided to take the risk and go for it.
3. The writer includes two body paragraphs. Students should mark paragraphs 2 and 3 with brackets.
4. Answers will vary.
5. Taking a huge financial risk was scary, but fulfilling a lifelong dream gives you a feeling that can't be described. I felt that I was the luckiest person in the world.

##### Activity C, p. 114

1. c
2. The storm began quickly and wildly. I was sitting in my living room watching the ocean as the waves grew in size and strength. Many people told me I was foolish to stay in my house and not seek shelter away from the beach. But this was my home. I had always stayed put

during previous hurricanes, and this was no exception.

3. Though the flooding went on through the night, the damage had been done in minutes. Some people thought I had taken an unnecessary risk by staying in the house, but saving my neighbor and his family was proof enough for me that I had made the right decision.

#### GRAMMAR

##### Activity A, p. 115

Simple past verbs are boxed and present past perfect verbs are underlined

The storm began quickly and wildly. I was sitting in my living room watching the ocean as the waves grew in size and strength. Many people told me I was foolish to stay in my house and not seek shelter away from the beach. But this was my home. I had always stayed put during previous hurricanes, and this was no exception. I knew I was taking a risk, but I thought maybe I could help others who might be in need.

The ferocious winds died down almost as quickly as they had started. As I inspected my house, I realized the basement contained 60 centimeters of water. Fortunately, I had removed anything valuable before the storm. Then I noticed the flood of water running down the street. The street was no more, replaced by a river running through the neighborhood. As I was surveying the area, I heard shouts from down the street. I walked out to the garage and grabbed my kayak. This would provide my transportation for the next few hours.

I paddled down the street to where the shouts were coming from. One of my

neighbors—another risk-taker—had stayed in his house, but the water had poured into the second floor. He and his family, including two small children, were left with only the attic to stay in. I tied a rope to each of the children and placed them into the kayak. I paddled them to the end of the street where the water subsided and pavement was visible. We finally reached an undamaged home, and I lifted the children to safety. Then I returned to help their parents.

Answers will vary.

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Activity B, pp. 115–116

1. past/present
2. past/present
3. present
4. past
5. present/past

Activity C, p. 116

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. I ride my bike
2. I drink water
3. I speak English fluently
4. people did not drive cars
5. I prepare my meals at home
6. I do not watch TV

### **UNIT ASSIGNMENT**

#### **PLAN AND WRITE**

Activity A, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

Activity B, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

Activity C, iQ Online Resource