



# Charities



# Instant Lessons

EXAMPLE BOOK

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## Lesson Plan: Charities

**Lessons:** Introduction reading, listening, speaking (seminar) and writing.

**Time:** 1-1.5 hours

**Level:** \*\*\*\*\*[B1/ B2/C1].

### Lesson Aim:

*To focus on one key topic and develop a range of key academic skills based on this topic.*

### Introduction [5 minutes]

- Introduce the topic 'charities'.
- Give out **Charities Reading Text Worksheet** and discuss the lead in questions.

### Reading: Test-Type Questions [20-30 minutes]

- Students read the text. Check words & meanings with a dictionary.
- Answer the questions.
- Feedback: distribute or project **ANSWERS**.

### Listening: Lecture & Test Questions [30-40 minutes]

**Video** (03:30): Available in paid download

**MP3:** Available in paid download

- Give out **Listening: mini lecture worksheet**.
- Students check key vocabulary.

#### **Option 1**

- Students look at the questions.
- Students listen & answer the questions.
- Give 2 minutes to tidy answers.
- Students listen again. Check answers & answer missed questions.
- Feedback: distribute or project **ANSWERS**.

#### **Option 2 (harder)**

- Students listen & take notes (use paper or the PPT slides in the Appendix)
- Students listen again & add to their notes.
- Students use their notes to answer the questions.
- Feedback: distribute or project **ANSWERS**.

### Speaking: Seminar [10-15 minutes]

- Give out **Speaking Worksheet**
- Students revise content from the reading & lecture texts.
- Students hold a seminar discussion using the question prompts.  
How to run a seminar: <https://www.academic-englishuk.com/seminars>

### Writing: Summary [20 minutes + tutor feedback]

- This can be a homework task if limited time.
- Students use the two texts (reading and listening) to write a 150-word paragraph on 'how charities  '.
- Tutor to error correct & return - <https://www.academic-englishuk.com/error-correction>

## Charity Reading Text Worksheet

### Task 1: Lead in.

1. What does charity mean?
2. Have you [redacted] charity?
3. Have you ever [redacted] charity?
4. Look at the title of the reading text – what do you think it is about?

### Task 2: Reading text

#### Charity: a brief overview

by A.Watson (2021)

[1] Britain has a long history of philanthropic work. Starting in 1136 [redacted] of St Cross in [redacted] (Historic England, 2021) to care for the elderly, it now has 169,779 registered charities (Clarke, 2020).

[2] Although there are [redacted] causes, the three most popular types are: organisations who raise money for research into diseases, [redacted] of over one billion pounds, the British Council, which aims to build “connections, understanding and trust” [redacted] and education, [redacted]).

[3] Charities raise money through a number of avenues: [redacted] or public [redacted] central or local government donations through funding bodies such as the Arts Council; grants from other [redacted] donations [redacted] (gov.uk, 2016). This combined annual income that charities raise is over £50 billion, and the contribution to the [redacted] (NCVO, 2020).

[4] Apart from the funds raised, [redacted] million volunteers (ibid), who enlist for many different reasons. Some volunteers wish to learn new skills and improve their [redacted] volunteering improves their physical and/or mental health. Some volunteer for just a day, while [redacted] as a full-time job. [redacted] diverse. Opportunities range from working in one of the 11,200 (Charity Retail, ND) charity shops in the UK [redacted] in Africa.

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## Reading Text Questions

### Task 3: Headings

Choose a subheading for each paragraph – one title is not needed.

1		A	
2		B	How it all began.
3		C	
4		D	Volunteering for the British Council.
		E	

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### Task 4: True false or not given

Decide if these statements are true (T), false (F) or not given (NG). **Highlight** the answer in the text.

		T / F / NG
1	The first charity opened in the eleventh century.	
2	Henry _____ he set up.	
3	Charities _____ is one of the most favoured.	
4	The British council uses education to build relations internationally.	
5	Some _____ will.	
6	The government _____	
7	_____ for charities.	
8	_____ employ the most volunteers.	

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### Task 5: Vocabulary

**Key language** – search for the word in the text that means:

Paragraph		<i>word</i>
1	The desire to promote the welfare of others.	
1	Recorded _____ directory.	
2	Physical and mental health.	
2	The _____ organisation.	
3	An _____ something.	
3	Money that is given to help a person or organisation.	
4	Engage _____ support.	
4	The careful _____ to prevent it from disappearing.	

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**Total Score** \_\_\_ / 20

## Listening: Mini Lecture Worksheet

### 1: Key vocabulary

Check these words before listening:

Moat.	_____	Craftmanship.	_____	Acquisition.	To restore.	To preserve.	_____
Dismantled.	Decaying.	_____	Rot.	Infestation.	Monuments.	To _____	Donations.
To secure.	_____	Wills.	Volunteers.	Seasonal.	_____	Relaunched.	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	Medieval.

### 2. Lecture Listening

Listen to the lecture on the National Trust and answer the following questions:



#### 2.1. Introduction

i.	When was the National Trust established?	_____
ii.	How _____	_____

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#### 2.2. Why does the lecturer \_\_\_\_\_ properties?

i.	_____
ii.	_____
iii.	_____

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#### 2.3. Restoration project

i.	When was Ightham Mote built?	_____
ii.	How _____ to restore?	_____
iii.	Why did it _____ money?	_____

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#### 2.4. What do these figures refer to?

i.	£630 million	_____
ii.	_____	_____
iii.	£95.2 million	_____

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#### 2.5. Name three ways the \_\_\_\_\_ activities.

i.	_____
ii.	_____
iii.	_____

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#### 2.6. Why is the National Trust \_\_\_\_\_ ?

i.	_____
ii.	_____
iii.	_____

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#### 2.7. How many \_\_\_\_\_ Trust receive in 2020?

i.	_____
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#### 2.8. Complete the gaps in the following information about the charity's relaunch strategy:

'Nature, beauty and \_\_\_\_\_ For \_\_\_\_\_, for ever' \_\_\_\_\_ / 2

Video link: Available in paid download

Total Score \_\_\_\_ / 20

## Speaking Worksheet

### Discussion speaking

Use the two texts (reading and listening) to discuss these questions.

#### Key sources:

Reading: <b>Watson (2021)</b> Charity Retail Association (2021), Clark (2020), Gov.UK. (2016), Historic England. (2021), NCVO (2020), YouGov. (2018)	Lecture: <b>Watts (2021)</b> National Trust Annual Report (2019/2020)
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### Seminar Questions

- 1) What are charities and what do they do?
- 2) Discuss [redacted] texts.
- 3) Why do you [redacted] charities?
- 4) Why do you think [redacted] charities?
- 5) Summarise your discussion  
(each person summarises one main interesting point discussed)

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## Writing

### Write a summary

Use the two texts (reading and listening) to write a paragraph on 'how charities

[redacted].

Write the 150 words:

## Reading ANSWERS

### Task 3: Headings

Choose a subheading for each paragraph – one title is not needed

1	<b>B</b>	<b>A</b>	The most favoured causes.
2	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	How it all began.

**ALL READING ANSWERS ARE INCLUDED IN PAID VERSION...**

## Listening ANSWERS

### 2.1. Introduction

i.	When was the National Trust established?	<i>1895</i>
ii.	How many acres of land does it own?	<i>610,000</i>

**ALL LISTENING ANSWERS ARE INCLUDED IN PAID VERSION...**

### The National Trust Lecture Transcript






by C. Watts (2021)

*Hello and welcome to this short lecture on Europe's largest conservation charity the National Trust. Established in 1895, with the acquisition of 4.5 acres of cliff land in Wales it now, 125 years later, owns 610,000 acres of land, 780 miles of coastline and more than 500 historic houses, castles, ancient monuments, gardens, parks and nature reserves, which provides access to everyone.*

**THE FULL TRANSCRIPT IS INCLUDED IN THE PAID VERSION...**

## Appendix: PowerPoint Slides

Listen to the lecture and take notes using the PPT slides

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The National Trust</b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WWW.ACADEMIC-ENGLISHUK.COM</b></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Historic Houses</b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WWW.ACADEMIC-ENGLISHUK.COM</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Example: Ightham Mote</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>AE Academic English UK</small></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Annual Income</b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members</li> <li>• Donations</li> <li>• Grants, National Lottery &amp; Art Council</li> <li>• Gifts</li> <li>• Commercial activities</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>AE Academic English UK</small></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Volunteers</b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Visitors</b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Relaunched strategy</b> <i>Nature, beauty.....</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>AE Academic English UK</small></p>	