

Second Edition

Skillful

Solve the
academic
puzzle

Introducing Second Edition Skillful

This 5-level Academic English course is designed specifically for students in university programmes. Using a carefully devised step-by-step approach, the course develops language proficiency and key academic skills that will help students excel at university and beyond.

In recognition that students need to be challenged and engaged, **Skillful Second Edition** sets meaningful tasks with interesting and relevant topic areas, using content that is fresh, dynamic and designed to hold their attention.

The image-rich course material in the latest edition of **Skillful**, enhanced with authentic **Reuters** videos and digital content, encourages learners to study and analyse a wide range of ideas and problems in order to form and express their own opinions confidently. This skill set is invaluable for university and has broader applications away from campus life.



Taking students beyond academic success

 **100%**
INCREASE IN SKILLS
BASED TASKS

The skills-based tasks and activities create an even stronger focus on developing students' use of English and expertise in written and spoken communication.

 **100%**
INCREASE IN
PRONUNCIATION
FOCUS

Increased focus on pronunciation in speaking activities helps students express themselves more clearly when speaking and provides them with a better understanding of spoken English.

 **AUTHENTIC
VIDEO FROM**
 **REUTERS®**

The authentic video material from **Reuters** news agency is integrated throughout the course. Presenting real-world topics in an interesting way that encourages ideas and debate whilst introducing key language and vocabulary.

 **STELLA
COTTRELL**
STUDY SKILLS
EXPERT

Study Skills sections are based on the work of the pioneer researcher and expert in the field, Stella Cottrell. Students can use the invaluable critical thinking tips and activities taken from her **Study Skills Handbook** to improve their academic performance.

 **570**
ACADEMIC WORDS

The syllabus features an *Academic Word List* of the 570 most frequently used words for students and academics. This ensures students learn the vocabulary they need to communicate their ideas clearly and effectively throughout their academic career.

 **OVER
80%**
BRAND NEW
CONTENT

Over 80% of the material spanning the 5-levels in **Skillful Second Edition** is completely new. This includes all-new reading texts and articles, video material, as well as practice activities and tasks.

Teaching with the complete solution

Mirrored book structure

Skillful Second Edition uses the dual skills approach to equip students with the tools needed for academic success. In each of these *Student's Books*, for all levels, one receptive skill is paired with a productive skill.

Reading & Writing Student's Book 1, Unit 7

Listening & Speaking Student's Book 1, Unit 7

Following a shared topic syllabus, the **Skillful Second Edition Reading & Writing** and **Listening & Speaking** Student's books can be seamlessly combined or used independently.

Implementing a shared topic where **Reading & Writing** introduces core concepts, **Listening & Speaking** expands on them.

Videos across the two books present the same topic from varied perspectives.

Digital & additional practice



Digital Student's Book

The *Digital Student's Book* is a page-faithful version of the *Student's Book* embedded with audio, video, interactive versions of the tasks and an automatic score report facility.



Teacher's Resource Centre

The *Teacher's Resource Centre* provides audio, video, worksheets, wordlists and a *Test Generator* to support teachers in the classroom with delivering dynamic lessons.



Online Workbook – Student's Access

The *Online Workbook* provides additional practice activities with automated marking and instant feedback.



Teacher's Presentation Kit

The *Presentation Kit* provides a page-faithful version of the *Student's Book*, activities with answer key, complete with audio and video.



Student's Resource Centre

The *Student's Resource Centre* gives students access to the audio for all the reading passages as well as videos sourced from **Reuters**.



Online Workbook – Teacher's Access

Teachers have access to the *Online Workbook*, with added access to the gradebook feature that allows them to view and compare automatically collated scores for individual students.



Solving the academic puzzle

A successful student is able to demonstrate a greater depth of understanding, using a skill set that shows that they can both learn and think critically.

Skillful Second Edition gives students:

- the skills they need to succeed when reading and listening in academic contexts
- the skills they need to succeed when writing for and speaking to different audiences
- the skills they need for critically examining the issues presented by a speaker and writer
- the study skills they need for learning and remembering the English language and important information

Reading & Writing Student's Book 2 Unit 7

7 FEAR

Discussion point
Discuss with a partner.

- 1 Have you met anyone who has any of the fears in the infographic?
- 2 Why do you think people have these fears?
- 3 Why do you think so many people are scared of different animals?

WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF?

FIVE COMMON FEARS

- 1 **acrophobia:** fear of flying
Fear of flying is often connected to other fears, such as fear of small spaces.
- 2 **mysophobia:** fear of germs
People with this fear often wash a lot and think carefully about what they eat.
- 3 **astraphobia:** fear of thunder and lightning
It is often children who have astraphobia, but some adults have it too.
- 4 **acrophobia:** fear of heights
Most people are cautious in high places but acrophobia can cause serious panic.
- 5 **arachnophobia:** fear of spiders
Even though most spiders are not dangerous this is one of the most common fears.

VIDEO Before you watch
Work with a partner. Rank the ideas for dealing with a fear from the best to worst.

- a Face the fear, e.g. hold a spider, stand on a tall building. ___
- b Breathe calmly and walk around slowly. ___
- c Imagine a happy place. ___

ARACHNOPHOBIA

1 DISCUSSION POINT

The unit opener discussion questions activate schemata and establish existing student topic knowledge in addition to promoting student engagement and preparation for the unit ahead.

2 INFOGRAPHIC

Academic infographics open every unit, capturing student interest and enabling critical thinking.

3 VIDEO

On-theme, level appropriate Reuters news videos are tailored to the students' language abilities, exposing them to English in real-life contexts.

Listening & Speaking Student's Book 2 Unit 7

7 FEAR

Discussion point
Discuss with a partner.

- 1 What else happens to your body when you're afraid?
When I'm afraid my mouth gets dry / I can't move / I feel hot.
- 2 What do you think are the most common fears?
I think the most common fears are the fear of ... and ...
- 3 When was the last time you were afraid? What happened?
The last time I was afraid was ...

How fear works

Our memory of fearful experiences allows us to recognize potential threats.

Our heart pumps blood to our muscles faster because they have to work harder during fight-or-flight responses.

When our muscles become tense, it can cause us to shake.

When we're very afraid, time appears to slow down. It can allow us to remember things in great detail.

The hair on our neck and arms may stand up. This may have helped our hairier ancestors appear larger to potential threats.

VIDEO Before you watch
Before you watch, match the words to the correct definitions.

1 acrophobia (n)	a brave and taking risks
2 daring (adj)	b very scary
3 nerve-wracking (adj)	c a fear of heights
4 skyline (n)	d view of the tops of tall buildings in a city
5 vertigo (n)	e feeling sick and dizzy and think you might fall

SLIP SLIDING AWAY

Reading & Writing

Students are presented with two *reading lessons* which cover different aspects of the topic. These are paired with a complementary *writing model task* so that students can organise ideas and language in preparation for their final end of unit task.

Reading & Writing Student's Book 2, Unit 7

READING SECTIONS
Every Reading section helps develop new reading skills. Vocabulary sections prepare students for the reading activities.

FEARS, learning, coping
Many people have a fear of things like snakes, heights, water, and small spaces. If many people have the same fears, how do we all deal with them?

Writing model
You are going to learn about the learn to organize your notes in the question: "Fear is always bad".

A Analyze
Read the model. Underline the parts and circle the parts of the writing model.

WRITING MODEL
The Analyze sections introduce additional scaffolding to help teach productive skills by providing a model answer. Students get to discuss their ideas. Then they can brainstorm and plan their final writing task, which is usually a paragraph or an essay.

GLOSSARY
Mini Glossaries, in addition to Vocabulary previews and vocabulary pages, help students to easily navigate and comprehend the texts.

GLOSSARY
drown (v) to die by sinking under water
vending machine (n) a machine you can buy things from like candy or drinks

Listening & Speaking

Similar to the *Reading & Writing Student's Book*, students are presented with two *listening lessons* that are paired with *speaking model tasks*. This allows students to first analyse a model, which then helps them to prepare for the final speaking task at the end of the unit.

Listening & Speaking Student's Book 2, Unit 7

WORDLISTS
The vocabulary syllabus closely follows the Macmillan Dictionary's most frequently used words to help students recognise common words and phrases from real-life situations.

BEFORE YOU LISTEN
Graded vocabulary selected from forthcoming listening activities supports students' understanding of the audio, while providing a context for future language application.

Phobias
A Vocabulary preview
1 Match the words in bold with the correct definition.

1 awful (adj)	a afraid
2 certain (adj)	b bad; terrible
3 control (n)	c to make something happen
4 frightened (adj)	d to succeed

Speaking model
You are going to learn how to use the present perfect to talk about your speaking speed, and how to manage these skills to give a presentation on a topic.

A Analyze
1 Read the model and add the sentences.

B Discuss
Answer the questions with a partner.

SPEAKING MODEL
Model text, presented as a dialogue, provides useful practice and engagement with the relevant language structures.



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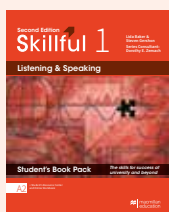
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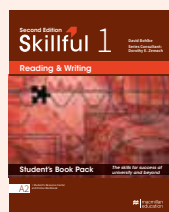
Dedicated Study Skills training
from Stella Cottrell

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FOR STUDENTS



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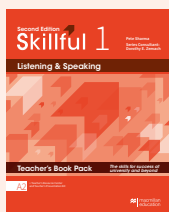


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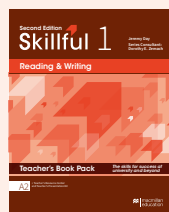


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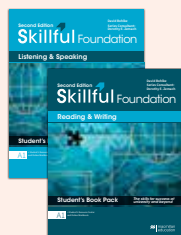
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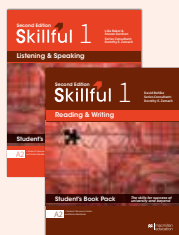
Listening & Speaking Teacher's Book with access to Presentation Kit, Teacher's Resource Centre and Online Workbook



Reading & Writing Teacher's Book with access to Presentation Kit, Teacher's Resource Centre and Online Workbook



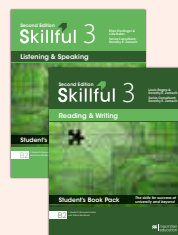
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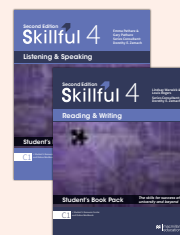
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B2



C1

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Premium Student's Book Pack	9781380010285	9781380010476	9781380010599	9781380010704	9781380010827
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Premium Student's Book Pack	9781380010346	9781380010537	9781380010650	9781380010766	9781380010889
Premium Teacher's Pack	9781380010391	9781380010551	9781380010674	9781380010797	9781380010896

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