

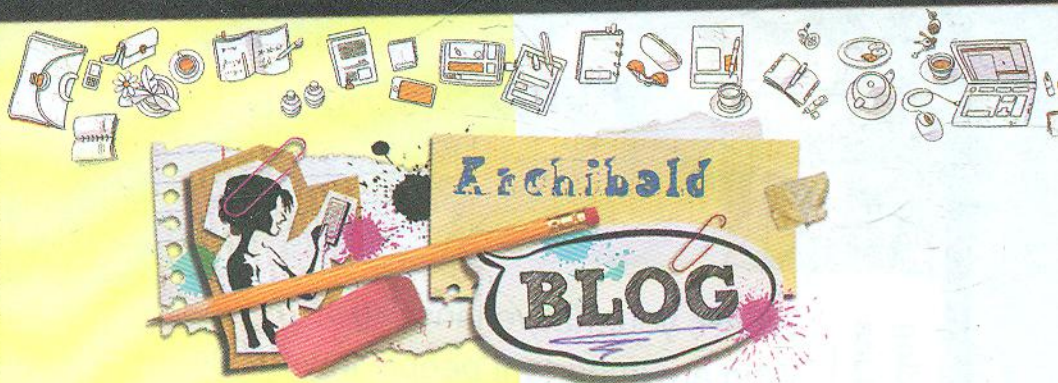
VITAL STATISTICS

READING & VOCABULARY

1 Think and say.

- If you want to get to know someone, what would you want to know about him / her ?

2 Read Peter's blog and find out if the statements on page 7 are true or false.



Call me Archibald. My real name isn't important. In this blog I want to share my ideas with other kids my age. It isn't always easy to talk to our parents or even friends. I'm sure you understand me.

Here is some information about myself. I'm 14 years old. I play water polo. I go to the swimming pool every day except at the weekend. I'm a good swimmer and player although I'm not very tall or very strong. I'm also interested in photography. I

use my dad's small digital camera. It takes great pictures. I've got lots of photos of my friends (of one classmate especially!). I read books about superheroes like Superman. I'm not a superhero myself but I hate injustice and I'd like to have some special powers, too.

I haven't got any brothers or sisters. My parents work hard and spend a lot of time at work, so I'm often alone at home. My mum's a teacher. She prepares for school and she always talks

Lesson 1

- 1 Peter uses his real name in his blog.
- 2 Peter plays water polo five days a week.
- 3 Peter's an only child in the family.
- 4 Peter's mum works in a school.
- 5 Peter's dad thinks he's funny.
- 6 James is Peter's cat.



about her pupils. I sometimes get upset because maybe she thinks they're better than me. My mum says that Pete is such a good pupil. I think he reads my blog. My dad's a mechanic and he fixes cars. He tells jokes all the time and he is never serious. He thinks he has a sense of humour but his jokes aren't always funny!

I have a pet parrot. His name is James. He's got a cage in my room but he rarely stays in it. He usually flies around. He is friendly but he isn't polite; he hasn't got good manners. He never uses the toilet! He also bites computer cables and sometimes my finger!

E-mail me!

3 Work in pairs to answer the questions.

- 1 Think of one example of injustice. Do you hate injustice?
- 2 Who in your family has a good sense of humour?
And in your class?
- 3 Do you know any jokes? Are you good at telling jokes?
- 4 Do you have good manners? Think of one example of good manners.

VOCABULARY BOX

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injustice [ɪn'dʒʌstɪs]

digital ['dɪdʒɪtəl]

the sense of humour

[sens əv 'hju:mə]