



LA001 Language Summaries

Touchstone 1 Unit 1:

Nouns

Personal information

first name
last name
middle name
middle initial
nickname
e-mail address
ID number
passport number
phone / telephone number

School

class
room
student
teacher

Languages

English
French

Free time

concert
(gym) pass
(gym) member

Titles

Miss Mrs.
Mr. Ms.

Pronouns

I you we it

Possessive adjectives

my your

Determiners

a an the

Adjectives

beautiful married same
favorite single different
new

Verbs

am (be) are (be)

Adverbs

here
not
today

Prepositions

at = @ for in

Numbers

zero four eight
one five nine
two six ten
three seven

Basic vocabulary

and No. Yes.

Saying hello

Hello. / Hey. / Hi.
Good morning.
How are you?
How are you doing?
I'm fine, (thanks). How about you?
OK. / Good. / Pretty good.
Nice to meet you.

Saying good-bye

Have a nice day.
Have a good evening.
You too.
See you.
See you later / tomorrow / next week.
Good-bye. / Bye.
Good night.

Talking about classes

Are you here for (a French class)?
Am I in Room B?
We're in different classes.
Oh, no! We're not in the same class.

Polite language

please
Thank you. / Thanks.
Sorry I'm late.

Personal information

My name is (David).
I'm (Emily Kim).
Liz is short for Elizabeth.
What's your name?
How do you spell (your name)?
What's your (e-mail address)?
It's (vlopez6@cup.org).
Are you a student here?
I'm here on business / on vacation.

Taking time to think

Um . . . Wait.

Introducing an idea

By the way, I'm (Adam).
So, (are you a student here)?

Other conversational expressions

It's a beautiful day.
Yeah, it is.
I'm here on vacation.
Nice.
I'm here for the concert.
Me too.

Touchstone 1 Unit 2:

Nouns

Personal items

address book
bag
cell phone
credit card
glasses
key
MP3 player
sunglasses
toy
umbrella
wallet
watch

Things for class

book
dictionary
English book
eraser
highlighter
homework (paper)
notebook
pen
pencil
scissors

Clothes

coat
jeans

People

child (children)
man (men)
woman (women)

Parts of the body

foot
head

Places in a room

closet
floor
wall
window

Things in a classroom

board map
calendar poster
CD player table
chair TV
clock VCR
computer video
desk wastebasket

Food

orange
snack

Pronouns

he she they
this these

Adjectives

asleep
late (for class)
sick

Verbs

are (be) listen (to) write
is (be) look (at)

Adverb

again

Location expressions

at home / work
at (the library)
in class
in (the closet)
in front of (the board)
next to (the window)
on (the table)
on the wall / floor
over there
right here
under (your chair)

Talking about things

What's this / that?

It's a . . .

What are these?

They're . . .

Is this your watch?

Yes, it is. / No, it isn't.

Are these your keys?

Yes, they are. / No, they're not.

Talking about places

Where's (the teacher's coat)?

It's (on the desk).

Where are (the students' papers)?

They're (on the floor).

Giving instructions in class

Answer the questions on page 9.

Listen to the conversation.

Look at Exercise 1.

Open your books to page 4.

Write the word in your notebook.

Asking for help in class

How do you spell (*book*)?

Can I borrow (your pen)?

What's the word for this in English?

Excuse me, can you repeat that, please?

Responding to Thank you and I'm sorry

Thank you.

I'm sorry.

You're welcome.

That's OK.

Thanks.

I'm sorry. I don't know.

Sure.

That's OK. Thanks anyway.

Other conversational expressions

Here you go. Oh, right.

I think . . . Oops!

Maybe . . . Uh-oh.

Oh.

Touchstone 1 Unit 3:

Nouns

Family

parents
mother (mom)
father (dad)
husband
wife
children
daughter
son
sister
brother
grandparents
grandmother (grandma)
grandfather (grandpa)

Professions

actor singer
artist writer
painter

Free time

band movie
CD music

Possessive adjectives

my your his her our their

Numbers

10 ten	16 sixteen	22 twenty-two	28 twenty-eight	70 seventy
11 eleven	17 seventeen	23 twenty-three	29 twenty-nine	80 eighty
12 twelve	18 eighteen	24 twenty-four	30 thirty	90 ninety
13 thirteen	19 nineteen	25 twenty-five	40 forty	100 one hundred
14 fourteen	20 twenty	26 twenty-six	50 fifty	101 a hundred and one
15 fifteen	21 twenty-one	27 twenty-seven	60 sixty	

Categories of people

best friend
boss
celebrity
classmate
co-worker
(tennis) fan
guy
neighbor
student
a friend from high school
a friend of mine

Sports

(tennis) match
(soccer) player
sport
team

School and work

college high school
job

Adjectives

Describing personality

friendly outgoing
fun quiet
lazy shy
nice smart
OK strict

Describing people

famous
good-looking
pretty

Positive descriptions

amazing
exciting
good
great
interesting
wonderful

General descriptions

busy
easy
tired

Verbs

does (do) has (have)

be in statements

I'm you're he's she's we're they're

be in questions

Am I...? Are you / we / they...? Is she / he / it...?

be in negatives

I'm not... You're / We're / They're not...
She's / He's / It's not...

Adverbs

always so
now very
really

Asking and giving personal information

Where are your grandparents from (originally)?

They're from (Texas).

How old are you?

(I'm) twenty-three (years old).

What's (your grandmother) like?

She's very smart.

How are your parents?

They're fine, thanks.

Where are they today?

They're at home.

What are their names?

(Linda) and (Carlos).

I love...

I'm a tennis fan.

Identifying people

Who's this?

It's (my grandmother). This is...

Who's that guy?

Oh, look. It's (Sean Penn). And there's (Norah Jones).

Talking about celebrities

His new movie is great.

Her voice is amazing.

Their matches are exciting.

Their new CD is out now.

Friends is our favorite TV show.

Showing interest and reacting positively

She's from London.

London? Wow. Is she a student here?

She's a painter.

A painter? Really?

Her paintings are wonderful. Look.

Oh. Interesting.

(Angela)? That's a nice name.

Good. Great!

Really? Wow!

Oh? Oh.

Other conversational expressions

Hmm. Wake up!

I know. You know,...

Right?

Touchstone 1 Unit 4:

Nouns

Meals

breakfast
dinner
lunch

Free time

chess (club)
exercise
game
(loud) music
newspaper
softball

Categories of people

law student
people from other
countries
teenager

Adjectives

big noisy
crazy small

Adverbs

a lot
pretty (quiet)
together

Verbs

Routine verbs

come	know	see	watch
drink	like	sing	work
drive	live	study	
exercise	read	talk	

Routine activities

check (my) e-mail	have a busy week
clean the house	have a part-time job
do the laundry	have a weekly routine
eat (breakfast)	make phone calls
get up (early / late)	sing in the shower
go shopping	spend time (on the phone)
have (breakfast / coffee)	spend time online

Drinks

coffee
(can of) soda
tea

Places

(the) beach
country
house
(the) ocean
restaurant

School

homework
work

Things at home

alarm clock
radio

More verbs

Free-time activities

belong to a club
go out
listen to (CDs)
play (games on the
computer)
read (the newspaper)
spend time with (your
family)
watch (TV / videos)

Auxiliary verbs

do don't
does doesn't

Prepositions

in (the business school)
on average
on the (computer / phone)
with

Time expressions

after class
at night
before breakfast
every day
on (Monday) / on Monday(s)
on (the) weekends / on the weekend
in the morning / afternoon / evening
in the morning(s) / afternoon(s) / evening(s)
early (in the morning)
late (at night)

Location expressions

about 20 miles away in bed
around here near (the beach / ocean)

Frequency expressions

one night a week
three times a day / week
five hours a month

Days of the week

Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Sunday
Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday	

Saying more than yes or no

Do you come here every day?
No. Well, I have breakfast here before class.
So do you live around here?
Well, I live about 20 miles away.
Are you from California?
Well, I'm from Chicago originally, ...

Asking for personal information

Do you have brothers and sisters?
Do you live with your parents?
Do you know people from other countries?
Do you read a lot?

Talking about routines

Do you go to a class in the evening?
Yes, I do. / No, I don't.
Does your mother work on the weekends?
Yes, she does. / No, she doesn't.
Do you and your friends play sports after class?
Yes, we do. / No, we don't.
Do your friends call you at night?
Yes, they do. / No, they don't.

Conversational expressions

It's crazy!
I'm pretty busy.
Well, not really.

Touchstone 1 Unit 5:

Nouns

Television shows

cartoon
documentary
game show
reality show
sitcom
soap opera
talk show
(the) commercials
the late movie
the morning shows
the news

Free time

club
computer games
gym
hobby
music
(the) movies

Categories of people

boyfriend
girlfriend

The computer

the Internet
Web site

Adjectives

cheap delicious terrible

Verbs

Free-time activities

eat out
go out for coffee
go to a club
go to the movies
make (new) friends
meet (my) friends
play CDs
relax
rent (a movie)

Routine activities

buy
feel tired
get home
go shopping
go straight home
need a break
sleep late

More verbs

Using the computer

buy / shop online
chat
find information (online)
go on the Internet / go online
look at digital photos
pay bills online
practice English
send / check e-mail

Prepositions

in (English)
in (your neighborhood)
in front of (the TV)

Frequency expressions

always once a week
usually two or three times a week
often twice a month
sometimes
hardly ever
never

Time expressions

during (the commercials)
every night
in (your) free time
on Friday night(s)
on weeknights

Linking words

and but

Talking about likes

I love ...
I really like ...
I like (movies) a lot.
The food's good.
This soup is delicious.
How do you like ... ?

Talking about dislikes

I hate ...
I can't stand ...
I don't like ...
The service is terrible.

Asking about routine activities

What do you do (in your free time / after class)?
When do you usually go out?
Who do you go out with?
Where do you go?
How often do you eat out?
Do you take the subway or the bus?
Do you go straight home?
Do you go somewhere nice?

Other conversational expressions

I mean, ...
Actually, ...
I'm sorry, what?
Are you serious?

Touchstone 1 Unit 6:

Nouns

Places in cities and neighborhoods

city	store
mall	apartment building
museum	fast-food place
park	movie theater
school	outdoor café
stadium	(your local) supermarket
station	the best neighborhood in town

Free time

art exhibit
jazz concert
play
seat
soccer match
sporting event
swimming pool
yoga

Advertising

ad
billboard
funny costume
magazine
pop-up ad
spam
unwanted e-mail

Adjectives

beautiful	hungry
boring	little
convenient	rich
expensive	starving
free	

Verbs

advertise
finish work / school
go to bed
leave (work / school)
need
start

Quantity expressions

no (There's no mall.) a lot of
some a couple of

Time expressions

about (seven o'clock)
around (seven o'clock)
at (five) o'clock
between (9:00) and (5:00)
from (6:00) to (10:00)
tomorrow night
Monday through Saturday
Stores open / close at (9:00).
Buses start running at (5:00 a.m.).
The last train leaves at midnight.

Asking and saying the time

What time . . . ?
What time is it?
It's (eleven) o'clock.
It's (ten) to (nine).
It's 2:00 p.m.
It's 10:00 a.m.
It's ten-thirty.
It's a quarter after (two).
It's a quarter to (nine).
It's six-forty-five.
It's (five) after (two).
It's midnight.
It's noon.

Describing a neighborhood

There's (a park).
There are a lot of (restaurants).
There are a couple of (movie theaters).
There's no (mall).
There's no place to go.
It's a great place to live.

Showing you agree or understand

It has some great restaurants.
Right. But they're expensive.
Yeah, I know.

Showing you're similar

I'm not rich.
Me neither.
I'm starving!
Me too.

Making suggestions

Let's go.
Let's meet at six-forty-five.

Reacting positively to a suggestion

That sounds good.
That sounds like fun.

Other conversational expressions

I bet . . .
In that case, . . .
kind of (expensive)
somewhere else

