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Student Handout — Unit 13 Lesson 1: All about people

Name: _____ Date: _____

You must be logged in to Off2Class to complete these tasks. Open the slide(s) listed, then complete the questions below.

Task 1 — Reading: Kelly and Ahmed (Slide 10)

Skill: Identify the main idea and key details in short personal texts and stories (Upper Beginner, Reading)
Open slide 10 and read about Kelly and Ahmed. Answer the questions.

1. Where do Kelly and her husband live?

Answer: _____

2. Why does Kelly's job suit her?

Answer: _____

3. What does Kelly love?

Answer: _____

4. Who does Ahmed live with?

Answer: _____

5. What does Ahmed's teacher say about him?

Answer: _____

Task 2 — Grammar: That's not true! (Slides 6, 13, 23)

Skill: Use am, is, are, was, and were accurately to describe the present and past, including negatives and contractions (Upper Beginner, Grammar)
Open slide 23 and look at the negative forms of be. Then read slides 6 and 13. Each sentence is false. Write a negative sentence with be. Then write the true sentence.

1. Irina is a doctor.

_____

2. Irina is very talkative.

_____

3. Brandon is lazy.

_____

4. These days, Brandon is in New Zealand.

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Task 3 — Vocabulary: Countries and nationalities (Slides 4, 6, 10, 16, 20)

Skill: Use words for countries, nationalities, languages, and cultures (Upper Beginner, Vocabulary)
Find each person on the slide in brackets. Write the country. Then use the tables on slides 16 and 20 to write the nationality. (Item 6 is not in the tables. Can you guess it?)

1. Jakub (slide 4) is from _____. He's _____.
2. Tommaso (slide 4) is from _____. He's _____.
3. The Smith family (slide 4) is from _____. They're _____.
4. Irina (slide 6) is from _____. She's _____.
5. Kelly (slide 10) is from _____. She's _____.
6. Ahmed (slide 10) is from _____. He's _____.

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Task 4 — Grammar: Questions with be (Slides 10, 13)

Skill: Form yes-no and wh- questions in different tenses and give short answers (Upper Beginner, Grammar)

Write a question with be to ask each person. Then read slides 10 and 13 and write the person's short answer.

1. Ask Vincenzo how old he is.

Question: _____ Answer: _____

2. Ask Vincenzo if he is retired.

Question: _____ Answer: _____

3. Ask Vincenzo if his friends are talkative.

Question: _____ Answer: _____

4. Ask Kelly if she is single.

Question: _____ Answer: _____

Task 5 — Writing: My profile (Slides 10, 13, 27)

Skill: Write simple descriptions of people, places, and things (Upper Beginner, Writing)

Read the profiles on slides 10 and 13 again. Write your own profile.

1. Which person in the lesson is most like you? Why?

_____

2. How are you different from Kelly or Ahmed? Write two sentences.

_____

3. Where do you live? (a big city, a town, a village, the suburbs ...)

_____

4. What do you do? (job or studies)

_____

5. What are you like? Use one word from the lesson (energetic, shy, talkative, hard-working ...).

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Answer Key — Unit 13 Lesson 1: All about people

Task 1

Skill: Identify the main idea and key details in short personal texts and stories (Upper Beginner, Reading)

1. near Adelaide, in South Australia
2. She's very energetic.
3. helping people get in shape
4. his parents
5. He says Ahmed is lazy.

Task 2

Skill: Use am, is, are, was, and were accurately to describe the present and past, including negatives and contractions (Upper Beginner, Grammar)

1. Irina isn't a doctor. She's a musician. (Also accept 's not / is not.)
2. Irina isn't talkative. She's very shy.
3. Brandon isn't lazy. He's very hard-working.
4. Brandon isn't in New Zealand these days. He's in Australia.

Task 3

Skill: Use words for countries, nationalities, languages, and cultures (Upper Beginner, Vocabulary)

1. Poland; Polish
2. Italy; Italian
3. the United States; American
4. Russia; Russian
5. Australia; Australian
6. Egypt; Egyptian

Task 4

Skill: Form yes-no and wh- questions in different tenses and give short answers (Upper Beginner, Grammar)

1. How old are you? – I'm 68.
2. Are you retired? – Yes, I am.
3. Are your friends talkative? – Yes, they are.
4. Are you single? – No, I'm not. I'm married.

Task 5

Skill: Write simple descriptions of people, places, and things (Upper Beginner, Writing)
Guidance: Accept any true sentences. Check am / is / are, contractions and nationality words.

Examples:

1. Brandon is most like me. I'm a chef too, and I love cooking.
2. Kelly is married, but I'm single. Ahmed is lazy, but I'm hard-working.
3. I live in a suburb of Toronto.
4. I'm a student at a college.
5. I'm talkative. I love chatting with my friends.