Unit 9

* Adjective intensifiers, p.73

The words which intensify adjectives represent fixed collocations that make adjectives stronger. Sometimes there is a logical link between the words, e.g. “razor sharp” (sharp as a razor), but in “dead easy”, “dead” is used as another way of saying “very”.

* Do exercises 1 and 2 in the section Adjective intensifiers, p.73
* Living in the past, p.74-75
* Read the two articles about people who have adopted a lifestyle from the past: a man who lives in Victorian times and a women who lives in the 1950s. (p.74-75). Use the context to help you with the new vocabulary. Some of the words are highlighted in the texts and their meanings are not be included in the vocabulary help below. You need to work out their meanings for yourselves in exercise 5, p.74.
* Vocabulary help:

Council worker-radnik u javnom sektoru

Haven- A place of refuge or rest; a sanctuary (skrovište, oaza)

Waistcoat-prsluk

Authentic-original

Car boot sale-ulična prodaja, najčešće predmeta koji su izloženi na gepeku automobila i sl.

Antique fair-sajam na kojemu se prodaju antikviteti

Wasteful-inclined to waste, extravagant

Supportive- providing support

Cooking feature (n)- posude za spremanje i služenje hrane

Mod cons-kuhinjski aparati

Running water-water supplied by pipes into a building

Restore-rebuild

Bathroom fittings-kupatilski namještaj (fittings-namještaj)

Convenience-pogodnost

Genuine-true

Fasten-attach to something else

Pinny-apron (kecelja)

The in thing- the latest fashion

Breadwinner-onaj ko zarađuje za hljeb u porodici

Hectic-haotičan

Ordeal-difficult job

Immaculate-perfectly clean

Distressing-stressful

Courtship-udvaranje

Retro-associated with the past

Cabinet-kuhinjski orman, kredenac

Revolve around-uključuje samo (u ovom tekstu)

Halcyon-calm and peaceful

Mark time- wait patiently

Propose-ask someone to marry you

Ecstatic-joyful, happy

Patronized-podređen (ovdje)

Get teased-biti predmet šale

Devote yourself to something-posvetiti se nečemu

Read the texts and answer the questions in exercise 3, for both Peter Saunders and Joanne Massey. Work out the meanings of the highlighted words in the texts, either from the context or with the help of an online dictionary (exercise 5, p.74)

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Exercise 3, p.74



Exercise 5, p.74

