

# UNIT 5 LANGUAGE SUMMARY

## Adjectives

### Describing remote places

abandoned  
abundant  
anonymous  
bare  
barren  
deserted  
harsh  
hostile  
immense  
isolated  
lush  
nameless  
picturesque  
scenic  
unspoiled  
vast

## Nouns

### Talking about influences

consequence  
force  
impact  
implications  
source  
trigger

## Verbs

### Talking about influences

force  
impact  
influence  
motivate  
result in  
stem from  
trigger

## Insider English

I thought I'd hate working in a big office, but as it turns out, I find it really energizing.

## Glossary

in the loop

## Discussing traveling to remote places

Walking down a crowded, noisy beach, they looked at each other and had the same thought.

Having explored all the spots **close to** home, they found themselves itching for more.

Now addicted to the beauty of unspoiled landscapes, they drove from state to state.

## Commenting on loneliness and working in remote places

I can see how someone (who is) freaked out by solitude would find this job impossible.

Wildfires, (which are) common during the summer season, can happen anytime.

It is an area (that is) known to be extremely difficult to reach.

## Discussing cause and effect

### Signaling cause and effect

More and more people are working from home, and we all know that's due to the digital revolution.

That's why studies found lower stress levels among remote workers, a reduction in their chance of suffering heart attacks and strokes.

This must be thanks to the reduction in distractions that people have at home.

Because of the added flexibility that remote working allows, the gender gap is reduced.

A common side effect of working from home is loneliness.

For all the reasons I've presented, remote work should no longer be just regarded as a job "perk."

As an employee, seeing as how I have more power over the way I do my work, I'm happier and I get more done.

## Writing a company profile

### Creating cohesion with concise statements using participial phrases

The Company, interested for years in remote business models, has gone 100% virtual.

Millennials, already accustomed to working remotely, are the key to a good staff.

Meetings held via video chats are replacing traditional messaging methods.

Employees, happy with their own customized schedules, work far more efficiently.

## Useful phrases

Due to the fact that this role is ... ,

Anyone working in an office all day knows ... , so ...

Having read the description for ... , I think it's fair to say ...

You might think ... , but actually ...

Thanks to ... , the challenges of ... are no longer a problem.

The other jobs ... . Consequently, ours is the best candidate.

# UNIT 6 LANGUAGE SUMMARY

## Adjectives

Using the prefixes *under-* and *over-*

overconfident  
overcrowded  
overdeveloped  
overestimated  
overpaid  
overpriced  
overrated  
overwhelmed  
overworked  
underdeveloped  
underestimated  
underpaid  
underpriced  
underrated  
underwhelmed  
underworked

## Adverbs

Using adverbs to add attitude

deeply (anxious)  
genuinely (surprised)  
highly (unusual)  
immensely (popular)  
incredibly (helpful)  
noticeably (thrilled)  
remarkably (calm)  
understandably (upset)  
utterly (shocked)  
visibly (shaken)

## Insider English

Whatever.  
the good old days

## Glossary

tandem

## Discussing shocks and surprises

What she never expected was to spend the day falling through the air.

What I love most is being there when the client finds out.

It wasn't until it was all over that I realized what a great experience it had been.

The thing that they try hardest to avoid, ironically, is shock.

The reason why is that I get to share in that feeling.

## Talking about great upsets in sports and other contexts

However you look at it, the "Miracle on Ice" was one of the greatest sports upsets of all time.

Whatever the reason, Team USA was significantly underrated.

Whenever there's a big upset, it's always compared to the Miracle on Ice.

Whoever you ask will point to the 1948 U.S. presidential election.

## Discussing the differences between local and global brands

### Adding emphasis

Since then, Seattleites have been totally obsessed with the drink.

But the thing that's most surprising is, despite the hundreds ...

It is local businesses they want to support now.

Vinyl is really making a comeback. Even new music is coming out on vinyl.

Not long ago people really did think that we'd stop buying books altogether.

So, actually, we're talking about two trends here ...

What they have in common is that desire for interaction.

I do wonder whether this trend ... is having an effect on the corporate world.

## Writing a paragraph drawing from multiple sources

### Paraphrasing

To paraphrase, state information from the original text using different words.

### Useful phrases

We should ask if they prefer ...

A good question would be "How do you feel about ...?"

Let's be sure to ask about ...

The reason why we chose X is because ...

The best thing about this surprise is ...

They can ... whenever they want.