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|  | Ottobre | Unit 2: Storytelling <br> Grammar: narrative past tenses, the passive <br> Vocabulary: describing stories <br> Real life: reacting to stories <br> Pronunciation: weak forms in passive verbs; linking and elision <br> Listening: an interview with a film critic; an interview with a professional photographer <br> Reading: an incredible story of a Formula 1 racing driver; an article about the Brothers Grimm <br> Critical thinking: the main message <br> Speaking: a key moment; the stories pictures tell; storytelling <br> Writing: text type (a story); using descriptive words <br> Video: How not to climb a mountain |
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|  | Novembre | Unit 3: Science and technology <br> Grammar: future forms (future continuous and future perfect simple) <br> Vocabulary: materials; describing technology <br> Real life: dealing with problems <br> Pronunciation: American English stress in two-syllable words <br> Listening: three people making predictions about the future; a lecture about overpopulation; an interview from a radio programme about 3D printing <br> Reading: a lecture about overpopulation; an article about appropriate technology <br> Critical thinking: supporting examples <br> Speaking: predictions, the future, technological solutions <br> Writing: text type (short email requests, being polite) <br> Video: 3D-printed prosthetic limbs |


|  Dicembre <br>  Unit 4: Art and creativity <br> Grammar: determiners; expressions of quality <br> Vocabulary: art <br> Real life: describing likes and dislikes <br> Pronunciation: weak form of disappearing sounds <br> Listening: a conversation about two people who are <br> creative in their free time; an extract from a radio <br> programme about what's on in Melbourne <br> Reading: an article about unusual street art; an article <br> about how music helps us <br> Critical thinking: identifying opinions <br> Speaking: art and music <br> Writing: text type (an online review; personalizing your <br> writing) <br> Video: Art for the people |
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| Gennaio | Unit 5: Development <br> Grammar: verb + infinitive or -ing; verbs with both -ing <br> and to + infinitive <br> Vocabulary: urban features <br> Real life: debating issues <br> Pronunciation: rhyming words; sentence stress |
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|  | Listening: someone talking about the development of <br> the Belo Monte dam in Brazil; an interview with a <br> journalist about social development in southern India <br> Reading: an article about urban development in Dubai; <br> an article about the teenage mind <br> Critical thinking: ways of arguing <br> Speaking: changes in your town; a happy society; <br> stages of life <br> Writing: text type (an opinion essay); linking words <br> Video: Scandinavian mega-bridge <br> Watching the movie: The Garden of the Finzi-Continis <br> directed by Vittorio De Sica, 1970 |


|  | Febbraio | Unit 6: Alternative travel <br> Grammar: negative forms, question forms <br> Vocabulary: holiday activities, travel <br> Real life: getting around <br> Pronunciation: intonation in question forms, intonation in sentences with two clauses <br> Listening: someone describing their stay at a mountainside guesthouse; an interview about volunteer vacations <br> Reading: a blog about holidays at home; an extract from a travel magazine about historical hotels <br> Critical thinking: analyzing tone <br> Speaking: planning a staycation, a volunteer holiday, ideas for an unusual hotel <br> Writing: text type (a letter/email of complaint) <br> Video: The unexpected beauty of travelling solo |
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|  | Marzo | Student's book FIREWORDS 1 From the Origins to the Romantic Age <br> S. Mochi, F. Galuzzi, J. Cameron <br> Dea Scuola Black Cat <br> The Origins and the Middle Ages 5th century-1485 <br> The Anglo-Saxons <br> Old English <br> Epic verse <br> Beowulf <br> Beowulf's funeral <br> Watching the movie: Beowulf directed by Robert <br> Zemeckis USA, 2007 <br> Pagan elegy <br> The Seafarer |


|  | Aprile | The Normans <br> From Magna Carta to Human Rights <br> Middle English <br> The ballad <br> Edward, Edward <br> Barbara Allen <br> Project: Modern Ballad <br> -Father and son 1970 by Cat Stevens <br> -Blowing in the wind 1963 by Bob Dylan <br> -Farewell Angelina 1965 by Joan Baez <br> -Me and Bobby Mc Gee 1970 by Janis Joplin <br> - Gracias a la vida 1966 by Violeta Parra <br> -Le gorille 1947 by George Brassens <br> -La ballata di Miché 1966 by Fabrizio De André <br> -Hasta siempre, comandante Che Guevara 1967 by <br> Carlos Puebla <br> Medieval romance <br> The legend of King Arthur <br> The sword in the stone <br> Miracle, mystery and morality plays <br> Goods, come away with me <br> Gothic cathedrals: worship and grandeur |
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|  | Maggio | Geoffrey Chaucer: The Canterbury Tales <br> The pilgrimage to Canterbury <br> The General Prologue <br> The Pardoner <br> Two women: The Prioress and the Wife of Bath <br> Chaucer and Boccaccio |
|  | Giugno | Forgotten writers: Clemence of Barking and Juliana Bernes <br> Civics: Magna Carta (three hours) |

