

Unit 1

Welcome to our department!



After learning this unit, you will be able to:

- talk about college life;
- ask for and give suggestions;
- fill in registration forms.

Look at the picture and discuss:

- 1 What is your major?
- 2 What do you expect of your college life?

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Warming up

Choose three items you will take to college as a freshman.



a guitar



a mobile phone



books



a laptop



a credit card



photos

Listening and Speaking

- 1 Listen to the dialogue about Linda's registration process. The first part of the dialogue is given. The following words and expressions may help you. 🎧

registration admission notice fill in
e-commerce major recent photo

- Tim:** Good morning. What can I do for you?
Linda: Morning. I'm a new student. My name is Linda. I'm here for registration.
Tim: Hi, Linda, my name is Tim. May I have your ID card and Admission Notice, please?
Linda: Sure, here you are.
Tim: Thank you. Now please fill in the registration form.
Linda: OK. Thanks.

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2 Listen again and choose the information about Linda. 🎧

- She is a new student.
- She is Tim's classmate.
- She is a second-year student.
- She is an English major.
- She is an e-commerce major.



3 Work in pairs and put Linda's registration steps in order.

- A. Get her room key.
- B. Fill in the form.
- C. Show her ID card and Admission Notice.
- D. Hand in her photos.



4 Read the following words and expressions. Then listen to the dialogue between Linda and Tim. 🎧

senior hesitate attend review
make it curious depend on



5 Listen again and choose the information you hear. 🎧

- Senior students helped Tim a lot when he was new.
- Linda doesn't know much about e-commerce.
- Linda wants to join Tim's club.
- Linda is excited about her future college life.

6 Work in pairs. Ask and answer the following questions.

- 1. Why did you choose your major?
- 2. What student clubs do you want to join? Why?

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Reading and Vocabulary

- 1 Read the conversation about college life with the help of the following words and expressions. 🎧

independence freedom rely on make a decision
be responsible for make use of privacy
belongings permission frankly

Some new students of Blue Sky College want to learn more about college life. They are now talking with Mrs Brown, their counsellor.

Mrs Brown: I know you all have questions about college life. Just ask, and I'll try my best to answer.

Catherine: Mrs Brown, what's the major difference between high school and college?

Mrs Brown: Independence. As college students, you will have a lot of freedom. That means you must mainly rely on yourselves and make your own decisions. On the other hand, you must be responsible for everything you do.

Steven: I heard that the library is very important for college students. Is that true?

Mrs Brown: Sure. Reading in the library is an important part of college life. You should make full use of the library.

Linda: How about campus activities?

Mrs Brown: There are many interesting activities on campus. They are organised by different student clubs. If interested, you can join them. It's a good way to improve communication skills, to make friends and to enjoy your hobbies.

Peter: This is my first time to share a room with strangers. I feel a little bit uncomfortable. What should I do?



Mrs Brown: Good question. First, don't see your roommates as strangers. They'll probably become your lifelong friends. Second, respect privacy — don't use their belongings without permission. Of course, you can speak frankly about your habits. Communicate often and you'll get along well with one another.

Tips

school counsellor: 学校里协助学生解决问题的指导老师。中国大学里的辅导员老师就属于这类职位。

2 Put the following items into Dos and Don'ts according to Mrs Brown's advice.

Dos	Don'ts

- A. Be responsible for everything you do.
- B. Make full use of the library.
- C. Treat your roommates friendly.
- D. Play your roommate's guitar when he is absent.
- E. Join at least one club.
- F. Tell your roommates that you don't expect to be disturbed while reading.
- G. Tell others about your roommates' family problems.

3 Complete the sentences with the words or expressions in the box. Make changes when necessary.

permission organise be responsible for decision make use of

1. The course was _____ by a training company.
2. We are _____ new machines to produce more products.
3. College students should depend on themselves and make their own _____.
4. You must ask for _____ before taking photographs inside the church.
5. Mike _____ designing the entire project.

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- 4 Discuss with your partner and fill in the form with the details of Mrs Brown's advice.

Main points	Details
independence	rely on yourselves
library	
campus activities	
relationship with roommates	

Can you give more advice on a happy college life?

Grammar for Use

to 的用法

读下面的句子，注意 to 的用法。

1. You also need **to** give me two recent photos of yourself.
2. Just ask, and I'll try my best **to** answer.
3. Welcome **to** our department!
4. We're looking forward **to** seeing you then.

上面这些句子中，to 的用法不同。在例句 1、2 中，to 作动词不定式的标记，后面接动词原形。在例句 3、4 中，to 作介词，后面接名词、代词或动词的 -ing 形式。



Practical Reading

- 1 Read the following registration form. Pay attention to its format.

REGISTRATION FORM

Form No.: ICOT50023 Student No.: ICOT010023EB

Major: e-commerce

Student information

First name	Bernice	Last name	Parshier	Middle name	Allen
Nationality	Canada	Gender	Female	Marital status	Single
Date of birth	23/07/1996	City of birth	Toronto		
Mobile phone	4163368236	Home telephone	0015042702592		
Email	bernicep@hotmail.com				

Previous school information

Name of high school attended Unionville High School
 Dates attended from 09/2008 to 07/2014 (M/Y)

Family information

Father's name Brown Parshier Mother's name Catherine Allen Parshier
 Father's occupation engineer Mother's occupation teacher

Other information

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| 1. I need help to get bank loans. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. I need accommodation on campus for at least a year. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. I need financial support from government programmes. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |

I hereby declare the information I have provided in this form is correct.

Signature *Bernice Allen Parshier*

- 2 Read again and fill in the blanks.

- Bernice Parshier's major is _____.
- Bernice's mother is a(n) _____ and her father is a(n) _____.
- Bernice needs to _____ for at least a year.

- 3 Work in pairs. Ask for and give information about Bernice using the above form.

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Practical Writing

1 Match the items with their corresponding information according to the form in Practical Reading.

- Full name
- Nationality
- Date of birth
- City of birth
- Marital status
- Name of high school
- Major

- Toronto
- Bernice Allen Parshier
- Canada
- Single
- E-commerce
- Unionville High School
- 23/07/1996

2 You are applying for the Oral English Club in your college. Fill in the form with your own information.

Personal information			
Name		Gender	
Grade		Student No.	
Date of birth		Place of birth	
Major		Email	
Address		Telephone	
Hobbies			
Relevant experience			
Why do you want to join the club?			

Project

Investigate your school facilities

- 1 Work in groups of four and choose a school facility to investigate.
- 2 Investigate your school facilities and fill in the form below.
- 3 Make a group presentation on the investigation result.

Aspects \ Facilities	Self-study room	Computer room	Library	Gym
Location				
Opening hours				
Rules and regulations				
Your suggestions:				



Around the World 🌐

There is so much to college!

Life in vocational colleges is very different from that in high schools. Here are three students “showing off” their favourite places at college.



Image salon

The image salon in our college is amazing! You can go there to have your hair cut, to have your shoulders and back massaged, to have nail treatment, etc. The services are professional and the prices are reasonable. The image salon is run by the teachers and students from the Beauty and Hairdressing Department of our college.

Café

I like the café in our college. The atmosphere there is friendly and relaxing. We usually have group discussions there. Sometimes we just sit and chat over a cup of coffee. The waiters and waitresses there are mostly students of our college.



Gym

I like sports, but sometimes I don't want to spend much time on the playground. The gym becomes my best choice. It is air-conditioned and has many exercise facilities. I go to the gym at least twice a week. I often meet students doing part-time jobs there.



My Progress Check

Listening Comprehension

1 Listen to the dialogue and choose the information you hear. 🎧

- Kate is happy about her college life.
- The teachers at college are friendly and knowledgeable.
- Kate thinks that the study at college is harder.
- The college has excellent facilities.

2 How do you find your college life?

1. The schoolmates are friendly and helpful.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Vocabulary and Structure

1 Complete the sentences with the proper form of the given words.

1. We should not forget our _____ (responsible) for protecting nature.
2. Nobody can touch the clock without _____ (permit).
3. College students are not totally _____ (depend) on their parents.
4. Not knowing anyone at the party made her feel _____ (comfort).
5. We should respect others' _____ (private).
6. — What's the _____ (different) between high school and college?
— In my opinion, college life means more _____ (free).

2 Complete the sentences with the proper form of the given verbs.

1. It is a little difficult for me to _____ (answer) the question.
2. Henry is used to _____ (live) in the city.
3. We look forward to your _____ (come).

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4. She needs to _____ (finish) her assignment before tomorrow.
5. He used to _____ (play) tricks on his classmates.
6. The author devoted all his time to _____ (write) this book.

Translation

Translate the sentences into English using the given words or expressions.

1. 大学生应对自己的行为负责。(be responsible for)
2. 你必须依靠自己，自主决定。(rely on)
3. 这是提高交际能力的一种好方法。(It's a good way to...)
4. 这是我平生第一次独自出行。(It's my first time to...)

Reading and Writing

Read the paragraph and write down your understanding of the underlined part in about 50 words.

First, don't see your roommates as strangers. They'll probably become your lifelong friends. Second, respect privacy — don't use their belongings without permission. Of course, you can speak frankly about your habits. Communicate often and you'll get along well with one another.