Had I Known

English · C1

Scan to play the song

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

The grammar · What I need is… (cleft)

Find it: __ / 2

1 · SEE IT

What I didn't count on was the strange relief

2 · LEARN IT

What I need is a hobby	the thing I need is a hobby	**What I'd like to say is hello**	the thing I'd like to say is hello
What I wanted was a car	the thing I wanted was a car	**What you don't see is the kitchen**	the part you don't see is the kitchen
What I miss is the listening	the thing I miss is the listening	**What nobody tells you is that…**	here is something nobody tells you: …

3 · FIND IT

Circle every example of what I need is… (cleft). One line has none.

1. What nobody tells you about starting over
2. My mother still calls me Chloe Ann on Sundays,
3. is that you have to introduce yourself to yourself first.

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] Back home, folks knew my business before I'd had my coffee,
- [ ] that read like an apology for every year I'd spent in Dayton.
- [ ] so I traded "Chloe Ann" for a name that fits a business card.
- [ ] Hi, I'm Chloe, or at least that's the latest version.
- [ ] I showed up at LaGuardia with two suitcases and a resume

Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

My score ____ / 7

For parents: scan to play the song at home. The app is free to try.

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English · C1 · Grammar: What I need is... (cleft) · 7 points

Grammar · Find it (2)

1 what 2 none 3 is

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

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For the teacher

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

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