Where I Stand

English · C1

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The grammar · Idioms about talking

Find it: __ / 1

1 · SEE IT

Anybody can talk the talk in a borrowed tie;

2 · LEARN IT

small talk	polite chat about nothing	**beat around the bush**	avoid saying it directly
cut to the chase	get to the point	**talk the talk**	sound like you belong
read the room	feel the mood of the people	**bite your tongue**	stop yourself from saying it
the gift of gab	a talent for chatting		

3 · FIND IT

Circle every example of idioms about talking. One line has none.

1. the words are half of it, the other half is reading the room.
2. Appreciate you, man, hit me up whenever.

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] I landed from Accra at fourteen, my English polished and proper,
- [ ] It was the Bronx that taught me the rest, block by block:
- [ ] the school-book kind that asks for pardon and never says what's up.
- [ ] Suit on, tie straight, coffee from the bodega.
- [ ] Yo, Bronx, good morning, it's Kofi on the corner.

Sing it together

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

My score ____ / 6

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

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English · C1 · Grammar: Idioms about talking · 6 points

Grammar · Find it (1)

1 room 2 none

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

I landed from Accra at fourteen, my English polished and proper, 3 · It was the Bronx that taught me the rest, block by block: 5 · the school-book kind that asks for pardon and never says what's up. 4 · Suit on, tie straight, coffee from the bodega. 2 · Yo, Bronx, good morning, it's Kofi on the corner. 1

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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