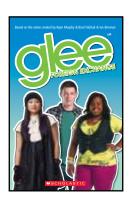
# SCHOLASTIC READERS

# A FREE RESOURCE FOR TEACHERS!





Level 2

This level is suitable for students who have been learning English for at least two years and up to three years. It corresponds with the Common European Framework level A2. Suitable for users of CROWN/TEAM magazines.

### **SYNOPSIS**

Students from a French school visit McKinley High School in Ohio, USA during the school's Multicultural Week. The French students are each given an American partner to promote friendship but this causes a lot of friction and jealousy. High achievers, Rachel and Quinn, are jealous of the beautiful Celeste and her growing friendship with their ex-boyfriend, Finn. 'Bad boy' Puck feels rather disappointed with his own French partner and tries his hardest to attract Arnie's partner, Rielle. The mysterious, brooding French boy Jean-Paul also seems to be interested in Finn whilst Kurt attracts the attention of a group of French girls. At a party Quinn flirts with Jean-Paul to make Finn jealous but it turns out that Jean-Paul is Celeste's ex-boyfriend and he wants her back. Puck succeeds in attracting Rielle's attention with some beautiful song lyrics, although Rielle is clever enough to know they are really Artie's work. Backstage at the Multicultural Week concert, Celeste admits to Rachel that she isn't attracted to Finn and is fed up with boys. Relieved, Rachel helps the two Glee Clubs to give an excellent performance together. Finally, the Americans wave goodbye to their French friends with promises of lasting friendships.

### THE BACK STORY

Glee is an extremely popular American musical comedy-drama TV series that started in 2009 and follows the lives of a group of students whose passion is singing and dancing. The students are not generally popular or particularly clever but they find

camaraderie when they work and perform together in Glee Club. Over the four seasons (so far) the TV audiences have seen relationships develop and change as the students grow older and confront important issues such as teen pregnancy, alcohol problems and other moral and ethical topics. Written and directed by Ryan Murphy, Brad Falchuk and Ian Brennan, *Glee* features new musical performances in every episode, including classic show tunes as well as contemporary and classic rock and pop favourites.

There are currently three books for young adults to accompany the series, all written by Sophia Lowell. *Glee: The Beginning* was written as a prequel to the series – it happens before the series starts. *Glee: Foreign Exchange* is set midway through the second series and *Glee: Summer Break* is the third in the series. None of the books is based on an actual TV episode.

### **MEDIA LINKS**

**DVD:** All episodes of the TV series *Glee* from Seasons 1,2 and 3 are available on DVD.

**CD:** An audio recording of *Glee: Foreign Exchange* is available to accompany the Scholastic Reader.

**Internet:** Find out more about the series at **www.fox.com/glee**. **Books:** This reader is the second of three Scholastic Readers from *Glee*. Also available are *Glee: The Beginning* and *Glee: Summer Break*. The original books by Sophia Lowell are published by Headline Publishing Group.

# HOW TO USE YOUR SCHOLASTIC READER

## **Choosing and motivating**

Is this the right story for your class? Have the students seen the TV series *Glee*? Motivate them with background information and by looking at People and places (pages 4–5 of the book) and talking about the characters. Do the students know anything about them already? Next, you can discuss high school in America (pages 6–7) and compare American school with the students' own schools. Finally, read the first part of Chapter 1 with plenty of dramatic expression.

# Organising

Plan a class reading schedule for the class. Decide how many pages to set for reading each week. Have feedback sessions on these pages. Encourage students to ask each other questions. Then select exercises from the Self-Study section at the back of the reader and extra activities from this resource sheet to go with each chunk of reading. (All answers on page 4 of this resource sheet.)

### Using the CD

Students can listen and follow in their books. They can listen and then read. They can read and then listen. All these activities will improve their reading speeds and skills.

# Using the DVDs

Select the English language option on the DVD. Choose an episode to show when the class have finished the book, as a reward.

### Glossary

Go to 'New Words' at the back of the reader. Translate the words with the class or get students to find meanings at home. The Vocabulary Builder on page 3 of this resource sheet practises the new words in a different context.

# **Casual language**

Introduce the informal expressions used in *Glee: Foreign Exchange* (see Vocabulary Builder on page 3 of this resource sheet). Put them into context. Ask students to look out for them as they read.

### **Fact Files**

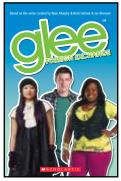
Set these as self-study or use for whole class work. These provide background information about basketball, foreign exchanges and the characters in the book.

# What did they think?

Get everyone to do a written or spoken review of *Glee: Foreign Exchange*. Compare opinions. Will they watch the series? Did *you* like it? Let us know at **readers@link2English.com**.

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# **RESOURCE SHEET STUDENT ACTIVITIES**



i) Fruit

ii) Mexican food

ii) They enjoy the song.

performance?

f) What do the French students think of Glee Club's

i) They don't understand what's happening.



# - EXTRA

Pe	eople and places and Hig	h school in America
1	Who	
a)	wants to be famous?	Rachel
b)	can play the guitar?	
c)	is the head of McKinley High?	
d)	is going to have a baby?	
e)	likes fashionable clothes a lot?	
f)	teaches the McKinley cheerleaders?	
g)	is a Spanish teacher?	
2	Which person would you most	like to meet? Why?
Cl	napters 1–2	
1	Choose the correct answers.	
a)	When does the story happen?	
	i) Summer	
	(ii) Winter	
b)	Why doesn't Mr Schuester tell the immediately?	e students his news
	i) He's waiting for some inform	ation.
	ii) Some students aren't there.	
c)	Why is Rachel angry with Quinn?	•
	i) She's Finn's girlfriend.	
	ii) She won't be at the Glee Club	meeting.
d)	What does Rachel agree with Qu	inn?
	i) To stop talking to Finn.	
	ii) To miss lessons.	
e)	What did Rachel eat for lunch?	

# **2** Correct the sentences.

# Mercedes

- a) Puck comes to school with Kurt.
- b) Rachel always practises after school.
- c) Finn is the father of Quinn's baby.
- d) Mr Schuester gives the students some cake.
- e) Philippe first met Mr Schuester last year.
- f) Kurt wants a stylish coat from France.

	napters 3-5		
1	Match the Glee Club studen	ts a	and their French partn
a)	Finn	i)	Marc
b)	Rachel	ii)	Celeste
c)	Quinn i	ii)	Jean-Paul
d)	Artie i	v)	Nicolas
e)	Puck	v)	Rielle
f) l	Mercedes	/i)	Gerard
2	Put these events in the corre	ect	order.
a)	Celeste kisses Finn.		
b)	Rielle walks past Puck without	lo	oking at him.
c)	Mercedes and Marc go shopping.		
d)	Philippe meets Principal Figgins.		
e)	Rachel and Jean-Paul watch Finn playing basketball.		
f)	Finn invites Celeste to the party.		
g)	The French Glee students perform a song.		
h)	The students eat Italian food in the cafeteria.		
i)	Rielle plays a song for Artie.		
ch re	Work in pairs. Think of thre eerleaders to be in the Multi asons for them NOT to be in the other students.  hapters 6–9	cu	tural Show and three
Cl			re they talking to?
	Who says these things? Who	) a	ic they talking to:
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<b>1</b> a)	•		
<b>1</b> a) b)	'What? You don't like him?' 'I said two weeks. It was only		Rachel to Celest
<b>1</b> a) b)	'What? You don't like him?' 'I said two weeks. It was only four days!'		Rachel to Celest
<b>1</b> a) b) c) d)	'What? You don't like him?' 'I said two weeks. It was only four days!' 'Come back if you want to.'		Rachel to Celest
<b>1</b> a) b) c) d)	'What? You don't like him?' 'I said two weeks. It was only four days!' 'Come back if you want to.' 'Oh, I gave them to Rielle.'		Rachel to Celest
1 a) b) c) d) e) f)	'What? You don't like him?' 'I said two weeks. It was only four days!' 'Come back if you want to.' 'Oh, I gave them to Rielle.' 'Will Finn be there?'		Rachel to Celest

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#### **2** Choose the correct words to complete the sentences. **VOCABULARY BUILDER** a) Finn waves at (Celeste) / Rachel at basketball practice. 1 Choose the best word from the 'New Words' list. b) Celeste is eating *Italian / Indian* food while she talks to Rachel. stage 1. Singers and dancers stand on it. c) Rachel tells *Principal Figgins / Mr Schuester* that Quinn has 2. Dry yourself with it after a shower. ..... missed lessons. 3. People do indoor sports here. d) Quinn has a sleep in the car / library. 4. Do this at the end of a good show! ..... e) Jean-Paul and Celeste talk in the house / garden at the party. 5. Students eat here at school. f) The cheerleaders perform before / after the Glee Club at the 6. You get this if you eat something g) The French students leave McKinley High on a bus / train. 7. You can make music with this. 3 Answer the questions. 2 Complete the sentences with words from the 'New a) What does Celeste really feel about Finn? Words' list. He's a nice guy, but not a great guy. 1. Are you .....? This is a stupid idea! b) What does Puck do with Artie's songs? 2. I ..... my friends when they are away. 3. Susie likes Tony a lot. Look she's ..... with c) Why does Quinn ask Jean-Paul to the party? 4. Rita is ...... She's going to have the baby ..... d) Who is the best singer in French Glee Club? 5. Peter said he loved Helena and then he ..... e) Why doesn't Glee Club get more money? 6. My brother is the best footballer in school. He's a ...... ..... player. 4 Work in pairs. Who or which do you prefer? Why? Write Casual language two more choices for another pair to talk about. • Ex (p.11, p.41 and p.43). Rachel is Finn's ex- girlfriend. She a) Basketball or football was his girlfriend but she isn't now. We use 'ex' to say that b) Celeste or Rachel something is over, finished. c) Mexican food or Italian food 'I mean' (p.17 and p.31). We say this when we want to add something or make something clearer. 'Losers' (p.9, p.11, p.21 and p.35). We say this when we **FINAL TASKS** want to say something bad about someone. It means that 1 Imagine you are Celeste (or another French student). they can't do anything well. Write a page for your blog after your first day at McKinley 'Sweet!' (p.32). We say this when we are pleased with something. 2 Work in pairs. Design a poster for the show in Multicultural Week. Choose the right expression to complete the sentences. 3 Work in small groups. Imagine some foreign students 1. Is that your boyfriend over there? are coming to stay at your school for a week. Plan what you No, he's my ...... would do while they are there. 2. I'm having a big party on the beach for my birthday. 4 Write an email from Philippe to Mr Schu from France to thank him for the good time they had and invite the '.....!' **McKinley High Glee Club to France.** 3. 'Who's your favourite band?' 5 Work in pairs. Imagine a teacher tells you that a Glee Club 'It's Coldplay. ....., I know is going to start in your school. Talk about these questions. they're getting older now - but I still love their music!' a) Do you think it will be popular? Why/Why not? b) Who do you think will join? 4. 'That boy in class 8 is a .....! c) Is it a good idea to have a Glee Club in a school? Why/Why He's horrible to the younger kids.' 'Yeah, I agree,' d) Is there another type of club you would like to have more

than a Glee Club? Why?

# **FACT FILE FOLLOW-UP**

# WHICH GLEE CHARACTER ARE YOU? (pages 48–9) Discussion and presentation

Students work in pairs to choose a new character for *Glee*. They should think about the character's appearance, personality and talents and give him/her a name. They can then present this new character to the class. Finally, the whole class votes on the best new character to have.

#### Game

Play '20 questions'. Choose one of the characters from the book and whisper or show the name to one student, who comes to the front of the class. The other students take it in turns to ask questions in order to try and guess the character. The student at the front can only answer 'yes' or 'no' and students only have 20 questions. If someone guesses correctly, they come to the front and the game begins again with another character.

### BASKETBALL (pages 50-1)

### Quiz

The class reads the Fact File. In pairs, students prepare 5–10 questions about the information, for example: When did basketball first start? How many people are there in a basketball team? Put pairs together to make small groups and let the students quiz each other, taking it in turns to ask questions and answer.

### Research and writing

Ask students to research a famous basketball player from their country or another. They should find out information about his/her life, his/her achievements and any interesting facts. They then write a fact file and present their player to the other students.

# FOREIGN EXCHANGES (pages 52-3)

# Interview

Students work in pairs. One student is working on the school newspaper. The other student has just returned from a foreign exchange. Based on the *Real Life Exchanges* on page 53, students ask and answer questions about their trip abroad. Students should think about both positive and negative experiences and about what the exchange student has learnt abroad.

# **Video/presentation**

Put students in small groups and ask them to plan a short video to show foreign exchange students what their school is like before they arrive. They should think about:

- · which aspects of the school to film
- the most important things to say on the video voiceover
- who to interview (students and teachers)
- what background music and/or sound effects to include

Students can then write and record a voiceover for their video / presentation or they can actually make the short film.

# FILM/CD FOLLOW-UP

If you plan to show an episode of Glee in class, watch it yourself first to check it is suitable for your class. Identify good places to pause. The dialogue is fast and slangy with American accents.

### Observation

Play a scene from the film and ask students to watch carefully. Ask questions about the scene afterwards. Then play another scene and students have to watch this time to write at least two questions each for their partners to answer.

### Prediction

Freeze-frame a scene or stop the CD just before a dramatic moment. Students say what is about to happen and what has just happened.

### **ANSWER KEY**

# **Self-Study Activities (pages 54–6)**

- 1 a) stage b) food poisoning c) kissed d) cafeteria, show
- 2 a) iv b) v c) i d) iii e) ii
- 3 Open answers.
- 4 a) To hear Mr Schuester's news.
- b) Some French students are going to visit.
- c) Because he has a problem like Artie that makes him not confident.
- d) Because she agrees with Quinn, so Quinn will come to practice.
- e) Mexican food
- f) Lady Marmalade, because it has some French words in it.
- 5 Open answers.
- **6** a) gymnasium b) drums c) towel d) heart e) clapped f) crazy g) flirt
- 7 Open answers.
- 8 a) T b) F. He hates it. c) T d) F. They don't look at him. e) F. They have Italian. f) T g) F. He wants Artie to help him.
- 9 a) iii b) iv c) v d) i e) ii
- 10, 11 Open answers.
- 12 The correct order is: d, f, b, i, h, c, a, e, g.
- 13 Open answers.

### **Resource Sheet Activities**

### People and places and High school in America

- 1 b) Rielle c) Principal Figgins d) Quinn e) Kurt f) Coach Sylvester g) Mr Schuester
- 2 Open answers.

### Chapters 1-2

- 1 b) ii c) ii d) i e) i f) i
- 2 b) Rachel always practises before school.
  - c)  ${f Puck}$  is the father of Quinn's baby.
  - d) Mr Schuester gives the students some croissants.
  - e) Philippe first met Mr Schuester in 1994.
  - f) Kurt wants a stylish bag from France.
- g) Cyrano de Bergerac has a big **nose**.

### Chapters 3-5

- $\textbf{1} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{b)} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{iii} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{c)} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{iv} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{d)} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{v} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{e)} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{vi} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{f)} \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{i} \\$
- 2 The correct order is: d, b, h, e, i, a, g, f, c.
- **3** Open answers.

### Chapters 6-9

- 1 b) Quinn to Rachel
  - c) Mr Schuester to Santana and Brittany
  - d) Puck to Artie
  - e) Jean-Paul to Quinn
  - f) Principal Figgins to Coach Sylvester
  - g) Rachel to Celeste
- 2 b) Indian c) Principal Figgins d) library e) garden f) before g) bus
- **3** Possible answers:
  - b) He gives them to Rielle (and says that he wrote them).
- c) Because she wants the American boys to see her with a French boy.
- d) Celeste
- e) Because the cafeteria needs the money for new fridges.
- 4 Open answers.

### **Vocabulary Builder**

- 1 2. towel 3. gymnasium 4. clap 5. cafeteria 6. food poisoning 7. drum
- 2 2. miss 3. flirting 4. pregnant 5. kissed 6. talented

### **Casual language**

1. ex-boyfriend 2. Sweet! 3. I mean 4. loser