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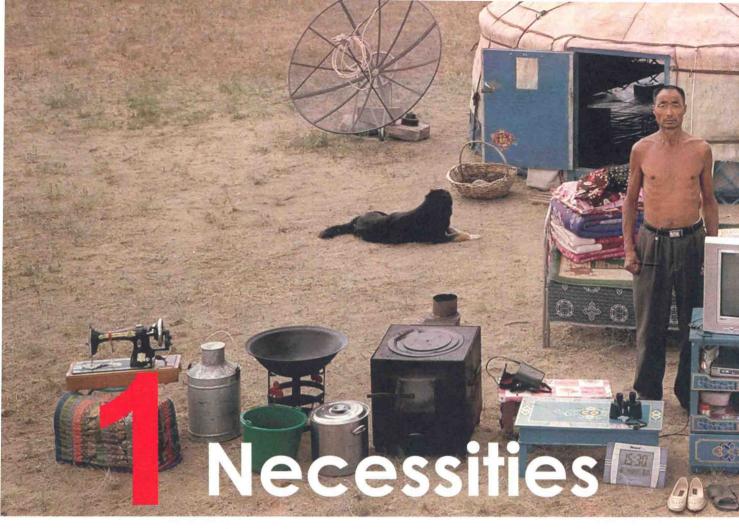
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Featured TED Talks







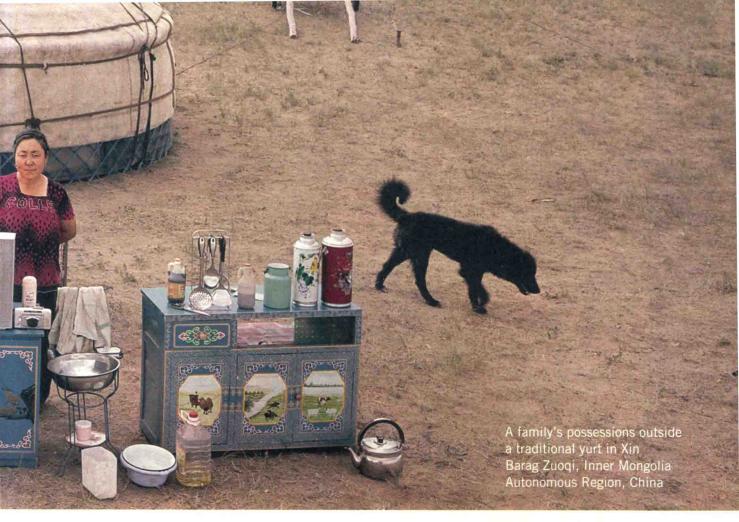
BACKGROUND

- 1 You are going to watch a TED Talk by Graham Hill called *Less stuff, more happiness*. Read the text about the speaker and the talk, then answer the questions.
 - 1 Hill's website promotes a lifestyle that doesn't harm the planet. What sorts of actions or choices do you think he recommends/ discourages?
 - 2 Hill believes that we can be happier if we have fewer possessions. Do you think he's right?
 - 3 How easy do you find it to get rid of stuff?

TEDTALKS

GRAHAM HILL is a North American journalist who studied architecture and design. He founded TreeHugger.com, a website dedicated to promoting a lifestyle that doesn't harm the planet and to making complex environmental issues easier to understand. He's currently the CEO of LifeEdited, a project devoted to living well with less. Graham Hill's idea worth spreading is that we can actually be happier with fewer things, so long as we are able to edit our lives in smart, practical ways.





KEY WORDS

- 2 Read the sentences (1–6). The words in bold are used in the TED Talk. Guess the meaning of the words. Then match the words with their definitions (a–f).
 - Even though I had everything money could buy, my happiness flat-lined.
 - 2 | crowdsourced advice on the best green holiday options.
 - 3 Deleting my old photographs cleared the arteries of my computer.
 - 4 The simple design avoided extraneous elements that would detract from the clean look.
 - 5 The recycling campaign has helped to **stem the inflow** of waste into our local landfill site.
 - 6 The bowls are three different sizes, so they nest, making them easy to store.
 - a reduce the inward movement
 - b via the Internet, asked a lot of people for
 - c not relevant or related
 - d stopped increasing, but didn't decrease
 - e removed unnecessary stuff from the inner workings of
 - f fit one inside the other

AUTHENTIC LISTENING SKILLS Relaxed

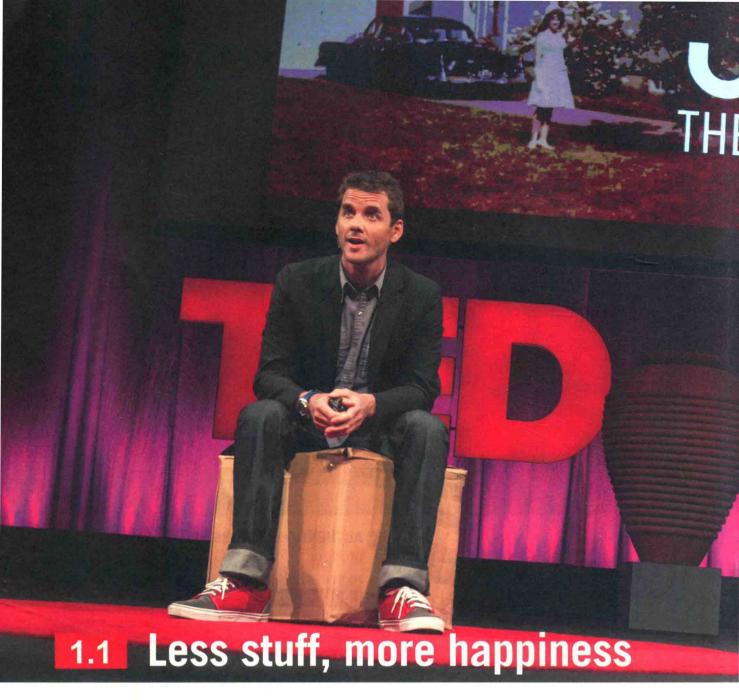
pronunciation

When some words combine with of, have or to, some sounds in the word may be lost or changed in speech. In addition, the of, have or to is reduced to a weak /ə/ sound, for example kind of — kinda; should have — shoulda; want to — wanna.

- 3a \(\) 1 Look at the Authentic listening skills box. Then listen to sentences 1–3. Underline the expressions with to and of that are reduced and changed.
 - 1 So I'm going to suggest that less stuff and less space are going to equal a smaller footprint.
 - 2 First of all, you have to edit ruthlessly.
 - 3 We've got to cut the extraneous out of our lives, and we've got to learn to stem the inflow.
- 3b 2 Read extracts 4 and 5. Which expressions do you think will be reduced or changed? Listen and check.
 - 4 ... we combine a moving wall with transformer furniture to get a lot out of the space. My bed just pops out of the wall with two fingers.
 - 5 Most of us, maybe all of us, are here pretty happily for a bunch of days with a couple of bags ...







TEDTALKS

- 1 Natch the TED Talk. Number the five topics (a—e) in the order Graham Hill discusses them.
 - a examples of situations where we live comfortably with less
 - b three ways to 'live little'
 - c the personal storage industry
 - d the contents of the box discussed
 - e Hill's 420 square foot (39 m2) apartment and how he got it
- 2 Work in pairs. Check your answers to Exercise 1.
- 3 Now much of the talk can you remember?

 Answer the questions. Then watch the first part

 (0.00–2.55) of the talk again and check your answers.
 - 1 How much has the typical living space in the USA increased in the past 50 years?
 - 2 In addition to having more space, what other two things have increased for the average North American?
 - 3 What, significantly, hasn't increased for North Americans in the past 50 years?
 - 4 What three benefits of having less stuff and living in a smaller space does Graham Hill name?
 - 5 Hill talks about having an 'edited' set of possessions. What does he mean by that?







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- 4 L1 Watch the second part (2.56–4.42) of the talk again. What examples does Hill give for his three main approaches (1–3) to life editing?
 - 1 Edit your possessions cut the extraneous and learn to stem the inflow.
 - 2 Repeat the mantra: small is sexy.
 - 3 Use multifunctional spaces and housewares.
- 5 National Match the third part (4.43 to the end) of the talk again. Answer the questions.
 - 1 How much does Graham Hill suggest we could reduce our living space by?
 - 2 What does he point out about the people who are attending the TED Talk?
 - 3 What does he say 'life editing' will give us more of?
 - 4 What does the symbol < = > mean?
- 6 Hill uses a lot of examples from the USA in his TED Talk. How do you think issues of living space / amount of material possessions compare in China?

VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT

- 7 L 1.2 Watch the clips from the TED Talk. Choose the correct meaning of the words.
- 8 Complete the sentences in your own words. Then discuss with a partner.
 - 1 If I had to edit my possessions ruthlessly, I'd start by getting rid of ...
 - 2 My personal mantra is ...
 - 3 My ... is / are digitized.

CRITICAL THINKING Identifying aims

- 9 Look at this list of reasons for giving a talk. Which most accurately describes the main aim of Graham Hill's TED Talk?
 - 1 to entertain by telling an interesting and sometimes funny personal story
 - 2 to give the listener new information
 - 3 to persuade using objective facts
 - 4 to inform and ask the listener to make a specific decision or choice
 - 5 to persuade by making an emotional appeal
- 10 Read the comments* about the TED Talk. Which one of them mentions details that show what Hill's main aim was?







Erica – Great talk, and completely true. And I love his apartment. I want one!

*The comments were created for this activity.

PRESENTATION SKILLS Using props

Props can be an extremely useful tool for presenters. A well-chosen prop:

- · stimulates the audience's curiosity or builds anticipation.
- provides a visual focus.
- helps clarify or reinforce an idea.
- may help the audience relate to your ideas.
- can help the audience visualize a complex idea or process.
- serves as an example.
- isn't distracting.
- makes your talk memorable.
- 11 Look at the Presentation tips box. Then watch how Graham Hill uses his cardboard box in the TED Talk. Answer the questions.
 - 1 How does Hill's box both build anticipation and reinforce his ideas?
 - 2 Hill stands in front of the box for most of the talk. Do you think the box is distracting to the audience? Why? / Why not?
 - 3 What other props might Hill have used to make the same point?
- Work in pairs. Prepare a two-minute mini-presentation. Make some brief notes on one of these topics. Think of a simple prop you could use to illustrate each of the talk topics.
 - 1 air pollution
 - 2 the benefits of regular exercise
 - 3 money spent by the public on holidays abroad
 - 4 a comparison of the size of homes and living space around the world
 - 5 the working lives of factory employees
- 13 Work with a new partner. Take turns to give your presentation. Remember the advice from the Presentation tips box to help you use your prop effectively.



1.2 I'm wide awake

READING Why do we sleep?

- 1 Work in pairs. Discuss the questions.
 - 1 About how many hours do you sleep per night?
 - 2 Would you prefer to sleep more or less, or do you sleep the right amount?
 - 3 Do you tend to wake up early and feel alert in the morning, or do you feel alert at night and stay up late?
- 2 Read the article. Then work in pairs to share your answers to the questions.
 - 1 How long can a human go without sleeping?
 - 2 What happens when you stay awake for eleven days?
 - 3 How much sleep do we need?
 - 4 What tricks do people use to try to stay awake?
 - 5 Can sleep deprivation cause any problems?
 - 6 Why do we sleep?
- 3 Work in groups. Discuss and decide whether the article contradicts or supports the following statements.
 - 1 Randy Gardner is the world-record holder for staying awake.
 - 2 Sleep deprivation causes people to lose touch with reality.
 - 3 The brain basically shuts off when we fall asleep.
 - 4 A healthy adult should have a minimum of eight hours' sleep each night.
 - 5 Light can have a strong effect on the natural sleep cycle.
 - 6 Not getting enough sleep could shorten your life.
 - 7 It's impossible for anyone to function for more than a few days without getting a solid night's sleep.
 - 8 The only documented instances of sleep deprivation lasting more than two or three days are experiments carried out by scientists.
- 4 Work in pairs. Match the expressions from the article with the definitions (a–f).
 - 1 Gardner was wide awake.
 - 2 Gardner began to nod off uncontrollably.
 - 3 He needed to sleep on it.
 - 4 She drifted off to sleep.
 - 5 He hadn't slept a wink.
 - 6 He didn't **oversleep** in the mornings that followed.
 - a wait until the next day to make a decision
 - b gradually fall asleep
 - c had no sleep
 - d fall asleep when you don't mean to
 - e wake up later than you mean to
 - f completely alert

VOCABULARY The prefixes over- and under-

- 5 When attached to a verb or adjective, the prefix overcan be used to mean more than necessary and undercan mean less than necessary or not enough. What's the meaning of these words from the article?
 - Sleep is undervalued in the modern world as a means of staying healthy, happy and productive.
 - 2 The dangers of being too tired are often underestimated.
 - 3 Being overworked and exhausted slows brain function.
 - 4 But don't overdo it!
 - 5 Eleven- to seventeen-year-olds are probably undersleeping if they don't get an average of 8.5 to 9.5 hours a night.
- 6 Work in pairs. Use words with over- and under-to redescribe the following statements.
 - 1 We needed more staff in the office.
 - 2 People use the word awesome far more than is necessary.
 - 3 It's easy to spend too much money on luxuries.
 - 4 My idea isn't developed enough.
 - 5 The bus was so crowded that it was unsafe.
 - 6 We estimated that 500 people would visit, but only 300 came.
 - 7 I'm surprised this restaurant isn't more highly rated.
 - 8 The price of the movie was too high.
- 7 Work in pairs. Discuss the questions.
 - 1 What places in your area are frequently overcrowded?
 - 2 Can you think of a product or resource that is underused?
 - 3 What products or services do you think are overpriced?
 - 4 Can you think of a book, film, restaurant, or something else that you feel is underrated?
 - 5 Can you think of a book, film, restaurant, or something else that you feel is overrated?
 - 6 What suggestions would you give to those who are undersleeping?

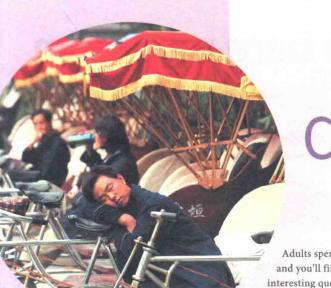
SPEAKING Talking about things we need

8 21st CENTURY OUTCOMES

Sleep is a necessity for a healthy, happy life. Make a list of other human necessities.

- 9 In small groups, compare your lists. Then try to agree on the five most important necessities for daily life.
- Quite a few college students pursue expensive things such as fancy clothing, handbags and smartphones. Some of those who are short of money even use high-interest-rate online loans for their purchase, putting great financial pressure on themselves and their parents. Discuss this phenomenon from the perspective of necessities and luxuries in your group.

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do we sleep?

Adults spend, on average, a third of their lives asleep. But ask the question above, and you'll find that there isn't a clear or simple answer. But there are plenty of other interesting questions ... and answers.

How long can a human go without sleeping? In 1965, seventeen-year-old Randy Gardner of San Diego, California stayed awake for 264 hours and 24 minutes – just over eleven days – breaking the then world record of 260 hours. Gardner's record has been broken several times since, though not by much, and it remains the best-documented sleep-deprivation experiment ever conducted.

What happens when you stay awake for eleven days? On the first day of the experiment, Gardner was wide awake and ready to go at six in the morning. By day two, however, his thinking showed signs of becoming less clear. When asked to identify simple objects by feeling them with his hands, he found it difficult. By day three, he had become unusually moody. On day four, he began to hallucinate, imagining that he was a famous American football player. Nights were difficult, as Gardner began to nod off uncontrollably. His friends kept him awake by driving him around in the car and playing pinball and basketball with him. As the days passed, Gardner's speech became less clear, he felt dizzy, his vision was blurred and his memory began to fail. He also continued to

Amazingly, after Gardner finally fell asleep he slept for only fourteen hours and forty minutes and awoke refreshed and alert and he didn't oversleep in the mornings that followed.

How much sleep do we need? Sleep is undervalued in the modern world as a means of staying healthy, happy and productive. But there's no 'magic number' of hours you need to sleep each night. According to the Sleep Foundation, people who are eighteen and older usually need between seven and nine hours per night, and eleven-to seventeen-year-olds are probably undersleeping if they don't get an average of 8.5 to 9.5 hours. Younger kids need more sleep, and infants the most – fourteen to fifteen hours daily – to stay healthy.

What tricks do people use to try to stay awake? One of the most common tricks for staying awake is drinking coffee, tea or soft drinks that contain caffeine, a naturally-occurring chemical found in the leaves, seeds, nuts and/or berries of various plants. It stimulates the brain, makes us feel more alert and even helps us think more quickly. Other techniques include getting up and moving around regularly, listening to lively music, splashing cold water on your face, and pulling on the bottom part of your ears. Soldiers have been kept awake – and focused – by wearing special goggles that shine a light the colour of sunrise into their eyes, keeping their brains in 'wake-up' mode. But don't overdo it! Eventually, mind and body need a rest.

Can sleep deprivation cause any problems? The dangers of being too tired are often underestimated. Tiredness has been a factor in big disasters, such as the Chernobyl nuclear accident in 1986, and in countless road accidents all over the world every day. Being overworked and exhausted slows brain function, negatively affects judgement, contributes to depression and makes you forgetful. And there are physical problems, too. Chronic sleep deprivation can increase the risk of heart disease and other serious health problems.

Why do we sleep? The best answer may be 'Because we're tired'.

HE NEEDED TO SLEEP ON IT

Albert Einstein, probably one of the greatest minds of all times, is said to have required ten hours' sleep each night. The reason is likely to be that he did a lot of problemsolving while sleeping. Research has found that as we sleep, our minds are able to continue working, and as a result, it's possible to fall asleep with a problem and wake up with a solution.

SHE DRIFTED OFF TO SLEEP

In 2005, Ellen MacArthur broke the world record for the fastest solo round-the-world sailing boat voyage. As part of her training, a sleep expert trained MacArthur to take ten half-hour naps each day, resulting in a total of five hours' sleep in every twenty-four.

Judging by her successes, this approach appears to have worked well for MacArthur.

HE HADN'T SLEPT A WINK

The 2001 TV game show Touch the Truck featured twenty contestants competing to win a brand new pick-up truck. The set-up was simple. Each person put one hand on the truck. They weren't allowed to lean on it or to sit down at all, but were allowed a ten-minute break every two hours and a fifteen-minute break every six hours. The winner was the person who could keep a hand on the truck for the longest period of time. That was Jerry Middleton, who stayed awake for 81 hours, 43 minutes and 31 seconds without letting go of the truck.

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