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INTRODUCTION

Recycling Advanced English is for students at advanced level who wish to improve their general English and/or prepare for the Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) or the revised Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE). It can be used to supplement any coursebook at this level, and is suitable for use in the classroom, for homework, or for self-study.

The book aims to provide:

- coverage of the five main areas of difficulty at advanced level – grammar, phrasal verbs, vocabulary, word study and writing
- concise, clearly-presented explanations
- extensive practice of each point covered
- a strong element of recycling
- a user-friendly, attractive layout, so that the material is accessible and a pleasure to use
- a variety of exercise types which are not exam-specific
- examples of all the CAE and CPE task-types for Papers 2 and 3
- an appendix of useful reference material.

Recycling Advanced English is divided into five distinct sections:

Section 1 GRAMMAR (25 units)

This large section aims to cover all the major grammatical points at advanced level, with practice and revision exercises for consolidation.

Section 2 PHRASAL VERBS (15 units)

In this section, phrasal verbs are grouped according to their particle, and there is also a focus on three-part phrasal verbs and phrasal verbs as nouns, with extensive practice in varying formats.

Section 3 VOCABULARY (22 units)

Here there are texts and tasks presenting and practising vocabulary from key topics which regularly occur in advanced classwork and examination syllabuses.

Section 4 WORD STUDY (17 units)

This section attempts to get beneath the surface of the language and to delve deeper into the linguistic areas which cause difficulties for the advanced learner, such as idioms, false friends, humour and collocations.

RECYCLING UNITS are an important element in Sections 1 – 4, providing consolidation of each block of preceding units. It is therefore advisable to use the Recycling units in the order in which they appear.

Section 5 WRITING (12 units)

This section offers guidance on a number of different writing tasks and styles, with appropriate phrases to learn, as well as practice exercises. All the types of composition required for CAE and CPE are covered, with model answers in the Appendix. There is also a unit offering help with writing tasks.

The APPENDIX provides additional grammar reference material and model answers for writing tasks.

INTRODUCTION

The Third Edition

The book has been revised for a number of reasons: to update some of the texts, to incorporate suggestions made by readers, and to bring the tasks in line with recent revisions to CAE and CPE syllabuses. Much of the book remains essentially the same as its predecessor, but there are minor changes to many units, and major changes to some Use of English tasks, as well as to the whole of the Writing section. There are three completely new units.

New material includes:

- additional word-formation tasks
- additional cloze tasks for CAE
- transformation-sentence tasks for CAE
- additions to the Writing section to cover **all CAE and CPE task-types**
- a sample question and answer in each Writing unit
- a separate focus on each task-type in each Writing unit
- three new units in the Writing section: **Set texts, Competition entries and Contributions to longer pieces**
- a new final unit: **Help with writing tasks.**

I would like to thank all the people who have offered their comments and suggestions. Whether you are using this book for exam preparation, or purely to improve your English at advanced level, I hope you will enjoy **Recycling Advanced English** and find that it motivates you and helps you to make progress.

Clare West, 2009