



TEENTALK ON CD-ROM

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BASED ON the daily routines of twenty-four pupils at a private college in England, this CD displays many of the attractive features that previous users of material from Lingonet in Finland will immediately recognise and appreciate. At the core of this multi-media programme are video clips which when clicked on reveal interviews with the students involved who give their opinions on matters like bullying and career hopes. The 'teacher on demand' facility explains linguistic points which occur in the dialogues, such as the forms and function of the 'like' hesitation in authentic speech. A great deal more user support is also available such as transcripts of all interviews and a more than adequate glossary, along with vocabulary and grammar tasks. The video clips are, on the whole, quite clear, and the sound quality absolutely fine. Such a programme would fit well within courses at lower-intermediate to upper levels while printable material would be excellent as support for any course in which developing oral and aural skills was the emphasis.

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