

London calling

(LEVEL B2/C1)

Part 1: WARM-UP

EX.1.a Look at the pictures below. Can you recognize these famous districts of London? Have you ever visited them? If not, which ones would you like to see and why? Compare your ideas with your partner.



Source: <http://search.creativecommons.org>

EX.1.b Now take a look at their names below and match them with an appropriate picture:

- City of London
- Notting Hill
- Camden Town
- Soho

EX. 2 What are advantages and disadvantages of living in a big, cosmopolitan city? Discuss a few ideas with your partner.

Part 2: VOCABULARY

EX.3.a Match the expressions used in the video with their synonyms

A. vibrant	a. innovative
B. a high-rise	b. for this reason
C. rough	c. someone successful or talented
D. hence	d. a tower block
E. cutting-edge	e. busy
F. a high-flyer	f. dangerous

EX.3.b Now use the expressions in an appropriate form to fill in the sentences below.

1. New York is one of the most capitals of the world.
2. in this company are paid much more than their less ambitious colleagues.
3. The company finally decided to beat the competition and invested in a technology.
4. Suddenly it started to rain; we had to change our plans and stay home.
5. This neighbourhood looks awful. There are far too many buildings around here.
6. I don't like this part of town at all – it looks pretty dodgy and

Part 3: WATCHING

EX.4.a Watch the video once. What did Shoreditch use to be like? What's it like now?

EX. 4.b Watch the video again and answer the questions.

1. What does the nightlife in Shoreditch look like according to Sonny Greene?
2. How did Shoreditch change after World War II?
3. What was Steve Edge's first impression of Shoreditch when he moved in?
4. What was unusual about the way he used to get to work?
5. What makes Shoreditch special according to the artist?
6. What is Korri scared of?
7. Which one is Korri's favourite? Why?

EX.5 Now watch the video again and complete the rhyme about Shoreditch

Welcome to Shoreditch
There's pubs, clubs, bars and
where rave till the morning.
It's now impossible to find
this place borin'
Poets, bands, and gangs
are around here

Graffiti rattles from all over the world
come here

Even the most sophisticated of
leave Shoreditch

But despite the nightlife
there's another side
There's history and
to and

Part 4: AFTER WATCHING:

EX.6. Think about your city or the district you live in. Write a short rhyme (min. 4 lines) about it using at least 3 expressions that you remember from the lesson.