MANUAL

INTRODUCTION

1. Make a copy of the text and exercises for all pupils.
2. Make a copy of the *Words to help you* if you think this is necessary. You can find them on the last page of this manual.
3. Make sure all the pupils have a copy of the Step-by-Step Reading Guide available.

Reading strategy: predicting
Key Visual: word web
Language: writing

Method:
To give the pupils the opportunity to talk about the text and the exercises, it is best to let them work in pairs or threes.

You can use the following clip to illustrate the subject:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3xlZeImPs4Y
(0:39)
It is best to show this video *after* the pupils have read the text.

1 MAKE A PREDICTION

Do **not** hand out the text yet.
Open the text on the interactive whiteboard by using this button on the *Newswise* website:

Click on the blurred sections to open the title, headings and picture separately.

Read the explanation together with the pupils. Explain that activating your background knowledge is very useful every time you read a text, not only texts in the English lessons. *Model* how you would use the reading strategy *predict* by thinking aloud. If you like you can use the following frame:

'I read … [the title, the headings]
I see … [in the picture(s), in the figure, by the font]
I know that … [because I saw that on television last week, I experienced that myself]
So I think that ….'

Let the pupils answer the questions, fill in the word web and read the text. Discuss the answers.

2 FILL IN A PASSPORT

The pupils complete the passport of Grumpy Cat. You can find a completed passport on the next page.

3 ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

The pupils answer the questions about the text in pairs or threes. Encourage them to discuss their answers. You can find the correct answers on the next page.

4 WRITE A FUNNY MEME

In this exercise, the pupils write a last funny meme for Grumpy Cat in pairs or threes. You can ask some pupils to read their memes out loud.

ANSWERS

1.

2. a. when someone leaves, or when you say goodbye to someone who died,
   b. Grumpy Cat
3. a small cat (dwarfism), she has an under-bite, a flat face, bubble eyes, a short tail, her mouth turns down

2.

PASSPORT

Name: **Tardar Sauce**

Nickname: **Grumpy Cat**

Date of birth: **April 2012**

Place of birth: **Arizona**, **USA**

Kind of animal: **cat**

Characteristics: **small**, **under-bite**, **flat face**, **bubble eyes**, **short tail**, **mouth turns down**

Owner: **Tabatha**

Management team: **Tabatha (diary), Bryan (website, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter), Ben Lashes (internet memes)**

Known from: **internet memes**

First time seen on the internet: **September 2012**

Date of death: **May 14, 2019**

3.

1. a. easily annoyed and complaining
   b. because she had a sour face (because her mouth turned down)
2. a. goods that are bought and sold
   b. T-shirts, mugs, toys, books, calendars, video games, apps
3. B. to keep existing or happening without stopping
4. statements 1 and 4 are true

WORDS TO HELP YOU

to grin (line 2) = to smile a wide smile

the dwarfism (line 7) = a condition that causes a person to be smaller than the usual size

the jaw (line 8) = the lower part of your face that moves when you open your mouth

the spirit (line 69) = the form of a dead person, similar to a ghost, or the feeling that a dead person is present although you cannot see them