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Lessons 1–2 Meet an entrepreneur

- 1 Find the words and expressions (a–g) in the passage. Use the context to match them with their meanings (1–7).
- 7 a went for it
- 5 b make his mark
- 3 c legacy
- 6 d build on
- 4 e died out
- 1f hesitant
- g a common good

- 1 not do something quickly because you are nervous
- 2 an advantage or benefit for all people in society or a group
- 3 something that is left behind as a part of history
- 4 to become more and more rare and then disappear completely
- 5 to do something that is important and meaningful or makes you famous or successful
- 6 to start with something and add to it or extend it
- 7 to try to have or achieve something
- 2 Look at the headline of the newspaper article. What do you think the text will be about?

someone who turned their hobby into a business

Meet the Emirati entrepreneur who turned his hobby into a fashion-related business

Driven by passion and a vision, an Emirati entrepreneur is well on the way to contributing to his culture's fashion footprint in the UAE. Mohammed Kazim saw a market for his idea and **went for it**.

Kazim, 32, wanted to **make his mark** in the region, so he decided to resign from his government job to follow his dreams.

"I quit my job with another colleague," he explains. Not long after, along with Muneera Al Tamimi, Ali Al Youha and Amine Mamlouk, he began brainstorming ideas for a project to focus on. After some thought, they concluded that their project should include three main social goals: to preserve identity, represent the Emirati culture and colour people's lives.

"We didn't know where to start," the Dubaibased Kazim admits. "We wanted to leave a good **legacy** in our community, but were clueless about how to move forward."

Kazim and his team decided to **build on** the zbairiya – a traditional men's sandal worn by people in the GCC. They went through historical photographs of the Old Souq in Dubai and the types of footwear people wore in the past.

"We wondered why such footwear **died out** in this part of the world,"he says, adding that the answer was simply that it wasn't comfortable to wear.

Today, people look for style and comfort, something missing from the zbairiyas

of years gone by. So they began their reinvention of the traditional footwear, adding colours and comfort with a 21st-century twist, eventually launching their sandal brand, Tamashee.

The journey was not easy. They were met with many challenges, from the detail and logistics involved in creating their own brand through to finding the right manufacturer. However, their efforts were rewarded when a factory in Spain agreed to work with them.

Tamashee released its first collection last year and it became a big hit. Today, the UAE-based Tamashee sandals are known for their range of colours and comfort. For Tamashee's founders, "colouring life" is dear to their hearts. They place importance on integrating art and fashion in the footwear. For this reason, the team has been recruiting artists from the GCC as a means of encouraging the community to work together and represent the culture of the UAE internationally.

They also make it a priority to educate the community about their products by

providing background information about the materials used.

"We work directly with universities in the GCC to find artists and give exposure to them," Kazim says. Last year in Saudi Arabia, for example, his team found some talented artists, but their families were **hesitant** about their daughters working with Tamashee.

"We – Tamashee's founders – went to their homes and tried to convince their families to allow their daughters to participate for a common good," he says. "It was amazing to work with everyone."

The Tamashee team is also on a mission to raise awareness about people with Down syndrome. A portion of the money from every Tamashee sale supports the UAE Down Syndrome Association.

For Eid, Tamashee introduced embroidery and patterns to its footwear collection, which can be found in the Level Shoe District at Dubai Mall or online at www.tamashee.com.

3	Read the sentences about Mohammed Kazim's experiences. Use information from the text
	to put them in the correct order (1–8)

- Z a Kazim and his team began brainstorming ideas for a new business.
- 8 b New embroidery designs and patterns for the shoes were introduced.
- **1 c** Kazim resigned from his government job.
- d Kazim and his team found a Spanish factory to work with them.
- **4** Kazim and his team redesigned the zbairiya to make it more comfortable and colourful.
- ______f Kazim and his colleagues looked through photographs of the Old Souk.
- **7 g** Kazim's company, Tamashee, released their first collection.
- **5 h** Kazim and his colleagues launched Tamashee.



Lessons 3-4 A nation's entrepreneurial vision

1 Match the word from the box with its definition below.

established strategies
elements
commitment
funds risk
citizens generates
economy
contribute
secure

1	Something that is very safe
2	Money funds
3	A word that means <i>creates</i> or <i>makes</i> generate
4	Something that is already set upestablish
5	People who live and work in a countrycitizen
6	Take a chance/uncertaintyrisk
7	Plans of actionstrategies
8	Parts of something elements
	To give or add something contribute
10	A promise or obligationcommitment
	Management of the country's resources economy

- 2 Replace the adjective in bold with one of the *adverbs* + *adjective* below.

 2 5 3 1
 - 2 5 3 1 4
 particularly important totally shattered really awful extremely clever terribly exciting
- 1 Fahad is **intelligent**: he has managed to set up two small businesses.
- $\boldsymbol{2}$ The ability to work hard is \boldsymbol{key} to the success of any entrepreneur.
- 3 I felt bad when my first business failed.
- **4** It is **thrilling** to set up a business.
- 5 Khulood was **exhausted** after her long day at work.

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Use the space below to plan you challenge a position.	r w	ritin	ıg. I	Ren	nem	ber	to	sup	por	t yo	ur a	argu	ıme	ent o	or		
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Choose the argument that best supports your position.

- 4 Now write your essay.
- Using ideas from Activity 2 in the Coursebook, write two paragraphs arguing your view.
- In your first paragraph support your opinion by giving an example.
- In the second paragraph criticise the opposing view.
- Complete your writing with a concluding paragraph that clearly states which side you support.

Which is better: to work for yourself or to have a boss?

In today's world the more job options we have the better. But there is a constant debate about which is better, to work for an employer or go it alone and set up your own business. In my view ______ is better and in the following paragraphs I will explore this further.



Lessons 5–6 Innovation

- 1 Listen to the proposals again. Then match each word/phrase (1–8) with its meaning (a–h).
- g 1 reshaping
- f 2 technological innovation
- c 3 propose
- h 4 concept
- b 5 work out
- e 6 invest
- a 7 niche
- d 8 prototype

- a to change form
- **b** to give resources to a project
- c present an idea
- d the first version of something
- e an improvement on an older technology
- f to solve a problem
- g a limited market
- h an idea
- **2** Read the short news story about 3D printing in Dubai. Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the future simple passive or present perfect passive.

Over the last two decades, technological innovations like the mobile phone and the Internet have completely reshaped the world we live in. Now, in Dubai, developers are working to improve everyday work life by printing 3D office buildings.

This is not the only 3D printing project that Dubai is working on. 3D printed laboratories in Dubai's Solar Park have been planned (plan) by the Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA) to open in the near future. The hope is that by 2030 at least 25% of buildings in Dubai will be constructed (construct) using this technique.

For now, the office demonstrates the commitment in the UAE to continuing to develop 3D printing. The goal is that by continuing to innovate the 3D printing field, the UAE will be given (give) the status of the global centre of 3D printing by the year 2030.



- **3** Rewrite the following sentences using the passive voice. The first one has been done for you.
- 1 The company will give the innovation team priority moving forward. *Moving forward, the innovation team will be given priority.*
- Will the board complete the plans for the new IT department by next spring?
 Will the plans for the new IT department be completed by next spring?
- 3 I heard that Huda has finished the new 3D printed chocolate prototypes, I can't wait to try them!

 I heard the new 3D printed chocolates have been finished, I can't wait to try them!
- **4** Even though there is bad weather, the council will not cancel the summit.
 - Even though there is bad weather, the summit will not be cancelled.
- **5** The transportation authority has proposed a new international airport in Fujairah.

A new international airport in Fujairah has been proposed.

Language tip

Remember you can use the adverbs **just** and **already** to modify the positive present perfect tense e.g. *that have (just/already) been completed recently.*



Practise and prepare

1 Read the short excerpt from an interview. In pairs, decide what a good title would be. Entrepreneurship and the UAE

Vision 2021, the UAE's national agenda, puts in place plans and strategies for the success of the country. One particularly key element that is focused on is entrepreneurship, this shows the commitment of the Leaders to supporting entrepreneurship amongst its citizens. For any economy having a variety of business encourages competition and productivity and generates wealth, which in turn contributes to the overall efficiency and health of the economy.

2 Look at potential titles for each paragraph from the interview on Coursebook page 134.

Match the titles that summarises the main topic to the correct paragraph. One title will not be used.

- none 1 The dates of Umm al Quwain
 - **d 2** Entrepreneur, an inherited trait?
 - **a 3** Entrepreneurship, not just for geniuses
 - **b 4** Hard work is all you need
 - c 5 Businessman versus entrepreneur
 - **3** Look at the sentences below. Use the phrasal verbs to write you own answers to the questions.

Write about a time when you ...

- 1 came up with a really good idea.
 I came up with a really good idea to solve my mother's storage problem in our home.
- 2 didn't give up on something that was very difficult.

Even though the math assignment was very difficult, I didn't give up and eventually solved it.

3 figured out a solution to something complicated.

The task I was assigned was very complicated, but I figured out a solution and completed it.



4 took on more than you could handle.

I took on a project that was more than I could handle, but thankfully my brother stepped in to help me finish.

5 set up a game or activity for your friends or family.

I set up an activity for my entire family and we all had a great time.

4 Look at the sample answers below. Which answer do you think is better? Why? these answers all provide Why is ACME Cafe your favorite café? more information

1 I like the coffee.

2 I enjoy the atmosphere, and all the comfortable sofas and chairs make me feel like I am in my living room. And the coffee is tasty too!

What is your favourite sport?

- 1 My favourite sport is volleyball.
- 2 I enjoying playing volleyball with all my friends. It helps to keep me fit and I enjoy being part of a team. It is my favourite sport.

What do you like to do at the weekend?

- 1 I enjoy going shopping more than anything else at the weekends. I like going round the shops and cafes with my family. My favourite shops are the book shops.
- 2 I like to go shopping.



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1	Refer to the tex	t on page 136 of	the Cour	sebook. Ci	rcle the	correct a	nswer.
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6		a company: estival for the em ey from outside s	ii ii				nungry, so we stopped aurant for lunch.
2	5	4	2	1	5	3	ions from the box.
	even though	provided that	unless	whereas	SO	because	
1	-	our competition	offers a 20	% discount	t to men	nbers, we o	offer 25%.
2	0	Hotel will lose of the control of the Hotel will lose of the experience with			_ they st	art focusin	g on better customer
3	competition.	we are the first c	ompany to	provide ho	ome del	ivery, we w	rill have little

4 Mona will bring in investors ______ she gives an excellent presentation today.

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5	Turind created an excellent protocype, the investors decided to give their support										
	to a rival firm.										
6	Please remember that we will have a presentation from a start-up company tomorrow morning at 8:30 am, don't be late!										
3	Write half of a subordinating clause. Ask you	r partner to complete your sentence.									
1	Because we were so late leaving our home,										
2	Although we left in time,										
3	As long as you finish your homework,										
4	In case you can't come,										
5	Since he was the first one here,										
6	Until he completes the task,										
	4 Reread the text on page 136 of the Coursebook. Put the underlined words in the correct category.										
	transitions adding more information										
	We believe	moreover									
	And now this leads to To sum up	As a final point Furthermore									

Lessons 9–10 'Brand you'

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				Uses paragraphs
b	2	Uses first names		Expresses ideas clearly and gives detail
a	3	Addresses the recipient using their		
				Uses slang
b	4	Uses short sentences		O
	2	Choose the correct word to comp	lete the senter	nce
	1	Abdullah apologised	for a	accidentally dropping his friend's phone.
		a sincerely b desir		
	2	The two interviewees have		experience.
		a attached b equi	valent	c sincerely
	3		docu	aments that detailed the company's sales.
		a attached b mark	keting	c brand
	4	The company's		
		a requirements b mark		
	5	In Shamsa's	job she is res	sponsible for all finances.
		a marketing b curre		c base
	6	After the	went through, A	Aziz was promoted.
		a current b deal		c requirements
	7	The latest phone by this big brand	is	by all.
		a desired c enth	usiasm	c current
	8	Afra showed great	at the	interview and thus got the job.
		a desired b resp	onsible	c enthusiasm
	9	The company's	campaign	n was targeted at teenagers.
		a attached b curre	ent	c marketing
	10	The job ii	ncluded fluency	in English and Arabic.
		a responsible b requ	irements	c desired
	11	The bign	ames have mos	t of the market.
		a brand b deal		c requirements
	12	In Shamsa's previous job she was		
		a requirements b equi	valent	c responsible

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3 Look at the job advert on Coursebook page 139. Imagine you have all the essential and desired skills for the job. Use some of the fixed phases below to help you write your letter.

Greeting	Dear Sir/Madam, Dear Mr/Mrs,					
Opening Paragraph	I am writing in response to your advertisement.					
	I would like to apply for the position advertised					
	I am interested in the position advertised					
Main Paragraphs	I am currently working in					
	At present I am					
	In my current position I am					
	I am fluent in					
	I am confident that I can					
	My interests include					
	I have the following qualifications					
Closing Paragraphs	I believe I have the skills and experience					
	I have attached my CV.					
	I am available for an interview					
	I look forward to hearing from you.					
Signing off	Yours sincerely/Yours faithfully,					

Lessons 11-12 Teenage business men and women

1 Read the second part of the newspaper article about young successful Emirati.

Did Majed find it difficult to balance work and school? How did he expand his business?

No, he didn't find it difficult; he used local producers and delivered to local businesses

EMIRATI TEEN DELIVERS GREENS

"Even though I was so busy my school grades improved. I think it was because **running** a **business** allowed me to relate school to the real world. It also helped that I was able to pay my friends to deliver the food in the evenings."

People are spending more and more time at work and don't have time to prepare a real, healthy meal. That's why fast food is so popular. It's convenient. Once it became clear to Majed that there was a real need for a healthy food delivery service, he could **see the potential** to make a lot of money.

"Because I was working from my family home I had very few **overheads**. My largest expense was the healthy ingredients, which were very often imported. Then one night, after watching an interesting documentary on the environment and reducing carbon footprints, I had the idea of working with local producers. I got in touch with a few and they were very keen on my proposal."

This proved to be a clever move since **promoting** local producers not only **cut costs** but highlighted the health benefits which helped advertise Majed's service. Before long, local businesses were **signing contracts** with Majed for him to supply meals for their staff



during lunch hours. They believed that the healthy meals, as opposed to fast food or no meals, raised and maintained energy levels leading to increased productivity.

Within two years, Majed was making enough money to move into his own **premises** and start a chain of healthy food delivery outlets across the UAE. He currently employs 2000 staff full-time nationwide. And remember, he is still only nineteen years old. Having achieved so much in such a short time, what's left for him?

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