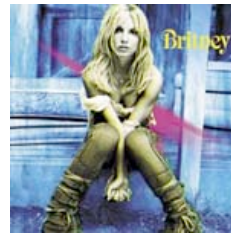
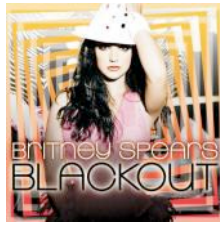
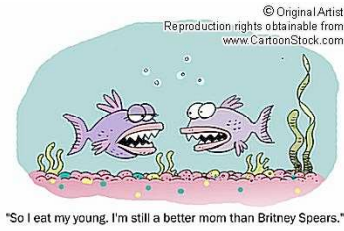


I'm not a girl, not yet a woman By Britney Spears



Section A: Warm Up

In small groups, answer the following questions.

- Can you remember when you were a teenager? Tell your partner an interesting experience you had.
- What is the difference between children, teenagers and adults?

Section B: CHAT

In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words are most interesting and which are most boring.

*pop icon / pop culture / controversy / cultivate / volatility / paparazzi / parenting counseling /
relinquish custody / illicit substances / sole custody / visitation rights*

Section C: Bring me up to Speed

Use the words in the box to complete this paragraph. The first one has been done.

Pop	volatile	charged	attention	innocence
controversial	custody	vehicle	influence	vocalists

Britney Jean Spears (born December 2, 1981) became a (1) pop culture icon immediately after launching her recording career. Rolling Stone magazine wrote: "One of the most (2) _____ and successful female (3) _____ of the 21st century," she "lead the rise of post-millennial teen pop ... Spears early on cultivated a mixture of (4) _____ and experience that broke the bank. Many 19-year-olds haven't even started working by that age, whereas Britney, a former *Mouseketeer*, was that most unusual and (5) _____ of American phenomena — a child with a full-time career. While other little girls were putting posters on their walls, Britney wanted to be the girl in the poster on the wall. Throughout 2007, Spears' behavior received heightened media (6) _____, including attacking a paparazzi (7) _____ with an umbrella. In September of 2007, she was ordered to undergo random drug and alcohol testing and to attend parenting counseling. Spears and ex-husband Federline continued to share joint custody of their two children on a conditional basis. A few days later, she was officially (8) _____ with misdemeanor hit-and-run and driving without a license. Spears lost physical custody of her children to Federline on October 1, with the court ruling that Federline will keep full (9) _____ of the children. Spears refused to relinquish custody of her children to Federline's representatives. In response, police were called to Spears' home. She was hospitalized at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center after she "appeared to be under the (10) _____ of an unknown substance", though blood tests tested negative for any illicit substances. On July 18, 2008, Spears and Federline reached a custody settlement in which Federline retains sole custody while Spears keeps her visitation rights.

Section D: Cloze Listening

Listen to the song and fill in the missing words.

I used to think
I had the (1)_____to
everything,
But now I know
(2)_____doesn't always go
my way, yeah...
Feels like I'm (3)_____in
the middle
That's when I realize...

[Chorus:]
I'm not a girl,
Not yet a (4)_____.
All I need is time,
A (5)_____that is mine,
While I'm in between.

[Verse 2]
I'm not a girl,
There is no need to
(6)_____me.
It's time that I
Learn to face up to this on my own.
I've seen so much more than you know
now,
So don't tell me to shut my eyes.

[Chorus]
I'm not a girl,
But if you look at me
(7)_____,
You will see it my eyes.
This girl will (8)_____find
Her way.

I'm not a girl
(I'm not a girl (9)_____tell
me what to believe).
Not Yet a woman
(I'm just trying to find the woman in me,
yeah).
All I need is time (All I need),
A moment that is mine (That is mine),
While I'm in between.

I'm not a (10)_____
Not yet a woman
All I need is time (All I need),
A (11)_____that is mine,
While I'm in between.

I'm not a girl,
Not yet a woman.

Section E: Discussion

In pairs, read about the artist then think of at least five questions you can ask another group.

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