

STUDENT WORKSHEET YouTubing on the Road

SPEAKING

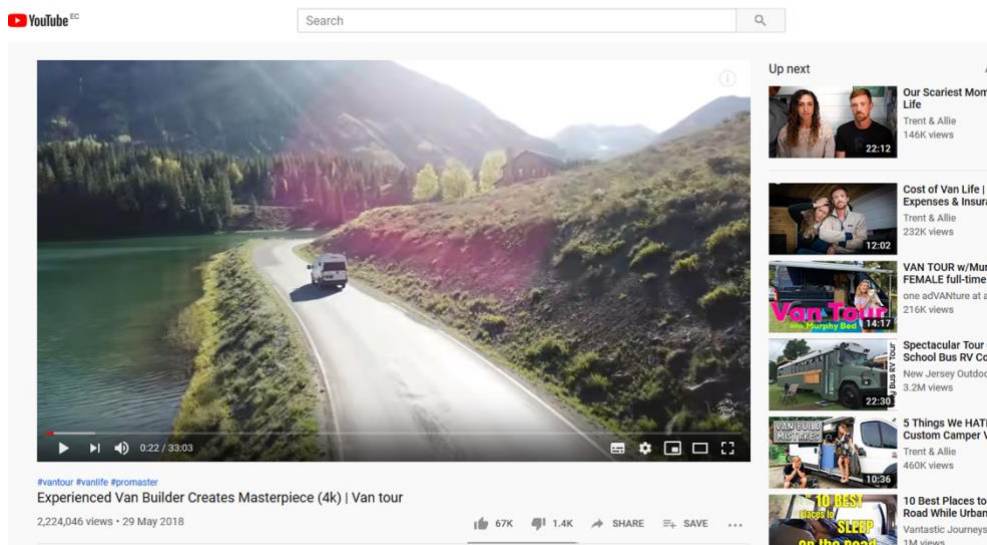
Work in small groups. Look at the photos and discuss the questions.

- What kind of home do these two people live in? Who or what do they share it with?
- What household objects and 'rooms' can you see in their 'home'? Name them.
- Would you find it easy or difficult to share this small camper van with another person? Why?
- How many videos have they posted? How long is this vlog, and how many people viewed it?
- What kinds of skills do you think they need to be successful vloggers?
- What do you think they vlog about on the road? What kind of equipment might they need?



Left: Trent and Allie (with their dog Frank)

Right: Allie and Frank inside the camper van



On the road with the camper van

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LISTENING

TASK 1: Watch the beginning of the video (0:00–0:20). What do Trent and Allie tell us about themselves? Make notes.

TASK 2: Watch the rest of the video and answer the questions.

Choices and decisions (0:20)

1. How many views did one of their first vlogs generate?
2. Where are they heading to now?

Working life (1:34)

3. How many vlogs do they post a week?
4. How many hours' work goes into a 10–15 minute vlog?
5. What equipment do they use?

Lifestyle and experiences (2:58)

6. How often do they fall out while sharing the small camper van together?
7. What have they enjoyed most about the journey?

Success at YouTubing (4:21)

8. What advice do they give to people who are interested in vlogging/YouTubing?

A special moment (5:00)

9. Why was Allie feeling grumpy that morning? How was Trent feeling?
10. Where did Trent propose to Allie?

DISCUSSION

Discuss the questions in pairs or small groups.

1. Why do you think Trent and Allie have so many subscribers? What might be the secret of their success?
2. What are some advantages and disadvantages of taking a dog with you on a trip?
3. How environmentally sustainable is their camper-van lifestyle, in your opinion?
4. To what extent would you like to do what Trent and Allie do for a living? Why (not)?

PROJECT

Imagine you're successful vloggers, taking a trip! You're going to give a similar interview to the one you watched. Discuss and plan your interview in groups of three.

Use your imagination and creativity! Choose an imaginary journey that you're taking (e.g. a cycling trip, a walking holiday, a cruise by ship, or a hiking/climbing/camping trail).

1. Discuss:
 - who you're travelling with
 - where you're heading and why
 - the kind of transport you're using
 - the kinds of vlogs that you post on YouTube each week for your subscribers and viewers.
2. Invent your own answers to these questions.

So how does it feel to be an internet sensation?

What's the secret of your success? How do you manage to get such a following?

You then set off on your trip and – what was the goal? Where were you heading for?

I gather you've been filming one day and then editing the next. Is that how it works?

What kind of equipment did you buy? And have you had any adventures with your equipment along the way?

What are some of the really nice things that have happened to you on your journey?

3. Brainstorm your own answers. Make notes.
4. Decide who will be the interviewer and who will answer each question. Practise reading the questions aloud.
5. Practise the whole interview (without reading directly from your notes!).
6. Act out your interview for another group.
Optional: If you have access to a computer or mobile phone, record the interview.