Before reading

Activity 1 – Title

- a. Look at the title of the book.
- b. In pairs, guess what the book is about.
- c. Write down your idea(s).
- d. Split up and find new partners groups of four.
- e. Take turns and share your idea(s).



Activity 2 – Content

- a. Look at the contents (page 5).
- b. Try to tell the story of the book using the titles of the chapters.

Activity 3 – Mindmap

- a. In groups of three, make a mindmap about the word "Pirate".
- b. Present your list to one/two groups.

While reading

Activity 1 – Drinks

Julie and Clara are at a party and have several drinks.

- a. What yellow drink got them drunk?
- b. In pairs, describe how Clara and Julie are drunk which symptoms do they have?
- c. Have you ever tried to be drunk?



Activity 2 – Pirate taxi

On page 19-21, Julie takes a pirate taxi to get home.

- a. In pairs, explain what you think a pirate taxi is?
- b. Compare your thoughts and guess(es) in class.

On page 36, Julie explains what a pirate taxi is.

a. Is it the same as you thought?

Activity 3 – The pin

Julie is sitting in the car with the two strange men, and they make her tell them her pin.

- a. In pairs, explain what a pin is.
- b. Why is a pin very personal?
- c. What do the men use her pin for?

Activity 4 – A dark forest

On page 35-37, the two men take Julie to the forest.

- a. In pairs, talk about what you think the men will do to Julie.
- b. How does Julie get away from the two men?

Activity 5 – Dad

After Julie escapes, she finds her phone to call for help.

- a. Who does Julie call?
- b. Who would you call if you were in trouble after a party?
- c. In pairs, explain why you would call that person.



After reading

Activity 1 – Keywords

- a. Write five keywords from the book.
- b. Share your keywords in groups of four and explain your choice.

Activity 2 – Characters

What information do you get about Julie and the two men in the pirate taxi?

- a. Collect information from the story and write a profile of the three persons.
- b. Compare your lists in class.

Activity 3 – Location

a. In pairs, talk through the whole story and write a list of all the different locations in the story.

b. Present your list in class.

Activity 4 – Expressions

In the book there are the following expressions:

- "We are both really wasted, you and I" (page 8)
- "It'll only cost you a tenner" (page 20)
- "The car is at full speed" (page 23)
- "Suddenly, they slam on the brakes" (page 23)
- "Julie leaves her shoes behind and runs like hell" (page 37)
- "The screen comes alive" (page 55)
- a. In pairs, explain the meaning of the sentences.
- b. Write down other ways to express the same meanings.



Activity 5 – What happens next?

a. What will happen to Julie after the episode with the two men?

b. Will she and Clara be more careful in the future when they are going out?

c. Will the police catch the two men in the pirate taxi?

In pairs: Walk and talk – take a walk and talk you way into what happens next.

Or,

In groups: You can do your own new ending by doing storytelling. Take turns – one student says one sentence and the next student takes over and so forth – make the story up as you talk.

