

For Students: Please listen to the teacher read the dialogues and question before answering each question. Please answer the questions with the full answer rather than only the number. The dialogues are contained in this pack after the question for your review. Please do not read them until instructed to do so by the teacher or after the lesson.

Part 1 – Conversations



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No. 1

- 1 Help people in need.
- 2 Go back to school.
- 3 Take early retirement.
- 4 Take it easy for a while.

No. 2

- 1 She has missed a career opportunity.
- 2 She has done well in her new job.
- 3 She will miss living near her family.
- 4 She will be happy to leave San Francisco.

No. 3

- 1 Get his son to see a professional.
- 2 Encourage his son to study more.
- 3 Hire his son a special tutor.
- 4 Help his son with his homework.

No. 4

- 1 Ask the store for a new bag.
- 2 Tell her friends to avoid the store.
- 3 Get her money back from the store.
- 4 Stop wasting her money on bags.

No. 5

- 1 It sounds like a challenging position.
- 2 It may not be as good as he thinks.
- 3 It should have a higher salary.
- 4 It is better than his current job.

No. 6

- 1 Her husband may have difficulty without her.
- 2 Her husband forgot to pay for the training camp.
- 3 Billy usually misbehaves while she is away.
- 4 Billy does not like her husband's cooking.

No. 7

- 1 His roommate is not tidy.
- 2 His dormitory is too noisy.
- 3 His roommate criticizes him.
- 4 His dormitory's rules are strict.

No. 8

- 1 She is still looking for work.
- 2 She has recently been promoted.
- 3 She is running a successful business.
- 4 She has started working at the airport.

No. 9

- 1 Skip the baseball game.
- 2 Borrow a van from his father.
- 3 Leave the heavy moving to Aaron.
- 4 Help Jade and Aaron for one day.

No. 10

- 1 Hire someone to paint the house.
- 2 Ask her husband's brother to help.
- 3 Start searching for a new house.
- 4 Leave the house as it is.

No. 11

- 1 Catch the smokers next time.
- 2 Have the third-floor bathroom cleaned.
- 3 Check the bathroom regularly.
- 4 Stop smoking around Rachel.

No. 12

- 1 Reschedule the meeting with the boss.
- 2 Arrange another flight for Danielle.
- 3 Send the project information to the boss.
- 4 Give Danielle's presentation for her.

No. 1

Taylor: I attended a retirement planning session recently.

Nick: Thinking about taking early retirement?

Taylor: No, I plan to work here for a few years yet.

Nick: Still, you're smart to think ahead. I'm really looking forward to taking it easy when I quit working.

Taylor: Actually, I don't plan to just lounge around.

Nick: What do you mean?

Taylor: I'm looking into volunteering at a homeless shelter or something.

Nick: I'm impressed by your motivation.

Question: What is Taylor planning to do?

No. 2

Megan: Hey, did you hear about Pete and Judy? They're moving to Houston.

Andrew: Houston! How come?

Megan: Pete got a great offer from his company to manage the office there.

Andrew: I imagine Judy isn't too happy about that.

Megan: Why not? It sounds like a great opportunity to me.

Andrew: Well, most of her family live here in San Francisco.

Megan: That's true, but it'll only take a few hours for her to fly back for a visit.

Question: What is the problem with the job candidate?

No. 3

Daniel: Thank you for seeing me, Ms. Rodriguez. I wanted to talk to you about Donnie's poor test results.

Ms. Rodriguez: It's worrying me, too. Your son's a good student otherwise. Does he make time to study?

Daniel: He crams for hours, but panics on the day of the test. I think his mind goes blank.

Ms. Rodriguez: So the problem is anxiety, not lack of effort.

Daniel: I think so. Do you have any suggestions?

Ms. Rodriguez: He should visit the school psychologist. She's helped many students with similar problems.

Daniel: Alright. I'll talk to Donnie about it.

Question: What will Daniel probably do?

No. 4

Hannah: I'm so annoyed, Tony. This new bag was a complete waste of money.

Tony: What do you mean?

Hannah: Look. It's starting to fall apart, and I've only had it a week.

Tony: Go back to the store and ask them to replace it.

Hannah: Do you really think they'll do that?

Tony: Having satisfied customers is pretty important, you know. It's in their best interest to make you happy.

Hannah: Maybe you're right. I suppose the worst they can say is "No."

Question: What does Tony suggest Hannah do?

No. 5

Kayla: Stan, long time no see. How's life?

Stan: Looking up, actually. I was laid off last month, but a few days later, I happened to bump into an old friend from college.

Kayla: And...?

Stan: We got talking and the next thing I know, I was being offered a high-paying job in a field I've always been interested in. And I get a company car.

Kayla: Seems too good to be true. Just to be on the safe side, you'd better check the details before you accept.

Question: What does Kayla think about Stan's job offer.

No. 6

Lauren: Remember, I'll be away from Tuesday to Thursday, honey. Are you sure you'll be OK?

Tyler: Yeah, it's all under control. I need to pick up the dry cleaning on Tuesday and take Billy to basketball practice on Wednesday night, right?

Lauren: Right. His summer training-camp fees are due then too. The money's on the counter.

Tyler: OK. Thanks.

Lauren: We have plenty of frozen dinners. And there's lots of pasta.

Tyler: Stop worrying! I'm sure we won't starve.

Question: Why is Lauren anxious?

No. 7

Mom: How's your new dormitory, Greg?

Greg: Pretty nice, Mom. It's not as noisy as I expected. I'm not sure if I can get along with my roommate, though.

Mom: Oh? What's the problem?

Greg: He complains I'm too messy. I admit I do leave a few things lying around, but it's not that bad.

Mom: Well, he might have a point. After all, I always had to tell you to keep your bedroom at home tidy.

Greg: Maybe, but I wish he'd relax bit.

Question: Why is Greg unhappy?

No. 8

Joe: Guess what, Felicity! I saw Tina Wilkins, our old sales manager, at the airport today. I ran into her on my way to the gate.

Felicity: Really? I wondered what happened to her after she got fired.

Joe: We didn't have much time to catch up, but she told me she'd started her own company and it's going well.

Felicity: I can't say I'm surprised. She's one of those people who always seems to land on their feet.

Question: What does the man say about Tina Wilkins?

No. 9

Kevin: Hello?

Jade: Hi, Kevin. It's Jade.

Kevin: Hey, how's it going?

Jade: Not bad. Listen, Aaron and I are moving at the end of the month. Could you lend a hand?

Kevin: If it's the last weekend of the month, I have tickets to the baseball game on the Saturday.

Jade: How about the Sunday? We'll move the light stuff on Saturday, and you can help us do the rest on Sunday. We're going to borrow my dad's van.

Kevin: OK. I'll be there bright and early.

Question: What does Kevin agree to do?

No. 10

Brandon: Honey, what do you think about doing some redecorating?

Stephanie: To be honest, I don't want to put any more money into this house.

Brandon: If we do the painting ourselves, it wouldn't cost much. I could ask my brother to help.

Stephanie: That's all we need! He breaks something every time he's here.

Brandon: True. Still, it wouldn't take long with just the two of us.

Stephanie: Sorry, honey. The last thing I want to do is spend the weekend painting!

Question: What does Stephanie want to do?

No. 11

Rachel: Sorry to interrupt you during your break, Travis, but I think some students were smoking in the boys' bathroom this morning.

Travis: Which one?

Rachel: On the third floor. I could smell cigarette smoke, but when I told whoever was in there to come out, they ignored me.

Travis: You should have just gone in and dragged them out.

Rachel: I can't just walk into the boys' bathroom!

Rachel: Thanks.

Question: What does Travis offer to do?

No. 12

Gavin: Jacobson Corporation, Gavin speaking.

Danielle: Hi, Gavin. It's Danielle. Listen, I'm snowed in here, so I'm not going to make it back in time for tomorrow's meeting.

Gavin: Yeah. I saw the weather report and figured you'd be delayed. I have a copy of your presentation on my computer, so I'll cover for you.

Danielle: Thanks. I owe you one.

Gavin: I'll let the boss know. When do you think you'll be back?

Danielle: With all the flight cancelations, probably not until Thursday.

Question: What will Gavin do?