

Select a word or phrase to complete each conversation.



What do you usually in the evenings?

I like to watch television.



do

look

have

make

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How far is to the bus stop?

Only about five minutes' walk.



it

that

this

there

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Why did Luke home so early?

He wasn't feeling very well.



go

goes

went

gone

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Philip before we speak again?

Possibly.



Then could you ask him to get in touch with me?

Would you see

Will you be seeing

Would you have seen

Will you have been seeing

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Are you going to go for that promotion? It's a lot of responsibility to take on.

I know, but working here for over three years by the time the interviews take place, so I feel like I know how things are done!



I'll be

I'd be

I'll have been

I'd have been

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I'm really struggling with this creative writing project. I just don't know what to write about.

The tutor says it's always better to personal experience for inspiration.



dwell on

resort to

draw on

revert to

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I've had a look through that employment contract for the new temp. There are a few additional clauses which the lawyer has advised us to include.

No problem. I'll it this afternoon.



renew

amend

refine

adapt

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What was that noise?

It sounded as if someone stepped on a branch and it .



crunched

snapped

banged

popped

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It's time a new car.

Why? What's wrong with the one you've got?



I buy

I bought

I should buy

I had bought

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Could you put me up for a couple of days?

Sure.



I hope you don't mind !

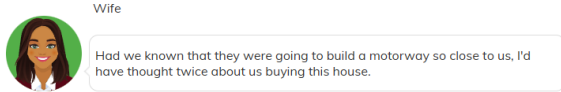
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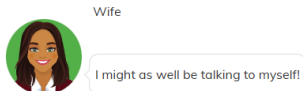
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Read the conversation. Then select the correct answer from the options below.



Husband

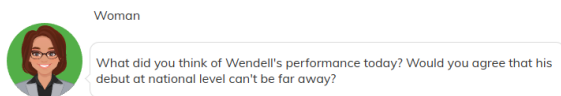
Sorry, love. What did you say?



What does the wife mean by her SECOND comment?

- It's pointless discussing the issue.
- Your opinion isn't valuable to me.
- I'm fed up with you not listening.

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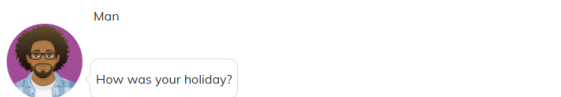
Man

Well, it's good to see his growing confidence in his own ability over the season. And scoring a goal that soon into a match is bound to cause a stir, but as for the national squad - well that's another question.

What does the man mean?

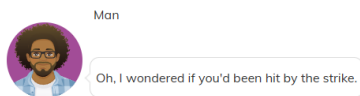
- The match they are discussing will have a significant impact on decisions about the national team.
- The player's hasn't yet achieved the required level for selection into the national team.
- The man is not prepared to comment on speculation about the player's selection for the national team.

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Woman

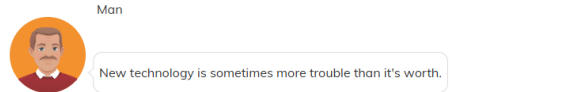
Well, apart from being stranded at the airport for 24 hours, it was idyllic.



What does the woman mean?

- The journey was terrible.
- The holiday was a complete disaster.
- The flight was the worst I've ever experienced.

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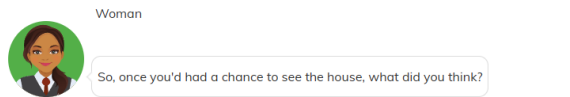
Woman

You never did like keeping up with the times.

What does the man mean?

- Most new technology can be unexpectedly difficult to use.
- It can be hard keeping up-to-date with technology.
- New technology requires too much effort.

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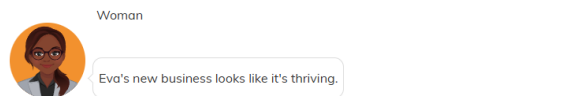
Man

I have to say, given what's on the market elsewhere, I'd expected the location to be more clearly reflected in the price. It's not as if it was being offered at a knock-down rate, is it?

What does the man mean?

- He considered the house to be too expensive for his budget.
- He had a poor opinion of the area where the house was situated.
- He had hoped to be shown a house in a different neighbourhood.

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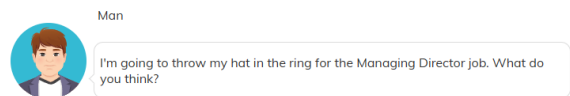
Man

Honestly, I think she's only just breaking even.

What does the woman mean?

- The business is hardly making any money.
- The business is losing a lot of money.
- The business is bringing in a lot of money.

Read the conversation. Then select the correct answer from the options below.



Woman

Well, to be honest, I think it's a bit of a long shot.

What does the woman mean?

- I think it's a great idea.
- I think you're unlikely to succeed.
- I don't think you should do that immediately.

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Man

It's a shame you won't be able to come and see the film with us.

Woman

Well, I really wanted to, but the buses stop so early, I wouldn't be able to get home.

Man

Oh, I'm sure one of us can put you up. It would be no trouble at all.

What does the man mean in his second turn?

Someone can take the woman back to her house.

Someone will find a hotel for the woman.

The woman can stay at someone's house.

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Man

Apparently that Head of Department job might finally be coming my way.

Woman

Well, that's a turn-up for the books!

The woman is ...

voicing her regret.

expressing her surprise.

passing on her good wishes.

Read the conversation. Then select the correct answer from the options below.

Man

Well, was parachute jumping everything it was cracked up to be?

Woman

I'd say so - there was a lot of hanging around, though.

What does the man mean?

Was parachute jumping as difficult as people say it is?

Was parachute jumping as scary as people say it is?

Was parachute jumping as good as people say it is?

Complete the text. Write ONE word in each space.

Courtney Gordon: the world's strongest woman!

A grey morning in Hong Kong and I'm just **setting** off to photograph Courtney Gordon. In recent years she's **come** to be known as the 'strongest woman on Earth'. As a 13-year-old secondary school student growing up in Edinburgh, Scotland, she won the gold medal in the national archery competition. Not content to settle **for** success in one sport however, she later became the national women's shot-put champion. It's safe to say Gordon is big news in the world of sport, **having** twice won the annual Women's World Weightlifting Competition. Her success has **made** her the face of this rapidly growing sport. I enter the unassuming downtown gym where she can regularly be found putting herself **through** a rigorous fitness regime. At the back of the room, two large bodybuilders struggle to drag huge tractor tyres **the** weight of a grand piano from one side of the room to the other. On a weightlifting bench to my left, Gordon heaves two enormous dumb-bells into the air at least ten times before dropping to the floor and doing several sets of press-ups. And all this without even breaking into a sweat. I start to wonder whether my images will ever be able to capture the atmosphere of this place and **do** justice to this amazing woman.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man and a woman are talking about plays that are performed on the radio.



What does the man think about them?

The acting doesn't sound very realistic.

The productions make economic sense.

The listeners exercise their imaginations.

The times they are broadcast aren't always convenient.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man is talking to a neighbour about a plum tree.



Why did the man remove the tree from his garden?

It was damaging the house.

It was dropping too much fruit.

It was in danger of falling down.

It was spoiling the view from the house.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man and woman are talking about playing music.



What prevents the woman from playing the piano more often?

Her home is too small for a piano.

Playing in public embarrasses her.

She is too disorganised to practise properly.

She is currently too busy doing other things.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man and a woman are discussing legal documents.



What do they think about them?

They should be rewritten by people outside the legal profession.

They are sometimes written in order to mislead people.

They are written in a way that some clients want.

They are written over a long period of time.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A woman is talking about going to the gym.



What does she say about it?

She is encouraged by the support of other users.

She is annoyed that her progress has been so slow.

She is nervous about using some of the training machines.

She is pleased that teachers adapt the classes to her level.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A government minister is being interviewed on a current affairs programme.



The interviewer suggests that the minister ...

is providing inaccurate figures.

is deliberately not answering the question.

is being unfair to the long-term unemployed.

is proposing a policy that will not solve the problem.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A woman is being interviewed about a blog that she writes about fashion.



What claim does she make?

Fashion blogs tend to be too exclusive.

Fashions change too frequently nowadays.

Fashions still vary significantly from one place to another.

The fashion industry is out of touch with ordinary shoppers.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man is interviewing an award-winning wildlife photographer.



What does the photographer say about her work?

It's essential to have grown up with a wide range of animals.

It's necessary to be a person who enjoys being on their own.

Patience is the most important quality to develop.

Being persuasive can prove very useful at times.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man and a woman are talking about money and happiness.



What do they agree about?

Having a lot of money can cause problems.

People are never satisfied with what they have.

It is possible to be happy even if you have no money.

Most people change their life when they suddenly get rich.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

Two people are talking about art galleries.



What is the woman's opinion of art galleries?

They need to train their staff better.

They have become too commercial.

They should separate visitors of different ages.

They need to create better children's programmes.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man is describing an expedition to climb Mount Everest that he took part in.



How does he feel now, looking back at the trip?

amazed that he was able to reach the summit at all

distressed that he wasn't aware of environmental issues

delighted that he has kept in touch with his companions

disappointed that he didn't absorb more of the atmosphere

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A teacher is talking to a student about what he is going to study next year.



What is the teacher trying to do?

Help the student make a decision.

Get the student to change his mind.

Persuade the student to join her own class.

Give the student advice about his future career.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A student is talking about some research she has done into what journalists think about free newspapers.



What does she say is the most common concern among journalists about free newspapers?

They lower journalistic standards.

They have a serious environmental impact.

They take away readers from other newspapers.

They force other newspapers to reduce their prices.

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A student is talking to a school wildlife club about a trip she made to study dolphins.



What is her main purpose in describing her trip?

to increase awareness of the problems dolphins are facing

to stress the hardships some researchers have to endure

to encourage other students to specialise in marine biology

to raise money for further research projects in this field

Listen and choose the correct answer.

A man is talking about getting ideas for his work when he is asleep.



What is the man's job?

a novelist

an inventor

an illustrator

a composer