



crunched

snapped

banged popped

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



Timothy's business seems to be thriving.

Woman



What does the man mean?

It's losing a lot of money.

It's bringing in a lot of money.

It's hardly making any money.

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debut at national level can't be far away?



What did you think of Wendell's performance today? Would you agree that his

Actually, I think he's only just about breaking even.

Man





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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Well, was skydiving everything it was cracked up to be?

Pretty much - all over in a flash though.



Man

What does the woman mean?

Was skydiving as good as people say it is?

Was skydiving as scary as people say it is?

Was skydiving as difficult as people say it is?

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Did you check whether Professor Cotts is available to give a talk to our finalyear students?

Man

I did, but I'm not too optimistic about the prospect of it happening any time



Woman

I thought as much, but I'd be grateful if you could get in touch the minute anything changes, so I can review my plan should she give a negative response.

What does the woman mean in her second turn?

She is hopeful that the talk may still take place.

She is reluctant to go back on a decision she made about the talk.

She is appreciative of the man's efforts to arrange the talk.

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How was your holiday?

Woman



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



Oh, I wondered if you'd been hit by the strike.

What does the woman mean?

Man

The journey was terrible.

The holiday was a complete disaster.

The flight was the worst I've ever experienced.

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What's wrong with your personal assistant?

Woman

I'm not happy with his performance at work and I've just let him know in no



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Man

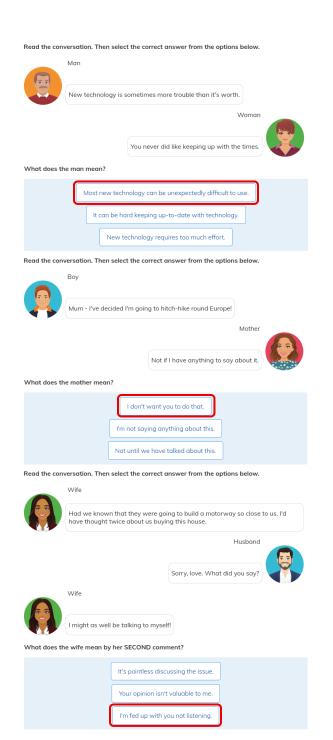
Well, you don't exactly mince your words, do you?

What does the man mean by his SECOND comment?

You don't always say exactly what you mean.

You always communicate precisely and effectively.

You don't always tell people exactly what you think.



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So, once you'd had a chance to see the house, what did you think?

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 hoped to be shown a house in a different neighbourhood.

Complete the text. Write ONE word in each space.

