

## **Listening Part 2: Listening to a Daily Life Conversation – Transcript**

*You are about to hear a conversation between two colleagues, a man and a woman. They meet by chance in a hallway at work.*

- MAN: Hey, Lin, I was just on my way to your desk. Deborah and I are taking the kids for a drive to Algonquin Park this weekend, to see the fall colours. And we wanted to know if you, Chen, and the kids would like to come with us!
- WOMAN: The fall colours? Oh, you mean the trees! Right, Algonquin is full of maple trees, isn't it?
- MAN: Actually, it's full of evergreen trees, but there are several spots that have maple trees. We can drive into the park, then pull off the highway at a campground. We'll all go for a walk, see the beautiful trees, then have a picnic lunch.
- WOMAN: Are the trails very difficult? Chen's not the greatest athlete, and our kids are still small. Do we need to worry about bears and snakes?
- MAN: If we keep to the trails, I don't think we'll have to worry about bears or snakes. Some of the trails are difficult, but some are easy. Deborah's okay with animals, but I know she isn't fond of heights, so we don't want one of those 'look-out' trails that take you up to the top of a cliff.
- WOMAN: A trail beside a lake would be nice, and I know Deborah would like that too. Ever since we moved, I've missed seeing the water every day. How long of a drive is it?
- MAN: A couple hours—more, depending on which trail we pick. I say we make a day of it. Leave early Saturday morning, get back late Saturday evening. Why don't you come over to my desk on your coffee break, and we'll take a look—choose one that suits both of us.
- WOMAN: Okay, it sounds wonderful! We should plan a stop halfway there, to give the kids a break.
- MAN: That's a good idea. We'll check for that when you come over as well.
- WOMAN: Okay! I've got to get back to my desk, to the project I was working on, but I'll see you in about an hour! And thanks for inviting us!

### **Now answer questions 1-5.**

1. Why was the man on his way to see the woman?
2. What is their conversation MAINLY about?
3. What is the man's wife afraid of?
4. What kind of trail does the woman want?
5. Where will the woman see the man in about an hour?