Interview 48 – Female, 23, Barking & Dagenham

**PART 2**

Interviewer:

We move on to part 2 now. Can we start by talking about what you put in box 1 please?

Interviewee:

Yeah, places I feel most socially connected, I put, um, clubs, so when I go clubbing with my friends, I see people having fun, then I can have fun myself. It makes me forget about, you know, life, for, it’s yeah.

Interviewer:

Hmmm.

Interviewee:

for, it’s yeah.

Interviewer:

[Pause] Sounds like clubbing can take away life.

Interviewee:

[interrupts] Yeah.

Interviewer:

And you can just let loose and

Interviewee:

[interrupts] Yeah.

Interviewer:

Enjoy yourself.

Interviewee:

Uhum.

Interviewer:

[Pause]. What else did you put there?

Interviewee:

Family events. I get to see and socialise with family members I haven’t seen in a while, so sometimes, um, we do have like barbecues in the summer or maybe my cousins giving birth and you know, the christening or anything. And people travel, depends on where it is, I’ve got families in Manchester, you know, so, if it’s in London, we have people from Manchester coming down, we get to see each other, talk, and yeah.

Interviewer:

Mmm. Sounds like you like getting together with family members and,

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

And, when you say you get to talk and socialise with family members whom you haven’t seen in a while,

Interviewee:

Uhuum

Interviewer:

Um, yeah, it sounds like you like to socialise with people.

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

Especially family, friends,

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

And you write here that you chose clubbings, clubs because, um, you see a lot of

Interviewee:

People having fun, yeah. I’m able to join the fun.

Interviewer:

Join the fun. So, when you feel like fun, can you tell me more?

Interviewee:

Listen to music, dance, yeah – that’s it.

Interviewer:

Mmmm. So, that’s where you feel really socially connected.

Interviewee:

Uhum.

Interviewer:

And, you got work as well [referring to what the interviewee had written].

Interviewee:

Yeah, cause I work with kids and I love kids so much so when I’m around them, it’s like I’m around my friends as well and then my colleagues at work as well, we talk, we do have like, maybe every month where we go out.

Interviewer:

Mmmm.

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

And how does that make you feel?

Interviewee:

Good, relieved.

Interviewer:

Sounds like you get along with your colleagues.

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

And you mentioned that worked with children and you like that, can you tell me more?

Interviewee:

I don’t know why I just love kids. I work in a nursery, so.

Interviewer:

Mmm.

Interviewee:

I love kids, I get to play with them.

Interviewer:

Sounds like you just, you like to have fun,

Interviewee:

[Interrupts] Yeah.

Interviewer:

Be it at the clubs or family gatherings or when you get to see children, get to play with them.

Interviewee:

Uhuum [said in an emotional tone].

Interviewer:

Is there anything you want to say about box 1?

Interviewee:

No.

Interviewer:

Thank you.

Interviewee:

You’re welcome.

Interviewer:

Can we talk about box 2, please?

Interviewee:

I put home, because [laughing], there isn’t anyone to talk to, and TV can be boring at times, so. Once I’m out there, I’m good. You can’t just sleep on the street, can you? [Laughing], So.

Interviewer:

Mmmm.

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

Sounds like home, being at home is a loneliness experience for you?

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

[Pause] And if your aunt is here?

Interviewee:

No, not when she’s here.

Interviewer:

Mmm.

Interviewee:

[pause] That’s why I said most times.

Interviewer:

Mmm. [Pause]. And, what is it about home that you don’t like?

Interviewee:

Everything is quiet and…yeah.

Interviewer:

Mmm. [Pause] Sounds like you like places where there’s buzz, there’s loud, voice, in a way.

Interviewee:

Yeah.

Interviewer:

And, how does it make you feel when you’re at home?

Interviewee:

Not too good, but, so.

Interviewer:

[Pause] When you say ‘not too good’, tell me more.

Interviewee:

That’s when I realise that, when, when the house is quiet, then I realise, oh my God, there’s no one here. There’s yea…. realise I’m lonely, starts all over again.

Interviewer:

Mmm. [Pause] How does that make you feel?

Interviewee:

Bored.

Interviewer:

[Pause] When you say, ‘bored’, tell me more?

Interviewee:

Just bored cause there’s nothing to do.

Interviewer:

Mmm. [Long pause] Is there anything else you want to say about box 2?

Interviewee:

No.

Interviewer:

Thank you very much.

Interviewee:

You’re welcome.