

Listening Script for TPO Test 11 Speaking Task 5

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Narrator

Now listen to a conversation between two students.

Student A

By the way, Frank, I heard you got a summer research position with Professor Davis.

Student B

Uh, huh... but, I've got a problem.

Student A

Oh?

Student B

Yeah, well, since I didn't hear from her for so long I assumed I didn't get the position. So I didn't apply for a dorm room for the summer. I'm afraid it's too late for that now.

Student A

Yeah, the deadline for campus housing applications has already passed. So what are you gonna do now?

Student B

Well, I can stay with my parents. They live two hours from here. So I thought I could drive and commute to campus every day. I know my mom and dad would be happy to have me over for a few weeks, and most of my old friends will be home for the summer. So in a way it'd be fun.

Student A

Yeah, I understand. But you'd spend quite a bit of time on the road going back and forth. Won't you get tired?

Student B

Yeah, that thought did cross my mind. The other thing I could do is rent an apartment off campus. Besides being much closer to work, I'd also save tons of money on gas.

Student A

Uh huh, but then you'd have to pay rent.

Student B

I know... there's always something, isn't there?