

Listening Script for TPO Test 2 Speaking Task 5

script taken from the Official Guide to the TOEFL iBT

Narrator

Listen to a conversation between a student and her geology professor.

Man

Mary, I'm so glad I ran into you.

Woman

Oh hello, Professor Jensen.

Man

Listen, I know it's short notice . . . and maybe you've already made plans for spring break . . . but . . . one of my students just dropped out of the field trip to the Smithson River Caves. You're next on the waiting list, so now there's room for you to come along.

Woman

You're kidding! [disappointed] I didn't think there was a chance . . . and . . . well, it's a three-day trip, right? I agreed to spend next week helping Professor Clark set up the new museum exhibition. I think she's really counting on me.

Man

Yeah, three days. But you know . . . if you'd rather come on the field trip, why not speak with her and see if she has anyone to replace you?

Woman

Yeah, I'd hate to miss out on the caves. I'll definitely ask Professor Clark if there's someone else who could help her.

Man

You know . . . we don't leave until Wednesday. If you still have to help out, any chance you could get the museum setup done before then?

Woman

Oh yeah . . . not until Wednesday . . . so then yeah . . . maybe that's possible too.