

2 Exclamations

Activity A

Good or bad?

Some of these sounds are exclamations that people make when they are happy or pleased about something, and others are used when something has gone wrong or is unpleasant. The third group can be used to express positive feelings, or to express negativity, depending on the situation. Put the exclamations into the right category and check your answers in the dictionary.

Put these exclamations into the right box.

aha	aw	d'oh	huh	mm	oho	ooh	oops	ow
phew	ugh	uh-oh	wow	yay	yum			

Good	Bad	Depends

Activity B

Think about your own language. Are any of the exclamations the same or similar? Which are completely different? Why do you think this is?