

3C WHO SHOULD WE INVITE?

LISTENING



5 USEFUL LANGUAGE

Making careful suggestions

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- a**  **1.56** Becky and Tom make careful suggestions to each other. Can you remember the missing words?

BECKY We _____ invite them to the evening reception.

TOM But don't you agree that it'd _____ not to invite them?

Listen and check.

- b** Why do Becky and Tom make careful suggestions? Choose the best answer.

- 1 They feel the subject-matter is a bit sensitive and they don't want to offend each other.
- 2 The wedding won't happen for a few months, so it doesn't feel real to them.

- c** Look at these examples of careful suggestions. Match the examples to the correct uses below.

- a Don't you think it's a good idea to ... ?
- b How does it sound if we/I ... ?
- c Another idea might be to ...
- d I think maybe we should ...
- e I thought maybe we could ...

- 1 Putting forward an idea carefully
- 2 Asking the other person to give their point of view

- d** Correct the careful suggestions.

- 1 Another idea might to be booking a DJ for the reception.
- 2 Don't you think a good idea to invite more people?
- 3 Maybe I thought we could get married at home.
- 4 How does it sound we only have a small cake?