

## UNIT 12 D

### LISTENING EXERCISE

 **12.12** Answer the questions. Watch or listen again and check.

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|----------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|---------|
| 1 Who cooked the food for the party?         | Penny        | Ethan          | Jack    |
| 2 Who sent flowers, chocolate, and biscuits? | Penny        | Ethan          | Jack    |
| 3 Did Kate organize the party on her own?    | Yes, she did | No, she didn't |         |
| 4 Whose parents arrive at the party?         | Simon's      | Penny's        | Ethan's |

 **12.13** Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. Listen, check, and repeat after the beeps.

it was easy   Glad you noticed   You're welcome   I had help   it isn't a problem

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| 1 <b>Kate</b>  | Oh, and thanks again for taking this parcel.                          |
| <b>Simon</b>   | Really, _____.                                                        |
| 2 <b>Simon</b> | You look great, Pen. Is that a new dress?                             |
| <b>Penny</b>   | Thanks. _____!                                                        |
| 3 <b>Penny</b> | Jack, you really made a fantastic meal!                               |
| <b>Jack</b>    | Oh, come on, _____. I make this all the time.                         |
| 4 <b>Simon</b> | Lovely. I'm so grateful to you both!                                  |
| <b>Penny</b>   | It was nothing. _____.                                                |
| 5 <b>Simon</b> | That was a fantastic surprise. Kate, did you do all this by yourself? |
| <b>Kate</b>    | No, _____!                                                            |

### Skill responding modestly

We often respond to congratulations, thanks, and compliments in a modest way.

- For congratulations, you can say it wasn't important or hard work, e.g., *It was nothing, I was just lucky.*
- For thanks, you can say it was something small or you enjoyed doing it, e.g., *No problem. It was a pleasure. You're welcome.*
- For a compliment, you can thank the person and say you are pleased, e.g., *Thanks. I'm glad you like it.*  
You can also say it's not as good as the person thinks, e.g., *This old thing? I've had it for years.*

 12.14 Read the Skill box. Match phrases 1–6 with responses a–f. Listen and check.

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| 1 I can't thank you enough.              | a Really? I thought it was too spicy.     |
| 2 I love your new hairstyle.             | b Oh, it's just an small one.             |
| 3 This chicken is delicious.             | c Thanks. I'm glad you noticed.           |
| 4 You passed! Congratulations.           | d It was a pleasure. They're lots of fun! |
| 5 Thanks for taking care of my children. | e Thanks. The exam wasn't that difficult. |
| 6 Congratulations on your promotion.     | f It's no problem.                        |