

1.3 talking about yourself

1 Underline the correct alternatives.

A: OK, so to begin with, there are a ¹*couple/pair* of things I'd like to ask about.

B: Of course.

A: Firstly, what do you think you can offer us?

B: Well, for me, the ²*more/most* important thing is to have experience, and I have lots.

A: Hmm, I ³*know/have* a query about that. It says on your CV you were only in your last job for six months. Is that right? I'd ⁴*have/want* to say that doesn't seem very long to me.

B: I understand. But one ⁵*thing/reason* I'd like to say is that in my ⁶*thoughts/opinion*, I think I achieved a lot in those six months. For a start, ...

2 Add one word to each extract.

- 1 Could I ask question? Why do you think your music is so popular?
- 2 Thanks for giving us an interview. There are a couple of things I'd to ask about.
- 3 I a query. How long did you work for UniChem?
- 4 I see you studied German at university. Can ask you about that?
- 5 Could I a question? Why do you think your films are so popular?

3 Match responses a)–e) with extracts 1–5 in Exercise 2.

- a) Go ahead.
- b) I'd have to say, I think it's because people feel connected to the words.
- c) In my opinion, it's because people can relate to the characters.
- d) Of course. What would you like to know?
- e) For three years.

Consolidation

1 Circle the correct answer, a), b) or c), to complete the interview with Clayton Price, a rock star.

A: Good morning. It's great to have you here with us today.

B: Thank you. And sorry I was late. While I ¹ _____ out of the car, a group of fans ² _____ me and asked for my autograph.

A: I imagine that's a common problem for you, right? So there are a ³ _____ of things I'd like to ask you about.

B: Go ⁴ _____.

A: Firstly, what ⁵ _____ at the moment?

B: Well, ⁶ _____ a new album with Mia Hopefield.

A: Mia Hopefield? Really? Can you tell us ⁷ _____ that?

B: Yes, of course. Well, we ⁸ _____ a few years ago when we ⁹ _____ a charity concert in New York. She liked my music and I liked hers, so we ¹⁰ _____ it would be a great idea to work together.

A: Wow, I can't wait to hear the album! So, ¹¹ _____ your career up to now?

B: Oh yes. I mean, while ¹² _____ with The Charmers in the 1990s, we ¹³ _____ a few problems. But in my opinion, it was very important because it ¹⁴ _____ me a lot about who I am. And now ¹⁵ _____ some great memories!

A: Fantastic. Well, thanks for coming in.

B: Thanks for inviting me.

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| 1 a) got | b) was getting | c) get |
| 2 a) stopped | b) were stopping | c) stop |
| 3 a) several | b) two | c) couple |
| 4 a) forward | b) ahead | c) please |
| 5 a) do you work on | b) are you working on | c) did you work on |
| 6 a) I'm working on | b) I was working on | c) I work on |
| 7 a) of | b) around | c) about |
| 8 a) were meeting | b) met | c) meet |
| 9 a) were both doing | b) both were doing | c) did both doing |
| 10 a) are thinking | b) think | c) thought |
| 11 a) have you enjoyed | b) do you enjoy | c) you enjoyed |
| 12 a) I was playing | b) I did play | c) I'm playing |
| 13 a) have | b) had | c) has |
| 14 a) taught | b) was teaching | c) teaches |
| 15 a) I'm having | b) I was having | c) I have |