

Unit 5: Exercise 3

In the IELTS Reading test, you may be asked to understand someone's attitude.

Read the information. Then decide whether the people's opinions are Positive or Negative. Choose the correct options.

Understanding someone's *attitude* means identifying how someone thinks or feels about something. For example, they might have a positive or a negative attitude towards something.

- 1 Rachel Jones, a young volunteer, says, 'It's terrible that the government isn't doing enough to help refugees.'
- 2 Volunteering can have a beneficial effect on people. Clare Coleman agrees: 'It can make people feel less depressed.'
- 3 Some people are not optimistic. Joel Gateman speculates that people will have less time to volunteer in years to come because they will be working longer hours.
- 4 'Far from being a waste of time, most people find voluntary work increases their job prospects,' claims Professor Mark Thompson.
- 5 Paula Orman believes that more people are viewing voluntary work as a valuable activity, which helps society in general.