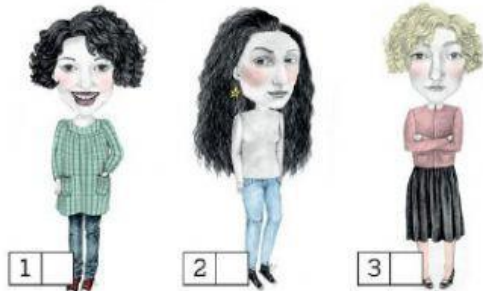


# 1B Charlotte's choice

## 1 VOCABULARY describing people

- a (19)) Listen to a man describing his girlfriend and check (✓) her picture.



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F = friend, L = Luke

F Tell me about Molly. What does she \_\_\_\_\_?

L She's \_\_\_\_\_ and she has \_\_\_\_\_ dark \_\_\_\_\_. It's very \_\_\_\_\_. And she has \_\_\_\_\_ eyes and a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_.

F And what's she like?

L She's really nice – very \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. She has a lot of friends. I'm sure you're going to like her.

## Who knows you better –



## your mother *or* your best friend?

In our weekly experiment, single people who are looking for a partner ask their mother and their best friend to help.

This week's single person is Charlotte Ramirez, a 25-year-old web designer. Her father is Argentinian and her mother is American. She lives in San Francisco, and she doesn't have a partner right now. Her mother, Alice, chooses a man she thinks is perfect for her daughter and her best friend, Katie, chooses another. Then Charlotte goes on a date with each man. Which one does she prefer?

“I love going to the movies, but I often **feel like** staying at home with a good book,” says Charlotte. “I'm very friendly and **sociable** and I **get along well** with most people. I think I have a good **sense of humor**.”

“What kind of men do I like? Well, I like interesting men who can make me laugh. Physically, I prefer men with a really nice **smile** who are taller than me. And I don't usually like men with beards! I like men who **are into** literature and art, and classical music.”

“I'm not sure who is going to choose better for me. Both my mom and my best friend know me very well. Maybe Katie could find me a **guy** who is physically more **compatible**, but my mother has known me for longer!”

## 2 READING

- a Who do you think knows you better, your mother (or father) or your best friend? Why?
- b Read the introduction and the first paragraph of the article.
- 1 What is the idea of the experiment?
  - 2 Who is Charlotte?
  - 3 Who are Alice and Katie?
  - 4 What do Alice and Katie have to do? Then what happens?
- c Now read what Charlotte says. With a partner guess the meaning of the **highlighted** words and phrases. Then, complete the sentences with your own ideas.
- d Cover the text. Can you remember?
- 1 What does Charlotte like doing?
  - 2 What's she like?
  - 3 What kind of men does / doesn't she like?
  - 4 Who does she think is going to choose better? Why?

- d Can you remember the kind of men Charlotte likes and doesn't like?



- c 115)) Now repeat for Oliver.  
What did she think of him? Does she want to see him again?
- d Listen again and write down any adjectives or expressions that Charlotte uses to describe his appearance and personality.
- 1 He looked \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2 He was \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 3 He had \_\_\_\_\_ eyes.
  - 4 He was kind of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at first.
  - 5 He was \_\_\_\_\_, too.
- e What does Charlotte decide in the end?  
Do you agree with her?

#### 4 LISTENING

- a 114)) Listen to Charlotte talking about what happened when she met Alexander. What did she think of him? Does she want to see him again?
- b Listen again and write down any adjectives or expressions that Charlotte uses to describe his appearance and personality.
- 1 He was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2 He had a very good \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 3 He was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 4 He had a \_\_\_\_\_.