

## ADVANCED 3 UNIT 6

### LISTENING

**1 Read** the questions first then,

**listen** to Mike, Maria, Helen, Nick, and Petra answering the questions.

Which question is each **person** answering? Write their names in the **boxes**.

Which **senses** do they mention? Write the answer in the **lines**.

- a How many senses do we have? \_\_\_\_\_
- b Which sense do you think is the most important to you in your everyday life? \_\_\_\_\_
- c Which would you be able to cope best without? \_\_\_\_\_
- d Which sense triggers the most memories? \_\_\_\_\_
- e Have you ever lost the use of one of your senses temporarily? \_\_\_\_\_
- f Do you think any of your senses is especially well developed? \_\_\_\_\_
- g Which sense do we most take for granted? \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Listen** again and complete the spaces.

**Mike**

Hmm ... \_\_\_\_\_, I \_\_\_\_\_. Yes, the most \_\_\_\_\_ one is sight. I guess ... I mean, if you're blind, if you can't \_\_\_\_\_, then although you can lead a full life and all that, I think it does make you more \_\_\_\_\_, more \_\_\_\_\_ on other people, I don't know, for silly little things like, for \_\_\_\_\_, like grocery \_\_\_\_\_ or whatever, and I would really hate it if I couldn't see what things or people looked like ... or the expression on a person's \_\_\_\_\_ when they're \_\_\_\_\_ to you. I mean, you wouldn't even know if they were looking at you or whether they looked interested in \_\_\_\_\_ you were saying.

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**Maria**

No, I \_\_\_\_\_, but I read an article about a man who went deaf and then his \_\_\_\_\_ was restored to him, and he talked about how \_\_\_\_\_ it can be if you can't \_\_\_\_\_. He said that you miss out on a lot of things, that although you can \_\_\_\_\_ fine when you need to, you miss out on the subtleties of a \_\_\_\_\_, and the thing he missed most was \_\_\_\_\_ ... the humor in spontaneous conversation ... because it all gets slowed down when you're signing. And he really missed listening to \_\_\_\_\_; that was the worst part, he said. That and not being able to hear his wife's \_\_\_\_\_. And he said that it was really \_\_\_\_\_ to start with when he regained his hearing. Everything sounded much \_\_\_\_\_. He said he actually misses total \_\_\_\_\_ sometimes, just not hearing anything, and that it can be really \_\_\_\_\_.

**Helen**

Um, I don't know ... but maybe \_\_\_\_\_, I guess ... like somebody can just walk past you on the \_\_\_\_\_ and you can \_\_\_\_\_ the smell of their \_\_\_\_\_ and it reminds you really strongly of somebody ... or \_\_\_\_\_ ... I can't remember where I was the other day, but I suddenly smelled the most \_\_\_\_\_ cooking smells: coconut oil and \_\_\_\_\_ and it reminded me so strongly of my vacation in the Caribbean ... I could \_\_\_\_\_ the palm trees, \_\_\_\_\_ the food, \_\_\_\_\_ the sun on my skin ... yes, I think smell triggers the strongest, most vivid \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Nick**

This may seem like a strange answer,  
but maybe \_\_\_\_\_ ... you know, the sense of touch  
... I think it's probably the one we take the most for \_\_\_\_\_, being able to feel things and it's not ... it's not, you know, a sense that's limited to one part of your \_\_\_\_\_, either – it's everything, every single pore, every single bit of your \_\_\_\_\_. I remember seeing a \_\_\_\_\_ about a man who was born deaf and mute and had later lost his \_\_\_\_\_ in an accident – he lived a full life – he was eighty-something and he still worked and even traveled. He just lived his \_\_\_\_\_ totally through his sense of touch. In this program, they showed him visiting other people like him in Japan. It was \_\_\_\_\_ – they used an \_\_\_\_\_ signing \_\_\_\_\_ which was based on touch – they would touch each \_\_\_\_\_ and sign on each other's palms, and they could feel each other talking – and it showed them going to a drum concert too – like a traditional Japanese drum concert – and they could \_\_\_\_\_ the music, I mean they could feel the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_, even though they couldn't hear them. It was just totally amazing.

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**Petra**

Well, usually I'm renowned for my sense of \_\_\_\_\_! Sometimes I can taste things that \_\_\_\_\_ else even notices. For example, when someone \_\_\_\_\_ for me, I can tell which \_\_\_\_\_ were used. Sometimes my mom will try to fool me by putting something I've never eaten before in the food, but in that case I can always \_\_\_\_\_ that there is something \_\_\_\_\_ in the food. I love \_\_\_\_\_ something I've never tasted before! If food is spoiled I know it right away. Recently I had some really hot \_\_\_\_\_ and burned my \_\_\_\_\_. It was strange not being able to taste things as strongly, but I was back to normal after a couple of \_\_\_\_\_.