

Exercise 2

Read the comments made by different speakers. Match the descriptions of what the speakers are doing with the comments.

complaining about inaccurate information	complaining that something isn't good enough
criticising someone's lifestyle and health	describing someone's stage of life
explaining what someone approves and disapproves of	
suggesting how to describe something's history	
talking about the advantages of being prepared for what is going to happen	

1. 'He's overweight because he overeats.'

2. 'The service I've received today has been substandard.'

3. 'I was misquoted and my views were misrepresented.'

4. 'She's always been pro-trade and anti-capitalist at the same time.'

5. 'If you want to sell your old bike, don't call it "used". Call it "pre-owned and pre-loved".'

6. 'My grandparents are enjoying their post-retirement years.'

7. 'Forewarned is forearmed. That's always been a favourite idiom of mine.'
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