

2  1.02-1.07 Listen to six people, Joanna, Mike, Phil, Jessica, Brianna, and Rafael, answering one of the questions in Exercise 1. As you listen, decide which question (a, b, or c) each person is answering.

ANSWERS:

Joanna – _____

Jessica – _____

Mike – _____

Brianna – _____

Phil – _____

Rafael – _____

3 Complete the extracts from the speakers' answers in Exercise 2. Use the words and collocations in the box.

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- a It helps if there aren't some people who _____ the conversation all the time.
- b You need a conversation that _____.
- c It's somebody who has a point that they want to _____ during the conversation, somebody with _____ as opposed to somebody who just talks endlessly about various subjects.
- d Some people don't care about whose turn it is to talk, so they just, you know, _____ when you're in the middle of a thought.
- e I really hate it when I'm with somebody who just _____ in a conversation, and who doesn't give you a chance to speak at all.
- f You're _____ and you can share the same tastes or experiences.
- g That's really bad, when you're having to _____ for things to say.

Listen again and check.

ANSWERS:

a _____

b _____

c _____, _____

d _____

e _____

f _____

g _____

4 Match the definitions (1-8) with the words and collocations in Exercise 3.

- 1 work hard to find
- 2 join a conversation without being asked
- 3 dominate
- 4 an interesting point to make

- 5 able to understand the way the other person thinks
- 6 explain or communicate
- 7 continues in an easy, natural way
- 8 talks for a long time in a very boring way

ANSWERS:

1 _____

5 _____

2 _____

6 _____

3 _____

7 _____

4 _____

8 _____

Which words and collocations from exercise 3 do you associate with ...

- 1 an uncomfortable silence?
- 2 a conversation where one person is dominating?
- 3 a successful conversation?