



Unit 2

Away From Home

How do you like it here?

a. Justin, from the video, introduces Yavor to Sara, a co-worker. Complete the conversation with the words or phrases below.

opportunity • department • so far • transferred • finance • in training

Justin: Hi Sara, I want you to meet Yavor. Yavor is from Bulgaria. He just (1) _____ from the European office.

Sara: Welcome, Yavor. How's it going?

Yavor: Really well (2) _____. But as I told Justin, I haven't had a regular work day yet. I'm still (3) _____.

Sara: Which (4) _____ will you be in?

Yavor: I'll be working in the (5) _____ department.

Sara: That's interesting. I'm also in the finance department. So if you're working here, does that mean there's an (6) _____ for me in the European office?



b. Match the responses to the questions and statements, based on the video conversation between Justin and Yavor.

Question or Statement

Response

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|--|--------------------------|---|
| a. What kind of work are you doing here? | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. It's great. Everyone is so friendly. |
| b. What brought you to the States? | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Bulgaria. |
| a. How do you like living here so far? | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. For now I'm still in training. |
| b. So where are you from? | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Oh, thanks. |
| c. Let me help you with that. | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. I asked for a transfer. |

c. Yavor goes out to lunch with Sara. Complete the dialogue below.

Sara: So, what's it like moving to a different country?
Yavor: _____
Sara: _____
Yavor: _____
Sara: _____
Yavor: _____
Sara: _____
Yavor: _____

d. In class, practice your dialogue with a partner.



Study Exchange

a. Pat Miller, the author of "Study Exchange," interviewed the exchange student, Kim Bankes, before she wrote her article. Match the questions she asked to Kim's answers.

Questions

- 1. "Has your French improved?"
- 2. "How often do you speak to your parents?"
- 3. "Do you miss your family?"
- 4. "Have you made any friends?"
- 5. "What is your roommate's name?"
- 6. "How long do you think you will stay in Paris?"

Kim's Answers

- a. "I don't even feel like going home."
- b. "I haven't been homesick even once."
- c. "I've made several new friends."
- d. "Her name's Chantal."
- e. "I hardly have an accent."
- f. "My mother phones me once a week."

b. Write three more questions to ask Kim.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

c. With a partner, practice the interview between Pat and Kim. Use the questions and answers from activities a. and b. to help you.

