

HUGO: Hi Chantal. What did you think of the talk, then?

CHANTAL: Hi Hugo. I thought it was good once I'd moved seats.

HUGO: Oh – were the people beside you chatting or something?

CHANTAL: It wasn't that. I went early so that I'd get a seat and not have to stand, but then this guy <sup>(2)</sup> in front of me and he was so <sup>(2)</sup>?

HUGO: It's hard to see through people's heads, isn't it?

CHANTAL: Impossible! Anyway, to answer your question, I thought it was really interesting, especially what the speaker said about the job market.

HUGO: Me too. I mean we know we're <sup>(3)</sup> into a really <sup>(4)</sup> so it's obvious that we may struggle to get work.

CHANTAL: That's right – and we know we can't all have that 'dream job'. <sup>(5)</sup>

HUGO: Yeah, but it looks like there's a whole range of ... areas of work that we even <sup>(6)</sup> like fashion journalism, for instance.

CHANTAL: Yeah – I <sup>(7)</sup> so many career options.

HUGO: Mmm. Overall, she had quite a strong message, didn't she?

CHANTAL: She did. She kept saying things like ' <sup>(8)</sup> this, but ...' and <sup>(9)</sup> how it really is.

HUGO: Perhaps she thinks students are a bit narrow-minded about the industry.

CHANTAL: It was a bit <sup>(10)</sup> though! We know it's a tough industry.

HUGO: Yeah – and we're only first years, after all. We've got a lot to learn.

CHANTAL: Exactly. Do you think our secondary-school education should have been more career-focused?

HUGO: Well, we had numerous talks on careers. which was good, but none of them were <sup>(11)</sup> very inspiring. They <sup>(11)</sup> like today's speaker to talk to us.

CHANTAL: I agree. We were told about lots of different careers – just when we needed to be, but not by the experts who really know stuff.

HUGO: So did today's talk influence your thoughts on what career you'd like to take up in the future? <sup>(12)</sup>

CHANTAL: Well, I promised myself that I'd go through this course and <sup>(13)</sup> till the end.

HUGO: But I think it's better to <sup>(13)</sup> of the industry <sup>(14)</sup> and then aim to get better and better at it.

CHANTAL: Well, I think we'll just have to differ on that issue! <sup>(15)</sup>

HUGO: One thing's for certain, though. From what she said, we'll be <sup>(16)</sup> assistants in the industry <sup>(16)</sup>

CHANTAL: Mmm. <sup>(17)</sup>

HUGO: I'm <sup>(17)</sup> for that, aren't you?

CHANTAL: Actually, I'm not going to accept that view.

HUGO: Really? But she knows it's the case – and everyone else says the same.

CHANTAL: That doesn't mean it has to be true for me.

HUGO: OK. Well – I hope you're right!

CHANTAL: I thought the speaker's account of her first job was fascinating.

HUGO: Yeah – she admitted she was lucky to get work being a personal dresser for a <sup>(13)</sup> musician. She didn't even apply for the job and there she was getting \_\_\_\_\_ to choose all his clothes.

CHANTAL: It must have felt amazing – though she said all she was looking for back then was experience, not financial reward.

HUGO: Mmm. And then he was so mean, telling her she was more interested in her own appearance than his! <sup>(14)</sup>

CHANTAL: But – she did realise he was \_\_\_\_\_ about that, which really made me think. I'm always considering my own clothes but now I can see you should be focusing on your client!

HUGO: She obviously regretted losing the job. <sup>(20)</sup> <sup>(21)</sup>

CHANTAL: Well, as she said, she \_\_\_\_\_ her feelings about him, but she \_\_\_\_\_.

HUGO: It was really brave the way she picked herself up and took that job in retail. Fancy working in a shop after that!

CHANTAL: Yeah – well, she recommended we all do it at some point. I guess as a designer you'd get to find out some useful information, like how big or small the average shopper is.

HUGO: I think that's an issue for manufacturers, not designers. However, it would be (24) <sup>(23)</sup> useful to know if there's a \_\_\_\_\_ in the market – you know, an item that \_\_\_\_\_'s stocking but that consumers \_\_\_\_\_. <sup>(25)</sup>

CHANTAL: Yeah, people don't give up searching. They also take things back to the store if they aren't right.

HUGO: Yeah. Imagine you worked in an expensive shop and you found out the garments sold there were being returned because they ... fell apart in the wash!

CHANTAL: Yeah, it would be good to know that kind of thing.

HUGO: Yeah.