## 9.6 Speaking

Asking for, giving and refusing permission

**VIDEO** **CAN I SEE THE MAP?**

**Lena:** It's so hot! Do you mind if I borrow your sun cream, Noah?
**Noah:** I'm afraid not. I haven't got much. Just kidding. No problem. Here. Can I have a look at the map, Mia?
**Mia:** Sure.
**Mateo:** This is a great walk, Mia. Well done!
**Lena:** Yes, but is it OK to stop for a rest?
**Mia:** Yes, of course.

*Later*

**Mia:** Yes! We've reached the top of the path!
**Lena:** Thank goodness!
**Mia:** Where are Noah and Mateo?
**Lena:** I hope they haven't had an accident.
**Mia:** I've got no signal. Is it OK if I borrow your phone, Lena?
**Lena:** Sure, go ahead.
**Mia:** There's a signal, but they're not answering.
**Lena:** Can I see the map?
**Mia:** Sorry, but you can't. Noah's got it.
**Lena:** Is it all right to go back to look for them?
**Mia:** I'm afraid that's not a good idea. We should stay together.
**Mateo:** Hi!
**Mia:** Mateo! Noah! Where have you been?
**Noah:** We found an easier path. Can we eat now? I'm starving.
**Mia:** It's not cool to disappear like that, guys!
**Noah:** Sorry.
**Mia:** OK, let's eat.

**SOUNDS GOOD!**

Thank goodness! • I'm starving! • It's not cool.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

**1** 46 9.18 **In pairs, describe the photo and answer the questions. Watch or listen and check.**

1 What are the girls doing? How do they feel? Why?
2 What happened to Noah and Mateo?

**SET FOR LIFE**

**2 Which three skills are the most important for a good leader? Discuss in groups.**

- giving good advice
- listening to everyone in the group
- making everyone in the group feel good
- preparing things well

**3 Study the Speaking box. Find examples of the phrases in the dialogue.**

**SPEAKING** **Asking for, giving and refusing permission**

**Asking for permission**
Can I/we ...?
Do you mind if I/we ...?
Is it OK/all right (for me/us) to ...?
Is it OK/all right if I/we ...?

**Giving permission**
Yes, of course. No problem. Sure, go ahead.

**Refusing permission**
Sorry/I'm sorry, but you can't.
I'm afraid that's not possible.
I'm afraid that's not a good idea.

**4** 9.19 **Complete the dialogues with one word in each gap. Listen and check.**

1 Jim: Is it OK *for* me to use your dictionary?
Ella: Sure – go _____ .
2 Ivy: _____ I have some juice?
Max: _____ problem! There's a carton in the fridge.
3 Ava: Is it all _____ if I use your phone?
Lily: Yes, _____ course!
Ava: Oh, and do you _____ if I borrow your charger?
Lily: I'm afraid that's not _____ . We haven't got one!

**YOUR WORLD**

**5 In pairs, ask for permission. Use the ideas below and the Speaking box to help you.**

- borrow a pen
- ask a favour
- use a mobile
- look at the notes

LIVEWORKSHEETS