

Transferring the major

A: Now, then, Mr., uh, Vickstad. How can I help you?

B: Well, I'm thinking about (.....), but I'm, I'm not sure...

A: I was hoping you could help me make a (.....).

B: I'll try.

A: Where are you thinking of transferring to? And why do you want to leave Kryptos U?

B: Um... I'm thinking of going to Central University, because it's in my hometown.

A: I've uh, been kind of (.....) this year, and I haven't made many friends...

B: I just feel so lonely.

A: So, I thought that uh, maybe, it'd be better to be closer to my parents and friends and all.

B: I see.

A: And would you keep the same major if you transferred?

B: What is it... business administration?

A: Yeah, I would.

B: The credits I've earned here will transfer to (.....).

A: I've already checked.

B: May I ask why you chose to come to Kryptos University in the first place?

A: Sure.

B: Um, well, the main reason is you have a great (.....) school. And the second reason is that I... I wanted to get away from home.

A: You're right, Mr. Vickstad, we do have an (.....) business school. But, so does Central. The thing is, you've got almost a year under your belt here now. At Central, you'll be starting from scratch.

B: Yeah, I know that. But I'm a little bit familiar with Central, 'cuz I had older friends who went there, and I visited it before I came here.

A: You know, freshman year is usually the hardest.

B: I remember how homesick I was my first year. I'll tell you, I was ready to pack it in after the first two weeks. But the longer I stayed, the more (.....) I felt. By senior year, I was glad I chose to stay.

A: Really? Did it get a lot better your sophomore year?

B: Yes, it did. You might well find the same is true for you.

A: Also, even though your credits here will transfer, you will have to take extra courses, because Central has (.....) requirements. You'll probably have to go to school for an extra year.

B: Hmm... I hadn't thought about that. I'll have to check into it. Maybe I should give it one more year.

I mean, it's probably good for me to learn to live away from my family and friends, right? It'll make me stronger in the future.

A: You can always move back there after you graduate. Of course, by that time you may not want to!

B: Thank you for all your help. I guess I'll find out the exact transfer requirements. You've given me a lot to think about.

A: Don't mention it. If you feel like you wanna talk more, don't (.....) to come back and see me.

Questions:

1. Why is Mr. Vickstad considering transferring from Kryptos University to Central University?
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2. What is Mr. Vickstad's main reason for initially choosing Kryptos University?
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3. How does the advisor suggest Mr. Vickstad might feel if he stays at Kryptos for another year?
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4. What potential downside does the advisor point out if Mr. Vickstad transfers to Central University?
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