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Narrator: You will hear part of radio programme about relationships.

Interviewer: Now I'd like to welcome to our show (1) _____ Melissa Duck, who's going to tell us about what makes us choose (2) _____ (3) _____.

Melissa: thanks, Dave. Yes, I'm going to talk about friendships and why we find some people more (4) _____ (5) _____ (6) _____ than (7) _____. It's a topic that (8) _____ (9) _____ finds interesting and we all think we are (10) _____ on the subject. But we might not (11) _____ know everything or be correct. For example, lots of us believe that we find people with (12) _____ (13) _____ attractive. But this is not correct. Recent research has shown that people like those who have (14) _____ (15) _____ and (16) _____ to their own. The study found that people with similar (17) _____ are attractive to us but we usually keep away from those who (18) _____ (19) _____ with (20) _____ (21) _____. So what does this mean for you and me? Well, it shows that if we want to (22) _____ (23) _____ (24) _____ someone, we should (25) _____ (26) _____ thing we (27) _____ (28) _____ (29) _____ instead of things that make us different. To find out how important being similar is when (30) _____ (31) _____, researchers asked pairs of people including (32) _____, friends and (33) _____, to answer questions about their personality, beliefs and opinion. They then compared this information to see how similar or different each pair was, and if people in (34) _____ or (35) _____ (36) _____ had more in common than people in shorter or more (37) _____ (38) _____. The results showed that all the pairs had similar beliefs – even if they (39) _____ (40) _____ each other well.

In a second (41) _____, the researchers (42) _____ (43) _____ on two different (44) _____: once when they did not know each other well and then again some time later, when they knew each other better. There was almost no (45) _____ in their opinions (46) _____ this time, which suggests that it's not easy to change someone's opinions. So if friends go into a relationship hoping to do this, they probably (47) _____ be successful.

I: So we don't have any control over our friends' beliefs?

M: Well, it's possible that we have some control, but it's a mistake for friends to (48) _____ (49) _____ (50) _____ thinking that they can change the other person. That's why it's better to pick a friend who has similar beliefs and (51) _____ (52) _____ (53) _____ from the beginning.

I: Do you have any other advice for our listeners?

M: Well, the researchers (54) _____ that if we always look for friends who are very similar to us, we will not (55) _____ (56) _____ (57) _____ (58) _____ different ideas and beliefs. So although we usually make friends with people who are similar to us, it is useful to also get to know people who are different from us. So my advice is, you should try to get to know people who can show you new ideas and (59) _____ (60) _____ (61) _____.

I: Thanks, Melissa!

2. TRACK 3.2.2 INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Part 1

S = Simon; M — Maria

S 2466. Simon speaking.

M Hello. Is that the right number for the (1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

S Yes, that's right. How can I help?

M I picked up a copy of your (4) _____ in the (5) _____ (6) _____, and I was wondering if you could tell me (7) _____ (8) _____ more about the club?

S Yes, of course. We (9) _____ (10) _____ the club three years ago as a way of promoting (11) _____ (12) _____. So we've been established (13) _____ (14) _____ (15) _____ (16) _____. And, there are meetings every Thursday evening, (17) _____ (18) _____ (19) _____ that is.

M Thursday, right.

S Yes, we usually show a (20) _____ or maybe (21) _____ (22) _____ (23) _____ of some kind. But mostly it's an opportunity for people to get together, relax, make friends. And we also produce a (24) _____ (25) _____ - I think you said you'd seen a (26) _____ of that ... ?

M The newsletter? Yes, it looked interesting.

S So you know it's got loads of information about what's on in the area and about living in Britain in general. We also have quite a busy (27) _____ (28) _____ with (29) _____ to (30) _____ (31) _____ (32) _____ like London or Oxford.

M Sounds great.

S And one other thing to mention. We like to encourage people to (33) _____ (34) _____ and (35) _____ (36) _____ (37) _____ (38) _____ in the club. So we give (39) _____ (40) _____ as a reward for active participation. It's something you can put on your (41) _____, for example.

M I see. And, I meant to ask (42) _____ (43) _____ (44) _____ anything to join? Is there (45) _____ (46) _____

S Yes, (47) _____ costs £5 for a term but you can save (48) _____ (49) _____ (50) _____ money if you pay for the whole (51) _____ (52) _____. Then it's only £12, instead of £15. That doesn't include (53) _____ (54) _____. But they're (55) _____ by the university, so they're not too expensive. The (56) _____ (57) _____ only costs £10, for example.

Part 2

M So, how do I go about joining?

S Right, well I'll take a few details now if I may, so I can send you a (58) _____ (59) _____. That's got all the information you need. Then if you're happy to (60) _____ (61) _____, perhaps you could send US (62) _____ (63) _____ for your membership fee?

M Fine.

S OK. So could I have your name please?

M Maria Lanzerac.

S Sorry, could you (64) _____ that for me?

M Yes, Lanzerac, L-A-N-Z-E-R-A-C.

S Right. And where are you from, Maria? I should be able to tell from (65) _____ (66) _____ but ...

M Don't worry. Most people think I'm from Australia but I'm actually (67) _____ (68) _____.

S That's somewhere I've always (69) _____ (70) _____ (71) _____. Now your address. Do you live in the city?

M Yes, I'm staying at 47 March Street, Southville.

S 47 ... Sorry, what was the street name again?'

M March Street. Like the month.

S OK. So you haven't got far to come, have you? And how old are you, if you (72) _____ (73) _____ my asking?

M I'm 22. 23 next month, (74) _____.

S Right. And last but not least, I just need to know what course you're doing?

M Art History. I'm on the (75) _____ (76) _____.

S Fantastic. Well, I think that's all I need for now. You should get the pack in the post tomorrow. Just give me a call if you've got any questions.

M Thanks. Bye.

3. TRACK 3.2.3 SAM FLIGHT

Ali: Hello?

Sam: Hello. Is that Ali?

Ali: Yes. Who's calling?

Sam: Hi All. It's me, Sam!

Ali: Hey, Sam. How are you? When are you (1) _____

Sam: I'm fine. Really looking forward to seeing you. I've (2) _____ (3) _____ (4) _____ for (5) _____ morning, arriving at 6.50 in the evening.

Ali: Great! That's Wednesday 6th July. And what (6) _____ are you (7) _____ (8) _____

Sam: British Airways, flight number BA3025

Ali: BA1325?

Sam: No. Three oh two five. 30-25.

Ali: Ah ... OK. And it gets in at 6.15, right?

Sam: No. At 6.50. Ten to seven.

Ali: Right. Sorry, this line's not very good. So you'll be on flight BA3025 on Wednesday 6th arriving at 6.50 p.m.

Sam: That's right.

Ali: Good. Well, don't worry. I'll be there to meet you at the airport. We're going to (9) _____ (10) _____ (11) _____ (12) _____. I can show you ...

4. TRACK 3.2.4

Receptionist: Good morning. Taxis 4U. How can I help you?

Sam: Oh. good morning. I'd like to (1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____ to the airport, please.

Receptionist: Right... and which airport is that?

Sam: London Heathrow.

Receptionist: That's fine. And when do you need the taxi for?

Sam: My (4) _____ leaves from (5) _____ 5 at 7.20 on Wednesday 6th July. Next week.

Receptionist: Wednesday 6th at 7.20 a.m.

So you'll need the taxi at ... 3.30. OK. Can I have your name please?

Sam: Sam Williams.

Receptionist: And your address?

Sam: 6Q. Willowside Bank. Abingdon.

That's A B I-N G-D-O-N.

Receptionist: Thank you. And the (6) _____ is? 0X14 3HB,

Sam: 0X14 3HB. And can I have a contact number for you?

Receptionist: Yes. of course. My mobile is 07789 612744

Sam: Thank you. 07789 612744. Now ... we'll be (7) _____ you (8) _____ at 3.30. Is that OK?

Receptionist: Yes, that's fine.

5. TRACK 3.2.5 AIRLINE FORM SAM

Flight attendant: Have you filled in your (1) _____ (2) _____

Hua Fang: I'm afraid not. I'm having a few problems.

Flight attendant: Can I help you (3) _____ (4) _____

Hua Fang: Oh, yes please.

Flight attendant: Well, the first question's very easy. What's your family name?

Hua Fang: My family name is Liu, L-I-U.

Flight attendant: And your first name?

Hua Fang: Well, my English name is Grace, but my Chinese name is Hua Fang. Which one should I put here?

Flight attendant: Which name do you have in your passport?

Hua Fang: Hua Fang. H-U-A and F-AN-G.

Flight attendant: So you should put that one. And your (5) _____ (6) _____ (7) _____

Hua Fang: Shall I put the day first or the month?

Flight attendant: See where it says D D. M M and Y-Y-Y-Y?

Hua Fang: Yes. (8) _____ (9) _____ that mean?

Flight attendant: It means date, month and year.

Hua Fang: Oh OK. So I put seventeen, twelve, nineteen ninety four.

Flight attendant: 17th December 1994?

Hua Fang: Yes. that's right. And what address is this?

Flight attendant: That would be where you are staying in the UK.

Hua Fang: OK. Let me see ... 13 Park Road. Brighton. B-R-IG-H-T-O- N, And the postcode, BN40 4GR.

Flight attendant: Is there anything else you need help with?

Hua Fang: No. thank you. I understand the other questions. Thank you very much for your help.