

## British English: Listening Comprehension 6

### *Close Encounter!*



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Here is the next video. Again, there isn't an accompanying lesson, but I do want to note that the British often use the word "sorry" when they didn't hear or understand something that was said. It implies a request for repetition.

#### **Answer the comprehension questions.**

- 1) What is Jane's sister's name? \_\_\_\_\_ What does she study? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Why does Matt meet her at the station instead of Jane? (Answer in a complete sentence.)  
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- 3) Where will Matt meet Allison? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) What is Allison wearing? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) What is Matt wearing? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) What do the British call a cell phone? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) What problem did Matt have with the car? (Answer in a complete sentence.)  
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- 8) Why did the woman at the café call the police? (Answer in a complete sentence.)  
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- 9) Below is a transcript of the video. Listen again—just the audio below—and fill in the blanks.

**Helen (voice over):** We're all cleaning the house today. ... We don't clean it every Saturday. But today is different. Jane's sister is coming to visit.

[The girls are cleaning in the kitchen.]

**Helen:** What does your sister do? She's a student.

**Jane:** What's she studying? \_\_\_\_\_ studies.

**Helen:** Gosh, that sounds interesting. ... There. Finished.

**Jane:** Actually, there's a...

**Helen:** Oh. ... What time is she arriving?

**Jane:** Two-thirty. I'm going to my \_\_\_\_\_ class and then I'm meeting her at the station.

[David answers the phone.]

**David:** Hello? ... Can you turn that off?

**Matt:** What?

**David:** Can you turn that off?

**Matt:** Hang on a minute. ... What did you say?

**David:** Nevermind. Hello?

**Allison:** Hello, can I speak to Jane, please?

**David:** \_\_\_\_\_. Who's calling?

**Allison:** It's Alison, her sister.

**David:** Just a moment. Jane, it's your sister.

**Jane:** Why is she calling now? It's only 12 o'clock. ... Hello? Ali? Where are you?

**Allison:** Hi, Jane. I'm at the station.

**Jane:** But you're two and a half hours \_\_\_\_\_.

**Allison:** I know. I got the first train.

**Jane:** Ali, I can't meet you. I have a yoga class at half past twelve.

**Allison:** That's okay. I can come to your house by bus.

**Jane:** No, it's too difficult. Hold on. ... Can anybody meet my sister? My yoga class starts in twenty minutes.

**Matt:** I can.

**Helen:** I can.

**David:** I can.

**Matt:** Please. I hate cleaning.

**Jane:** OK. ... Hello, Ali. Matt can meet you. ... There's a cafe near the station. The \_\_\_\_\_ Cafe. Why don't you wait there?

**Allison:** OK.

**Jane:** Can you meet Ali at the Rose Cafe?

**Matt:** Sure. What does she look \_\_\_\_\_?

**Jane:** Hold on, Ali. ... She's quite tall and she has long, dark brown hair.

**Helen:** What's she wearing?

**Jane:** Hello, Ali. What are you wearing?

**Allison:** I'm wearing a cream \_\_\_\_\_ and a black sweater.

**Jane:** She's wearing a cream coat and a black sweater. ... Sorry? ... Hold on. ... How long?

**Matt:** About 15 minutes.

Jane: About 15 minutes. And listen, any problems, call me on my mobile.

Allison: OK. See you later. Bye.

[Jane is at yoga class.]

Jane: Sorry. Sorry. Sorry. ... Hello?

Allison: Jane, it's Alison. Where is he?

Jane: Isn't he there?

Allison: What does he look like?

Jane: He has dark hair and a \_\_\_\_\_.

Allison: Hang on. Is he wearing a black leather jacket and black jeans? ... It's OK. He's here. See you later. Bye.

Jane: Bye. ... Sorry. Sorry. Sorry.

Woman at the café: Just go away.

Allison: Sorry. I think there's some \_\_\_\_\_. Matt, I'm Allison. Nice to meet you.

Matt: Oh, I'm so sorry. ... Hi. I thought...

Allison: It's okay. Let's go. Sorry about that.

Matt: Sorry I was late. I got a \_\_\_\_\_ tyre.

Allison: No problem.

Matt: The car's just around the corner. ... What's the \_\_\_\_\_?

Allison: Why are you carrying that bag?

Matt: It's your bag, isn't it?

Allison: No.

Matt: Then who?

Woman at the café: He's wearing black jeans and a black leather jacket. Yes. And he's carrying my bag.

Helen (voice over): We met Allison that afternoon—sorry—that evening after Matt's conversation with the \_\_\_\_\_.

