

UNIT 9 What should I do?



LISTENING

What's wrong?

To listen to the CONVERSATIONS and to watch or listen to ENGLISH IN ACTION, go to pearsonelt.com/englishfirsthand

1 Listen. Read the questions. Circle the correct answers.

Conversation 1 9-2

- Why is the woman frustrated?
 - Her boss didn't like the report.
 - John says he wrote the whole thing.
 - Her boss thinks John wrote the entire report.
 - John doesn't want to talk to her.
- What is another way of saying "Why is that your business?"
 - What's wrong?
 - Who gave you this job?
 - What are you going to do about it?
 - Why do you care?

Conversation 2 9-3

- Why do the students not like the new boyfriend?
 - They haven't met him yet.
 - He isn't fair to her.
 - He doesn't look like a nice guy.
 - He is a singer in a band.
- What does the woman's friend suggest she do?
 - Keep the relationship a secret.
 - Invite her parents and him to dinner.
 - Play some of his music for them.
 - Explain that his band is just a hobby.

Conversation 3 9-4

- What is wrong with the woman?
 - She heard bad news from the doctor.
 - She does too much.
 - She is afraid of visiting the doctor.
 - She is tired all the time.
- What does the friend mean by "That's the point, right?"
 - He's worried about her.
 - A doctor is supposed to look for problems.
 - Doctors are sometimes wrong.
 - She seems angry.

Conversation 4 9-5

- The woman doesn't feel like she is _____.
 - speaking properly
 - understanding enough
 - progressing
 - doing something
- What advice does the man give the woman?
 - to take a language class online
 - to find a conversation partner
 - to take a trip to the United States
 - to watch movies and listen to music

2 Circle the correct expressions to complete the sentences.

- I spend time speaking with my British roommate because I **want to improve my English / am tired all the time / am stressed out at work**.
- My parents hate my friends. / My neighbors are noisy. / My classmates bully me.** I have to play music as I fall asleep at night.
- I might need to see a doctor soon. **My parents hate my friends. / My roommate is really annoying. / I don't feel well.**
- I am tired all the time. / I need to lose some weight. / I want to improve my English. My friend Daphne told me to join a gym.
- My parents hate my friends. / My roommate** is really annoying. / My classmate bullies me. My father says they are a bad influence.
- I jumped off the cliff and into the lake. What can I say? I am **stressed out at work. / I don't feel well. / My friends want me to try dangerous things.**
- First, he doesn't pick up his clothes. Second, he snores in his sleep. **My roommate is really annoying. / My classmates bully me. / I need to lose some weight.**
- I sleep 10 hours a night. But still, **my friends want me to try dangerous things / I am tired all the time / I am stressed out at work.**

3 Match the advice with the problems.

ADVICE

- Get more exercise. ____
- Get a new job. ____
- See a doctor. ____
- Talk to them about it. ____
- Try to sleep more. ____
- Move somewhere else. ____
- Get a conversation partner. ____
- Just say no. ____

PROBLEMS

- How can I get better at speaking English?
- I don't exercise enough.
- My classmates keep asking me to cheat.
- I'm unhappy with my boss.
- This building is getting on my nerves.
- I feel ill.
- I am tired every day.
- I think my friends are mad at me.

4 BONUS WORDS: PROBLEM LANGUAGE Circle the correct words and phrases.

- David believes that poor eating habits **cause / face / handle** weight gain, not the other way around.
- The president stayed indoors because he didn't want to **handle / cause / deal with** the reporters outside.
- Professional athletes have to **face / cause / be faced with** many challenges before they make any money.
- Sarah couldn't **cause / confront / handle** the pressure of managing a large team of salespeople—and quit.