5.6 Speaking

Talking about plans

VIDEO **EVERYDAY ENGLISH**

Eren: Guys, what are you doing next Saturday?
Abe: Nothing special. I don't have any plans.
Eren: Have you got any plans, Bea?
Bea: I don't think so.
Eren: What about you, Carla? What are your plans?
Carla: I don't know yet. Why?
Eren: I'm playing an important tennis match at 3 p.m. If you guys don't come, I won't have any fans. Can you make it?
All: Sure! Yeah! Maybe. *Later ...*
Carla: I'm sorry, Eren, but I won't be able to come on Saturday. We're visiting my grandma ...

Eren: Hi, Bea!
Bea: Hi, Eren. Look, I'm so sorry. I'm going to help a friend paint her room on Saturday. And then, we're going to the cinema.
Eren: Oh!

Abe: Hey, Eren. What are you up to today?
Eren: I'm training for the tennis match.
Abe: Oh, yeah, about that ... I won't be able to make it. I'm going to a soccer match with my dad.
On Saturday ...
Eren: What are you guys doing here?
Abe: We changed our plans!
Eren: That's great!

SOUNDS GOOD!
Nothing special. •
Can you make it?

1 In pairs, talk about why you think the kids are at the tennis court? How does Eren feel?

2 29 5.14 Watch or listen and check your answers to Exercise 1. Then match people 1–4 with the plans they had a–d.

1 Abe 2 Bea 3 Carla 4 Eren

a hang out with a friend
b play a sports match
c spend time with his/her family
d watch a sport event

FUTURE SKILLS

In pairs, talk about a time when you changed your plans for someone or when they changed their plans for you. Then decide on good reasons for changing your plans.

3 Study the Speaking box and read the dialogue again. Who says each sentence in the box? Which sentences are not in the dialogue?

SPEAKING Talking about plans

Asking
What are you up to today/at the weekend?
Have you got any plans for this evening/tomorrow?
What are you doing on Sunday/next Saturday?

Answering and following up
I'm/We're visiting my grandma/going to the cinema.
First, I'm going to a soccer match ...
I'm going to help ...
Then, ... After that, ... Later, ...
I don't have any plans. I don't know yet.
What about you? And you? What are your plans?

4 5.15 Rewrite the dialogue in the correct order. Use the Speaking box to help you. Listen and check.

a Sam: Yes, that's a great idea.
b Sam: What are you up to this weekend? *1*
c Tara: Sunday? Well, I'm definitely going to have a lie-in. Then, I'll probably do some homework. Have you got any plans?
d Tara: Well, first, I'm visiting my aunt on Saturday morning. Then, we're going to an ice hockey match. It starts at 3 p.m.
e Sam: Sounds good. What are you doing on Sunday?
f Tara: Do you want to go cycling?
g Sam: I don't know yet. Nothing special.

SPEAKING TIME

In pairs, ask and answer about your plans for the weekend. Use these ideas to help you.

- sports and activities
- family and friends
- homework
- trips
- shopping
- relaxation
- entertainment
- special events

LIVEWORKSHEETS