

A driving test

LISTENING

The general idea

Listen to the conversation. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?

1. Andrea is going on a road trip this weekend.
2. Andrea is worried about her driving test.
3. Andrea failed her driving test.
4. Andrea will miss her teacher's conversation hour.



Offer and respond to reassurance

Listen to part of the conversation again. Complete the conversation.

- A I'm taking my driving test tomorrow, and I really hope I don't fail.
- B ¹ _____. You can take the test again, I think.
- A Yes, but this is really important. My friends and I are driving from Salinas to Esmeraldas next month, and I'll be one of the drivers. I have to pass!
- B You sound really stressed, Andrea. Try to relax. ² _____. I know it.
- A Thanks. ³ _____. And you're right – I should relax.

Listen to part of the conversation again. Complete the conversation.

- B Hello, Andrea. Are you coming to my English conversation hour tonight?
- A Oh, no, I forgot! My parents are taking me out for dinner tonight – you know, because I passed my driving test. I'm sorry, Ms. Ellis. I'm embarrassed!
- B ¹ _____, Andrea.
- A ² _____. Maybe I'll text my parents and cancel.
- B No, don't do that. ³ _____. And congratulations on passing the test!
- A Thank you.

FUNCTIONAL LANGUAGE

Offer and respond to reassurance

Read the conversation between Andrea and her teacher the next day. Work with a partner to add two more lines to the conversation, then practice it.

A I'm sorry I forgot about the conversation hour yesterday!

B Don't worry about it.

A Thanks, but I feel so bad!

B You don't need to. These things happen sometimes.

A _____

B _____



REAL-WORLD STRATEGY

Using "at least"

How was your dinner with your parents?

Well, my dad's car broke down, so we had to walk to a restaurant nearby.

Well, **at least** you got some exercise!

