Functional language

Make and respond to requests

1 Complete the conversation with the phrases in the box.

afraid I can't do that | If it wouldn't be too much trouble
It depends | sure, no problem | Would you mind

A: Hello Peter, Tim here.
B: Oh, hi Tim. How are you?
A: Good. I'm actually calling to ask for a favour. I'm moving house next Saturday, you see.
B: Really? How exciting. It's quite a busy time, isn't it?
A: Yes, there's so much to do. [1] _____ helping me? I have so many boxes!
B: On Saturday? I'm [2] _____. I have plans with my family. It's my niece's birthday.
A: Oh right. Well, what about Sunday then?
B: Sunday? Yes. [3] _____. I'm free all day. Would you like me to ask Mark if he can help, too?
A: Yes, please! That would be great.
B: Can I do anything else for you?
A: Well actually, I did have another favour. But I'm not sure you'll agree to it!
B: Hm? [4] _____ what it is.
A: [5] _____ would you be able to look after my cats?
B: Tim, you know the answer will be no. I hate cats!
A: I understand. It's a lot to ask. What about the dog?

2 Put the conversation in the correct order.

a Hey Misato. What do you need this time? ____
b Sure, no problem. I can lend you that. I thought you were going to ask for something big. ____
c Ha-ha, yes I know. I'm always asking for things. Yes, well, do you think you could do me a big favour? ____
d Thank you so much ... Now, the second favour is a bit bigger ... ____
e The second favour? You didn't say there were two! ____
f Hey John, you're looking well. __1__
g I knew it. Go on, what is it? ____
h Would it be possible for you to lend me $100 until pay day? ____
i Yes, sorry, I forgot to mention that there were two. So ... Would it be possible for me to stay with you for two nights next week? The landlord needs to do something to my place ... ____
j Oh yes, I remember, you told me. OK, no problem, I'll ask somebody else. ____
k Sorry, I'm afraid I can't help you with that one. My sister is staying with me next week. ____

Listening

1 6.01 **Listen to an expert on home safety and put the following items in the order that you hear them.**

a bedside lamp ____
b shower mat ____
c shoes ____
d dishwasher ____
e gas ____

2 Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

1 The presenter seriously hurt himself in the shower. ____
2 Sharon recommends having something in the shower so you don't slip. ____
3 Sharon says these accidents never end in death. ____
4 Sharon suggests unloading the dishwasher when it's finished. ____
5 No one has gas these days, so we don't need to worry about this problem. ____
6 Sharon describes falling over a chair in the bedroom. ____
7 Sharon says you may have an accident if you get up in the night when you're sleepy. ____

3 Listen again and choose the best summary of Sharon's talk.

a Accidents don't happen very often at home, but we should take care when it's dark or when the bathroom is wet.
b Accidents can happen anywhere in the home. You can avoid them by being organised and tidy, and knowing what the possible dangers are.
c The most important thing is to make sure you have the safest appliances. You need to pay extra for these, but it's worth it because your safety is the most important thing.

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