

FILE 1

Listening 1

- Mark** Hi. Had a nice afternoon?
Claire Yeah, not bad. What have you been up to?
Mark Nothing much. I've been reading one of your magazines. I've just done this personality quiz in it.
Claire Oh, right. I did that quiz this morning. Let's compare answers. What did you find out about yourself?
Mark Well, apparently, I'm a creative person with lots of imagination.
Claire Mmm... So am I. I'm not sure I believe that though. I've never seen you create anything very imaginative! And I was hopeless at Art at school. But anyway go on...
Mark Well, according to the quiz, they're about the only positive qualities I have! It says that you can't trust me to do anything – you know you can't depend on me. And it also says that I should grow up!
Claire You should grow up?
Mark Yes. Apparently, I behave like a child. What else does it say about you?
Claire Well, the answers are not quite so unkind to me. Unlike you, I'm trustworthy. I always keep my promises and I don't tell lies.
Mark That's true. I don't think I've ever heard you tell a lie. What else?
Claire It says I think about other people, not just myself, which is nice. And I'm never disloyal to my friends. I think that's really important, don't you?
Mark Yes, I do. Sadly, I don't have that quality, apparently. In fact, according to this quiz, I'm a really horrible person. I always want my own way and never listen to anybody else. When I've made a decision nobody can ever persuade me to change it, even if I'm wrong. I don't think that's me, is it?
Claire Well... I don't know. Sometimes you don't listen.
Mark Mmm. Maybe not. But I'm sure my personality isn't as bad as the quiz says.
Claire OK. OK. Remember it's only a quiz. And look, we both have the same answer to question 10. It says we're friendly and like the company of other people. That's not so bad, is it?

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Listening 2

- 1**
Dan Have you been waiting long, Jenny?
Jenny Yes, since the surgery opened at two o'clock. It's nearly three now so I hope I get to see someone soon. I was here for more than three hours last week.
- 2**
Wayne What are your sisters like, Laura?
Laura Well, they're both very kind – the sort of people who think of others. I suppose my older sister is the hard-working one – she's got a good job and her career is really important to her. My younger sister wants to leave school early and isn't particularly interested in having a successful career. My mum and dad have told her she'll regret this in the future, but she won't listen to them. She never does.
- 3**
Sara What have you done to your hand, Paul?
Paul Oh, this. Yes it's a scary-looking bandage, isn't it? You remember I volunteered to do the cooking at the barbecue after the football match on Sunday? Well, like an idiot, I tried to turn over one of the steaks with my fingers, and I touched the metal thing by mistake.
Sara Ooh, I bet that hurt.
Paul Yes, it did. It's very sore.
- 4**
Joe Have you ever been on a blind date, Sally?
Sally I have, actually. A friend of mine organized a date for me with her cousin once and we had dinner in a really nice restaurant. He was actually quite good-looking, in a way – he was a computer programmer if I remember rightly. But he wasn't really my type – we didn't have much in common at all and I haven't seen him since.
- 5**
Jeff Ow...Oooh...
Sophie Oh Jeff! What happened?
Jeff I walked into your glass door. I just didn't see it. I thought the door was open.
Sophie Oh, Jeff, there's blood everywhere. Sit down here. You've got a really nasty cut just above your nose. I'll go and see if I can find some tissues or something.
Jeff Wow! It really hurts.