

Reading Practice from Dialogues and conversations

- Reading comprehension from dialogues and conversations provide an opportunity for both reading and speaking practice.
- Scripted dialogue conversations help the students to gain confidence
- Confidence – They do not have to strain to understand new items or words.
- A chance to review and reuse the words frequently used in dialogue conversations.

Dialogue reading

- ☐ Interactive
- ☐ Student Centered
- ☐ For students at all levels

PRACTICE:

(Two friends talking)

Angie: Congratulations on your new job, Chris!

Chris: Thanks, Angie. To tell you the truth, I'm not so sure I like working.

Angie: Why do you say that? Last year you wanted to get out of university!

Chris: I know, but that was last year. Now, it's just work, work, and work. I work hard all day, every day.

Angie: Oh, come on. Don't complain. You're making a good salary now. Last year, you didn't make anything.

Chris: Right. Now, I have money, a nice apartment and a car. BUT I don't any time to enjoy it all.

Angie: It can't be all that bad.

Chris: No, of course it isn't. I still have my weekends.

Angie: So tell me, what do you miss about university?

Chris: I used to go to parties; I stayed up late talking with friends...

Angie: You can go to parties now, and you can stay up late.

Chris: Right, but then I'm tired at work. I can't do that. I have to be serious about

things.

Angie: I think you are TOO serious about everything.

Chris: That's easy for you to say, you are still at university.

Angie: Yes, but I don't have a job.

Chris: Would you like to change places with me?

Angie: Oh, come on Chris. It isn't all that bad.

Chris: Hmmm...

Read the dialogues and choose the most appropriate options to complete the dialogues.

➤ Doctor

Take this medicine for a week and you'll start to feel better.

Patient

Doctor

Are you sure? It's the best on the market.

Patient

Yes I am. Can you please prescribe another one?

A) What shall I do if unexpected side effects arise?

B) What is the ideal dosage for my weight?

C) No, it's too early to prescribe another medicine.

D) But I've used it before and it did not help at all.

It looks as if the illness has already been cured.

➤ Jake

How did you like the movie you saw last night?

Karen

I can't say it was the best I've ever seen.

Jake

Karen

Certainly not. Do not waste your time.

- A) Did you go alone or with a friend from work?
- B) Hadn't you read the reviews before you went to see it?
- C) What do you mean by saying it depends?
- D) I knew I could always count on you.
- E) Then you wouldn't recommend it, would you?

➤ Father

What? You crashed the car again?

Son

Father

I'm sure it wasn't. This is the third accident you have had this year.

Son

You're very angry now, dad. We had better talk about this later on.

- A) I do apologize. I promise it won't happen again.
- B) Was the car in good condition?
- C) But it wasn't my fault. You've got to believe me.
- D) Was it worth the money and time you had wasted?
- E) Why do you ask? Don't you know it's too late now?
- F) Chuck

Sue

why do you think so?

Chuck

Whenever we meet, she pretends not to see me.

Sue

I don't think it's because she hasn't got over her anger. She's having a bad time at work nowadays.

- A) It seems that Martha is still angry with me.
- B) Martha will never make a good manager.
- C) I have never seen a smarter woman than Martha.
- D) One thing that I especially like about Martha is her sincerity.
- E) Martha has finally managed to get over her resentment.

Tom:

MARY:

Are you kidding? We are in June.

TOM:

So what? What's wrong with June?

MARY:

The right time to trim your roses is the beginning of winter, when they lose their flowers.

- A) Are you going to plant those roses in your garden in June or July?
- B) Can you help me prune the roses in the garden at the weekend?
- C) I didn't know your brother knew so much about gardening.
- D) Have you got any idea what the right time is to shorten rose plants?
- E) Are we supposed to do anything special to keep the roses fresh?