

Oral test 2

Student A Take turns telling your partner stories about these events. Respond to your partner. Discuss the events using the conversation strategies.

Conversation strategies

- **Share your ideas.**

Introduce news: *Did I tell you? I was fired yesterday. I'm worried because the job market is bad right now.*

- **Be a supportive listener.**

Show you understand: *You must be upset.*

Give different opinions: *Maybe. On the other hand, not many people have your job skills.*

Give advice: *If I were you, I'd start looking at the want ads right away.*

1. You lost your credit card. You're worried that someone might be using it to charge things to your account.
2. You got a scholarship to a college far from home. You're excited but anxious because you don't want to leave your family and friends.

Now read the situation below, and explain it to your partner. Then role-play the conversation. Use the conversation strategy.

Conversation strategy

Ask politely for a favor. Continue the conversation as long as you can.

3. You're a student, and your partner is the teacher. You want to come to class an hour late tomorrow because you have a dentist appointment.

Student B Take turns telling your partner stories about these events. Respond to your partner. Discuss the events using the conversation strategies.

Conversation strategies

- **Share your ideas.**

Introduce news: *Did I tell you? I was fired yesterday. I'm worried because the job market is bad right now.*

- **Be a supportive listener.**

Show you understand: *You must be upset.*

Give different opinions: *Maybe. On the other hand, not many people have your job skills.*

Give advice: *If I were you, I'd start looking at the want ads right away.*

1. You got a promotion at work. You'll make more money, but you're worried you won't be able to handle the extra responsibility.
2. You were in a car accident last week. You didn't get hurt, but your car was badly damaged and you don't know if you can afford the repairs.

Now read the situation below, and explain it to your partner. Then role-play the conversation. Use the conversation strategy.

Conversation strategy

Ask politely for a favor. Continue the conversation as long as you can.

3. You're an employee, and your partner is the boss. You want to take the day off tomorrow to visit a sick relative.



Student C Take turns telling your partner stories about these events. Respond to your partner. Discuss the events using the conversation strategies.

Conversation strategies

- **Share your ideas.**

Introduce news: *Did I tell you? I was fired yesterday. I'm worried because the job market is bad right now.*

- **Be a supportive listener.**

Show you understand: *You must be upset.*

Give different opinions: *Maybe. On the other hand, not many people have your job skills.*

Give advice: *If I were you, I'd start looking at the want ads right away.*

1. You just bought your first cell phone. You love the convenience, but some people seem to get annoyed when you use it in public places.
2. A huge storm hit the house of a close friend. The house was badly damaged, and your friend had to move out.

Now read the situation below, and explain it to your partner. Then role-play the conversation. Use the conversation strategy.

Conversation strategy

Ask politely for a favor. Continue the conversation as long as you can.

3. You're a student, and your partner is the teacher. You didn't understand some things in the last class, and you want the teacher to explain them.

Student D Take turns telling your partner stories about these events. Respond to your partner. Discuss the events using the conversation strategies.

Conversation strategies

- **Share your ideas.**

Introduce news: *Did I tell you? I was fired yesterday. I'm worried because the job market is bad right now.*

- **Be a supportive listener.**

Show you understand: *You must be upset.*

Give different opinions: *Maybe. On the other hand, not many people have your job skills.*

Give advice: *If I were you, I'd start looking at the want ads right away.*

1. It's your birthday this weekend, and you want to do something wild. A friend offered to take you skydiving. You said yes, but now you're getting nervous.
2. A friend invited you to a party. Someone is going to be there that you don't get along with. You're wondering if you should go.

Now read the situation below, and explain it to your partner. Then role-play the conversation. Use the conversation strategy.

Conversation strategy

Ask politely for a favor. Continue the conversation as long as you can.

3. You're an employee, and your partner is the boss. You're going on a trip for the company, and you want to take your wife or husband with you.

