

### Worksheet

#### The story so far

Sal has a really bad cold and has asked Katie to go to an audition in her place. They are looking for an actress with an English accent. Katie is not interested in becoming an actress but she wants to do Sal a favour and has agreed to go.



#### Listening

1. Listen to the episode once and tick the adjectives from the box that best describe the director.

patient	bossy	kind	caring
rude	impatient	polite	direct

2. Now listen again and put these events in the correct order.

- Michael gives Katie a compliment about her looks.
- They take a break from the audition.
- Michael asks her how she's getting on in LA.
- Michael spots Katie.
- Katie discovers that Michael writes commercials.

#### Language: Giving and receiving a compliment.

1. Michael Mensah gives Katie two compliments. What does he say? Listen again (if necessary) and complete the dialogues.

- Michael: You \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Katie: \_\_\_\_\_
- Michael: I think \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Katie: \_\_\_\_\_ ?

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### 2. Rearrange these words to make compliments.

- speak / you / really / English / well
- beautiful / you / tonight / look
- really / that / you / suits / shirt
- an / you're / cook / excellent
- a / got / accent / you've / lovely
- hat / great / that / looks



**What would be good responses to the compliments?**

### 3. When you give someone a compliment it's important to sound sincere. Work in pairs (A and B).

**Partner A:** Say the compliments above.

**Partner B:** Respond to the compliments.

**Now think of a compliment that you would like to give to someone in the class. Write it here, then go ahead and give them the compliment!**

## Discussion

**Answer the questions.**

1. How do you think Katie feels when...
  - ... she sees Michael at the audition?
  - ... the director tells her she's got the job?
2. What do you think Sal's reaction will be to the news?
3. When was the last time you were given a compliment? Who gave it to you and why?
4. When was the last time you gave someone a compliment? Do you ever find it embarrassing to give and/or receive compliments?

**Transcript**

(DIR = Director) / (MM = Michael Mensah)

DIR: Ok, ok! That's it everyone. Time for a break!  
Auditions continue in fifteen minutes!

KATIE: What do I do now?

DIR: What do you do now? You wait. I dunno, get a bagel or something. We'll let you know.

KATIE: Ok, so I'll just go over there...

DIR: Whatever. You do whatever you like, just stay outta my way.

KATIE: Ok.

MM: Katie?

KATIE: Hello? Oh wow!

MM: We met on the plane over here. I'm Mike, Michael Mensah – do you remember me? We sat next to each other on the plane.

KATIE: Of course.

MM: I was thinking about you the other day. What a coincidence! How are things? You look... great.

KATIE: Thanks, I...

MM: I mean, you look happier than... on the plane before.

KATIE: Oh, I see.

MM: You're here for the acting job?

KATIE: Well, yeah. I won't get it though.

MM: I think you're perfect for it.

KATIE: Really? The director is a bit – I don't think he likes me.

MM: Who, Chuck? Don't worry about him. He's really nice actually.

KATIE: What are you doing here? Are you an actor and a poet?

MM: Oh, no no. I'm the writer.

KATIE: You write commercials?

MM: Yes, well, I have to make money somehow.

MM: So, are you taking the road less travelled?

KATIE: The... what? The road less travelled?

MM: You know, from the poem you read on the plane.

KATIE: Oh! Yeah, I guess I am.

MM: So, how are things going? Do you regret your decision to come here?

KATIE: No. No. Not at all. Everything's great. I'm working at a club. I'm making friends.

MM: Oh good. I'm glad.



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*(DIR = Director) / (MM = Michael Mensah)*

KATIE: Well, I'd better...

MM: Yes. Of course.

KATIE: Ok, then. Ummm... well, see you later then.

MM: Yeah. Sure. See you around.

DIR: Hey, you! Where you going?

KATIE: Me?

DIR: Yes, you. Come back Thursday. You've got the job.



## Answers

### Listening

1. *bossy, rude, impatient and direct.*
2. *b, d, a, e, c.*

### Language: Giving a compliment.

1.
  - Michael: You look great.
  - Katie: Thanks.
  - Michael: I think you're perfect for it.
  - Katie: Really?
2.
  - You speak English really well.
  - You look beautiful tonight.
  - That shirt really suits you.
  - You're an excellent cook.
  - You've got a lovely accent.
  - That hat looks great.

### What would be good responses to the compliments?

#### Example responses could include:

- Thanks very much.
- Thank you.
- Do you really think so?
- Really? Thanks.

