

4.  
A: Well, how did it go on Monday?  
B: You're not going to believe this, but I missed it! I left really early so I wouldn't be late, but I wrote the address down wrong, and I couldn't find the office. I was so nervous about the interview that I forgot my phone, too, so I couldn't call them and ask for directions. I was so mad at myself. I really wanted that job!

5.  
A: So how was it?  
B: I don't know because I missed it! I was so disappointed, and so was my niece. I had flowers and a card to give her, and I really wanted to be there for her special day. But I ran out of gas on my way to the school. Can you believe that? I made it to her graduation party later that evening, but I really wanted to make it to the ceremony.

6.  
A: So was it fun?  
B: Well, I think the people who went had fun, but I had to study for my history test. My friend Kelly went, and she said it was a great party. I hope Sarah has another one for her birthday next year.

## Pronunciation

1. Is everything okay?
2. Where were you last night?
3. Did you forget our appointment?
4. Why are you so late?

## Dictation

- A: Where were you this afternoon? You were supposed to meet me for lunch.  
B: I'm so sorry. I was at a doctor's appointment. I thought I would be out of there by noon, but the appointment took a long time.  
A: Oh, are you okay?  
B: I'm fine. It was just a check-up. Did you get the movie tickets for tonight?  
A: No, I didn't. I'm sorry. I couldn't get online at home.  
B: Is something wrong with your Internet connection?  
A: I think so. Sometimes I can't get a connection.

## Unit 5: Character Traits

### Listening 1

1.  
A: Jeff is the perfect elementary school teacher. He's so good with children.  
B: I know what you mean. He never gets angry with those kids, even when they're not listening to him.

2.  
A: Sheila speaks very well. When she talks, people stop and listen.  
B: I know. A lot of people even change their opinions after talking to her.

3.  
A: How does Mary like her new job?  
B: Oh, she loves it. She's really excited about working there. In fact, she even works on weekends because she enjoys being there so much.

4.  
A: I've been having problems with my boss lately.  
B: Why is that?  
A: Well, he has a lot of rules. He gets really angry if I come to work two minutes late, or if I let the office phone ring more than twice before I answer it. And if I make a tiny mistake, he yells at me.

5.  
A: I don't know about you, but I'm voting for Dave Thomas for school president. He knows everything about this school and all the important issues.  
B: Yeah. He really knows what he's talking about.

6.  
A: My landlady is really nice. She doesn't get angry if I pay the rent a few days late. And when I'm sick, she always brings me homemade chicken soup.  
B: Wow. She sounds really thoughtful.

### Listening 2

1.  
A: What do you think of Chris?  
B: I like talking to him. He knows something interesting about practically everything.  
A: Yeah, I know. And he's really serious about studying, too. He wants to go to medical school, so his grades have to be perfect.  
B: He must be a good student.  
A: He's a great student—top of the class last year.

2.  
A: You know Brandon Kent, don't you?  
B: Oh, sure. He's a really nice guy. He took a whole day off last month to help me move into my new apartment. Then he drove me to the mall so I could pick up some furniture for my new place.  
A: Yeah, that's what I like about him. In fact, he's coming over this afternoon to help me with my math assignment.  
B: Lucky you!

3.  
A: I can't stand that Terry Dey.  
B: Really?

A: Yeah. The other day, we were walking down the street past this homeless man who asked us for money. His clothes were torn and dirty.

B: Yeah?  
A: Well, as soon as we walked past him, Terry made jokes about his clothes.  
B: No way! That's terrible.

4.  
A: Are you going to Tony's party on Friday night?  
B: Yeah. Are you?  
A: Of course. He has great parties, don't you think?  
B: Definitely. It's because he gets so excited about everything. Everyone sees him laughing and having fun, and then they start enjoying themselves, too.  
A: You're right. He's an amazing guy.

5.  
A: Have you seen Patrick recently?  
B: No, I haven't. We were supposed to go to a concert last weekend, but he said he was too sick to go.  
A: Oh, that's too bad.  
B: The thing is, he didn't tell me the truth. My brother saw him at a party the same night, having a good time.  
A: Oh! I really hate it when people lie like that.  
B: Me, too.

6.  
A: I just talked to Chuck.  
B: How is he today?  
A: The same as usual. He's always in a bad mood. Talking to him is really difficult. It's easy to say something that really upsets him.  
B: I know. I wonder why he's like that.  
A: I think it's because he isn't doing well at school this year.

### Listening 3

1.  
Now that John has that new job, you wouldn't recognize him. I guess you have to be more conservative when you have a job like that. He works really long hours now and wears a suit and tie. And when he comes home from work, he never wants to go out. All he does is sit in his chair and watch TV. He looks totally exhausted. That's not how he was in college. Back then he used to go around in old T-shirts and jeans. And he had that crazy green hair!

2.  
I ran into Akiko the other day. I hardly recognized her. Do you remember her from high school? She was a little chubby and out of shape back then. I don't think she ever exercised or played any sports. Well, she looks really different now. She's lost a lot of weight. In fact, she looks terrific. She told me that she

decided to get in better shape after she got married last year. Now she goes to the gym three times a week.

3. Have you had a chance to talk to Maria lately? She's gotten so depressed—you know, sad and worried all the time. It's a real change. She used to be so enthusiastic and happy in high school. She was a cheerleader, and she was always laughing and making jokes. Now she just sits in coffee shops all by herself and just looks really sad. You can tell that something is really bothering her. It must be because she and her boyfriend recently broke up.

4. Do you remember what Ted Rodgers used to look like? He used to be so athletic, with really big muscles. He went to the gym all the time and was always careful about what he ate and drank. Well, you wouldn't believe how much he's changed. I'm sure he weighs over 200 pounds now. It doesn't look like he does any exercise at all, and he eats just about anything. Someone told me he changed after he got really wealthy from Internet stocks. They said that after he got rich, he decided just to enjoy himself.

## Pronunciation

1. Lee is really caring.
2. He asks a lot of questions.
3. Is she enthusiastic?
4. It's important to be informed.
5. She always does nice things for people.
6. Did he ever call you?

## Dictation

- A: So, tell me about your new neighbor.  
B: He's really funny and nice. And we found out we have a lot in common.  
A: Oh, really? Like what?  
B: Well, he's about the same age as I am. And he used to live in the same neighborhood as I did in New York.  
A: Wow! What kinds of things does he like to do?  
B: He told me that he always plays soccer on Saturdays. And he likes to go hiking and bike riding. And he loves movies.

## Unit 6: Travel

### Listening 1

1. Ladies and gentlemen, we hope you enjoyed your flight to Toronto. When we land, you can locate your bags on Carousel 5 in Baggage Claim. Just stay to your left, go down the steps, and Carousel

5 will be on the right past Johnnie's Hamburger Stand.

2. Passengers on Flight 87 to Miami, your departure gate has been changed to Gate 64. Again, that's Gate 64. You need to take a right past the restaurants and the gift shop to find Gate 64. Passengers on Flight 102 to Tampa, your departure gate is still Gate 62.

3. Ladies and gentlemen, our crew will be serving refreshments. We'll have complementary soft drinks, juices, and coffee. If you are interested, you may purchase snacks like chips, cookies, or pretzels for three dollars a bag.

4. Passengers waiting for Flight 774 to Chicago, may I have your attention, please. Your flight will be departing at 11:30. Will passengers Tom and Carrie Simpson please report to an agent as soon as possible at Gate 16?

5. The 9:20 train to Los Angeles will be departing from Platform 10 in two minutes. All passengers who are waiting for the 9:20 train, will you please proceed to Platform 10 immediately?

6. Your attention, please. The 12:10 train to Concord has been delayed. The train will now arrive on the same platform at 12:30. That's half past 12:00.

### Listening 2

1. Could you please tell me which platform the train to Toronto leaves from? And is it on the right or the left?

2. Would you please help me get my bags down so I can get off the plane? They're too high for me to reach.

3. Excuse me, sir. Do you know where the Transamerica Airlines counter is? Is it past the Northern Airlines counter?

4. Molly, we're about to land, so you need to fasten your seatbelt now. Do you need me to help you?

5. Let's find window seats so we can see things as they go by. I don't like having to look around other people.

6. But I have to be in Toronto tonight! Isn't there another flight I could take? I really have to get there tonight!

### Listening 3

1. A: How was your flight?  
B: Oh, it was great! My flight was overbooked, and the airline asked for volunteers to go on a later flight. I volunteered because the next flight was only an hour later, and the airline gave me \$300! It pays to be bumped!

2. A: Did you have a good flight?  
B: Ugh, no, it was terrible.  
A: Oh, no! Why?  
B: The flight was fully booked, so every seat was taken. I was crammed between this guy who was snoring the whole time and a really messy kid who got his chips all over me. I couldn't wait for it to be over!

3. A: Did you have any trouble finding the house?  
B: No, not at all. We used the GPS. But it sure was a long drive.  
A: Did you stop anywhere?  
B: Yeah, we stopped at a rest stop about halfway here to get a cold drink and stretch our legs. It was really hot out, and there were a ton of people there. I guess it was a good weekend for road trips.

4. A: How was the drive?  
B: It was okay.  
A: Really? You look worn out.  
B: Well, I guess we are pretty exhausted. It was so hot out, and the air conditioning broke an hour into the trip. We stopped at the halfway mark to switch drivers and eat lunch. Then we had trouble starting the car.

5. A: Did you enjoy the ride?  
B: Oh, it was great! It was nice to just relax and not have to worry about driving. I read my book and did sudoku puzzles the whole way. And I met some really nice people, too. They were on their way to Boston, too. I don't know why I've never taken the train before!

6. A: How was the trip?  
B: Pretty good, I guess. I don't really know because I was asleep the whole time.  
A: Really?  
B: Yeah, pretty much. I started reading a book, but then I fell asleep and didn't wake up until ten minutes after my stop. I had to get off the train and get on another one going the other direction. I'll have to set the alarm on my phone next time.