

TOEFL LESSON 9

INDEPENDENT QUESTIONS

Q1: Who would you like to go on a trip abroad with? Describe this person and say why he/she would be a good travel companion for you.

Q2: Which person are you most likely to go to with a personal problem? Describe this person and say why you would go to him/her in particular.

Q3: Who is the most intelligent person you know? Describe the person and say why you think he/she is intelligent.

INTEGRATED TASK



Now listen to a short conversation between a student and her friend.



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speaking time: 00:00:00:00

Audio Tape scripts:

Narrator 1: Now listen to a conversation between a student and her friend.

Student: I need to earn some extra money. My budget's just out of control.

Friend: I hear you. I had the same problem last semester.

Student: So what did you do?

Friend: I got a job at the cafeteria. I don't really like the work, but the good thing is that you get free meals.

Student: Really? Are they hiring?

Friend: I don't know, but I could ask. The pay isn't great though. See, the meals are the thing.

Student: Oh. Still, that would cut down on the grocery bill.

Friend: Yeah . . . Or, you know what? You could rent that extra room in your apartment. I'll bet you could get \$250 a month, at least.

Student: I've been thinking about that. It would help with the rent and the utilities, and I wouldn't have to work so I could use my time for my classes, but, I keep thinking, what if my roommate doesn't pay on time, or what if there's a lot of noise.

Friend: Well, you'd have to have a deposit and a contract . . . something in writing so you could keep the deposit if there were problems, and you could break the contract if it didn't work out.

Narrator 1: Describe the woman's problem, and the two suggestions that her friend makes about how to handle it. What do you think the woman should do, and why?

VOCABULARY HOMEWORK:

1. Milk can serve as an antidote for some poisons.
(A) anthem
(B) **remedy**
(C) anthropology
(D) antecedent
2. Some people have a strong antipathy to modern art.
(A) affection
(B) predilection
(C) **aversion**
(D) preference
3. These antiquated notions should be erased.
(A) radical
(B) premature
(C) **old-fashioned**
(D) modernistic
4. The aperture of the camera was too small.
(A) tool
(B) aperture
(C) antithesis
(D) apothecary
5. The apocryphal story was not true.
(A) sarcasm
(B) warning
(C) **maxim**
(D) zenith
6. an aphorism not always true.
(A) sarcasm
(B) warning
(C) **maxim**
(D) zenith
7. An expert in one field will often show an appalling ignorance in other fields.
(A) fondling
(B) glorifying
(C) culminating
(D) **shocking**
8. That publication was said to be a Communist espionage apparatus.
(A) **tool**
(B) aperture
(C) antithesis
(D) apothecary

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" The style is the man himself " is

(D)vexation

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