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Conversation Practice

Directions: practice the following conversations with a partner.

Conversation 1: Calling a child's school

- A: Ring! Ring!
- B: Hello, you have reached Alpine academy. This is Carol. How may I help you?
- A: Hi, my name is Eleanor Wright. I am calling to inform you that my child is sick and will not be in school today.
- B: What is your child's name?
- A: Anna Wright.
- B: How do you spell that?
- A: Anna is spelled A-N-N-A, and Wright is spelled W-R-I-G-H-T.
- B: Thank you. What grade is Anna in?
- A: She is in second grade.
- B: And what is her teacher's name?
- A: Mr. Roberts
- B: All right. Thank you for calling.
- A: You're welcome.
- B: Goodbye.
- A: Okay bye.

Conversation 2: Wrong numbers and right numbers

- A. Ring! Ring!
- B. Hello?
- A. Hi, this is Nidia. Is Sherri there?
- B. I'm sorry. You have the wrong number.
- A. Is this 555-5024?
- B. No, it isn't.

- A. Oh, I'm sorry.
- A. Ring! Ring!
- C. Hello?
- A. Hi, this is Nidia. Is Sherri there?
- C. No, she isn't.
- A. Oh okay. Do you know if she went to the mall already? I was supposed to meet her there.
- C. Yes, she just left.
- A. Okay I will go to meet her then.
- C. Okay that sounds good. I hope you find her there.
- A. Oh, thank you.
- C. No problem. Goodbye.
- A. Goodbye.

Conversation 3: Going to the Beach

- A: Hi Chen. How are you?
- B: Fine. How are you doing Lisa?
- A: Fine. I have been working a lot lately and need a break.
- B: Yes, I have been working hard lately too.
- A: Well, I was wondering if you would like to come to the beach with me this weekend.
- B: Yes, that sounds great! Is it okay if my brother and sister come also?
- A: Yeah, that's fine. I was going to ask them if they wanted to come anyway!
- B: Oh, okay great. I think we should leave Friday after work. How does 5:00 sound to you?
- A: Leaving at 5:00 sounds fine. We should be ready by then.
- B: Okay, I will pick you up from your house at 5:00. I think we should take one car to save gas.
- A: Yes, I think that is a good idea. I am excited to go to the beach this weekend!
- B: So am I!
- A: Okay, I will talk to you later.
- B: Okay, bye.
- A: Bye.

Conversation 4: Telemarketers

A: Ring! Ring!

- B: Hello?
- A: Hi, may I please speak to Andy Macintyre?
- B: Yes, this is Andy speaking.
- A: Andy, this is Terry Ortiz from Downtown Insurance Company. How are you this evening?
- B: Fine, thank you.
- A: The reason I'm calling tonight is that we are offering a new special policy that can save you a lot of money.
- B: No thank you. I'm not interested.
- A: Are you sure you do not want to take advantage of this one time offer?
- B: Yes, I am sure.
- A: All right. Thank you anyway.
- B: Goodbye.
- A: Goodbye.

(To stop a sales person from calling say "Please take me off of your list." By law the person must stop. She/he may explain that it will take three weeks to remove your name from the list, but the conversation will be finished.)

Conversation 5: A Game of Basketball

- A: Hi guys
- B: Hey Sergio, what's up?
- A: Oh, not much. I'm bored.
- C: Hey Sergio, if you are bored you should play a game of basketball with us. We are just about to begin.
- D: Yeah, that sounds like a great idea.
- A: Well, okay. I'll play, but I'm not very good.
- B: That doesn't matter. None of us are very good. Besides, we are just playing for some exercise.
- A: Okay cool.
- C: There are four of us so we should play 2 on 2.
- D: Yeah, that seems fair.
- A: Let me put my athletic shoes on and I will be ready to go.
- B: Okay, we will wait for you.
- C: I am glad that we will finally have even teams!
- D: This should be fun!