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benchmark feedback personality clash With a partner, use expressions for introducing a point and seeing both sides to explain the advantages and disadvantages of the following:

1 Living in your parents' home or moving away and sharing a flat with friends. Example:

Firstly, living with your parents is not always easy. On the whole it's cheaper to stay at home, but the experience of living away from home is richer. As regards sharing with friends, it's true that sometimes there will be personality clashes, but, on the other hand, it's good to know that there's always a friend around when you need help.

2 Studying something you dislike but are good at, and which pays well, or something you love doing, are perhaps not so good at, and which is badly paid.

3 Having a part-time job or borrowing money from the bank to pay for your studies, or working for two or three years before going to university.

4 Taking an interesting but badly-paid job in a small company in order to get more responsibility, or a boring but well-paid job in a large company with few career prospects.

5 Changing companies, cities and countries regularly to increase your experience and salary, or working all your life in the same town for the same company.

Roleplay

Roleplay these job interviews, following instructions 1–4.

Student A: Interview Student B for a job as marketing assistant for the world's biggest nightclub in Ibiza.

Student B: Interview Student A for a job as marketing assistant for the world's most famous circus.

- 1 Meet in separate groups of As or Bs to decide what qualities (e.g. energy, loyalty, maturity); skills (e.g. communication, organizational, IT) and experience (e.g. promoting student events, market research, customer service) you will be looking for in the ideal candidate. Prepare questions to test the candidate in each area.
- 2 Agree on a time limit, and meet a partner to hold the interviews. Each candidate should give reasons why they are the best person for the job.
- 3 After the interviews, meet again in your groups of As or Bs to decide which candidate will get the job.
- 4 Meet in your pairs of A and B to announce the result and give your partner reasons why they did or didn't get the job.





Search for the keywords how to answer interview questions. Make a list of your favourite questions and practise asking and answering them with a partner.

