

## 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.



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

Preparation time: 20 seconds

Speaking time: 60 seconds

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. Don't be apathetic toward people's suffering.  
(A) alert  
(B) **insensible**  
(C) vigilant  
(D) receptive
  5. The manager has reached his apex of career.  
(A) ebb  
(B) **acme**  
(C) bottom  
(D) downfall
  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
  9. When spring comes, gay apparels are every seen.  
(A) birds  
(B) animals  
(C) leaves  
(D) **clothes**
  10. Appeasement often brings blackmail.  
(A) exasperation  
(B) **conciliation**  
(C) aggravation  
(D) vexation
- " The style is the man himself " is

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