D Love and friendship

D1 I've met my soulmate ...

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▶ 24 1a Julia und Carl treffen sich auf einen Cocktail. Während sie auf ihren Freund Scott warten, unterhalten sie sich. Hören Sie die Unterhaltung. Worüber reden sie?

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▶ 25 1c Nach einer kleinen Verspätung stößt Scott dazu und die drei Freunde unterhalten sich weiter. Hören Sie die Fortsetzung des Gesprächs und entscheiden Sie, welches Bild zu welcher Person passt.

5. Julia thinks that a long-distance relationship has advantages.

4. Carl thinks long-distance relationships are great.

Julia • Scott • Carl







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25	1d Hören Sie das Gespräch noch ei	nma	I und kreuzen Sie an.			
	1. Scott and Karen met ☐ on a bus	sines	ss trip. 🔲 on a dating app.			
	2. Karen		wants to find a job in London.			
	3. Scott and Karen both like ☐ art ☐ architecture ☐ cycling ☐ the sea ☐ literature ☐ hiking.					
	4. Julia and her partner ☐ have me	et re	cently. have been together for a long time.			
	5. Julia ☐ wants to ☐ doesn't want to have children.					
	6. Carl is ☐ separated. ☐ divorce	ed.				
▶ 26	•	eun	r Zeit nicht gesehen haben, erkundigt din. Hören Sie und nehmen Sie mithilfe			
			By the way, do you have any news from Rosie? I haven't seen her in ages.			
	Es geht ihr gut. Sie treffen sich ziemlich oft.	•	She's fine! We			
		•	Is she still going out with that strange guy?			
	Sie verneinen. Rosie hat Manny vor drei Jahren verlassen. Sie hat jetzt einen anderen Freund. Er heißt Joe.	•				
	, ,	٠	Have they known each other for a long time?			
	Sie kennen sich schon seit fast zwei Jahren.	A				
			Really! How did they meet?			
	Sie haben sich bei einem Yoga- Kurs in einem Resort auf Bali kennengelernt.	•				
		٠	Wow, just like in a Hollywood film! Do they have other things in common besides yoga?			

Sie bejahen. Rosie und Joe haben viel gemeinsam. Sie beide lieben Kunst und reisen gern, und sie interessieren sich (beide) für Politik

Momentan haben sie nicht vor, zu heiraten. Sie möchten aber bald zusammenziehen (= to move in together).

Rosie möchte sich jetzt erst einmal auf ihre Karriere konzentrieren, aber später will sie auf jeden Fall Kinder haben.

Rosie has really found her soulmate, then! Do they have plans for the future? Do they want to get married?

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- And what about children?
- Wow, that's some news!





D1 I've met my soulmate ...

▶ 24 1a/b Text

- Hi Julia! Nice to see you again!
- Hi Carl! Yeah, the last time we saw each other was at Scott's, Christmas two years ago, wasn't it?
- Wow, that's right. It's been two years. I can't wait to catch up with you.
- Well, Scott has some news ...
- Where is Scott anyway? He's always late, just like he was in university. He's probably at home getting ready ... perfect shirt, perfect shoes, perfect hair. Some things never change.
- Aw, poor Scott. You always did tease him so! But this time he has a good excuse. He sent me a message about half an hour ago. He'll be here soon. He's just bringing Karen to the station.
- Karen? Who's that? One of his many girls?
- She's his new girlfriend! But this time it's serious. They've known each other for almost a year and are great together. She's a teacher in Edinburgh.
- Wow, so they have a long-distance relationship?
- Yeah, for now they do.
- Well, you know how I feel about long-distance relationships. It's great in the beginning when both see everything through rose-coloured glasses.
- You always were such a pessimist! They've been together for almost a year!
 Their relationship seems to be working fine!
- Think about it. How can they manage? They live more than 500 kilometres apart. He's here in London and she's in Edinburgh. How often do they see each other? How can they really get to know each other? Maybe they have an open relationship?
- What do you mean, open relationship? They see each other three weekends a month. They have more time for their hobbies and friends during the week, and then when they see each other, they spend the whole weekend together. So, the time they spend together is more intense! Look, here he comes ...

1a Lösung

Julia and Carl are talking about Scott's love life.

▶ 24 1b Lösung

		true	false
1.	Scott is late because he's getting ready.		X
	Scott is late because he's bringing Karen to the station.		
2.	Karen and Scott have known each other for two years.		X
	Karen and Scott have known each other for almost a year.		
3.	Karen and Scott have a long-distance relationship.	×	
4.	Carl thinks long-distance relationships are great.		X
	Carl isn't sure long-distance relationships can work.		
5.	Julia thinks that a long-distance relationship has advantages.	×	

▶ 25 **1c/d Text**

- Hi guys! Sorry, I had to bring ...
- ... Karen to the station. We know!
- Ah, I see you've heard the news, Carl!
- Yeah, Julia told me about your new Scottish girlfriend. Did you meet on a business trip?
- No, we met on a dating app. We chatted a bit, exchanged phone numbers, had a couple of video chats ... Then I drove to Edinburgh and surprised her one Saturday.
- Imagine that! Scott, you've really grown up! So what are you two gonna do? A long-distance relationship isn't easy.
- Yeah, that's true. And we do want to live together. She has lived in London before and would like to come back. She's got some contacts and wants to look for a new job here.
- Doesn't that seem a bit rushed? You've only known each other for about a year, haven't you?
- Yeah, but we have a lot in common: We both love art, architecture, hiking ... We understand each other without even saying a word. I have to say, I think I've found my soulmate.
- Super, Scott! You're in love! And you, Julia? Don't you want to get married? You and Mark have been together for ages!



- Yeah, you're right ... almost ten years. But you know, I don't really believe in "getting married". Our relationship is fine as it is and we don't plan on getting married. But our little family is growing!
- Wow! You're having a baby?! Congratulations!
- What? You think I'm pregnant? No! Mark and I have decided to adopt a dog! We've been to the animal shelter a few times and have spent some time with him. We can bring him home in a couple of days. Fido is a beautiful Labrador and so cuddly soft! Of course we want to have children at some point, but not yet. Who knows ... maybe in a couple of years. And you, Carl?
- Well, I don't plan on getting married again. The divorce is finally settled. We signed the papers last week and now I'm a happy single.

1c Lösung

Foto A: Scott Foto B: Carl Foto C: Julia

► 25 1d Lösung

- 1. Scott and Karen met on a dating app.
- 2. Karen wants to find a job in London.
- 3. Scott and Karen both like art architecture hiking.
- 4. Julia and her partner have been together for a long time.
- 5. Julia wants to have children.
- 6. Carl is divorced.

▶ 26 1e Text/mögliche Lösung

- By the way, do you have any news from Rosie? I haven't seen her in ages.
- ▲ She's fine! We get together quite often.
- Is she still going out with that strange guy?
- ▲ No, Rosie left Manny three years ago. She has another boyfriend now. His name's Joe.
- Have they known each other for a long time?
- ▲ They've known each other for almost two years.
- Really! How did they meet?
- ▲ They met on a yoga course at a resort in Bali.
- Wow, just like in a Hollywood film! Do they have other things in common besides yoga?
- ▲ Yes, Rosie and Joe have a lot in common. They both love art and travelling and they're both interested in politics.
- Rosie has really found her soulmate, then! Do they have plans for the future? Do they want to get married?
- ▲ They're not planning on getting married right now, but they'd like to move in together soon.
- And what about children?
- A Rosie would like to concentrate on her career right now, but she definitely wants to have children in the future.
- Wow, that's some news!

D2 I can't stand arrogant people!

▶ 27 2a Sie hören eine Radiosendung. Kreuzen Sie das Bild an, das dem Thema der Sendung am besten entspricht.







2 7	2b Hören Sie die Radiosendung noch einmal und beantworten Sie die Fragen.					
	1.	When is International Friendship day celebrated?				
	2.	When did International Friendship Day start? Why?				
	3.	How can we celebrate International Friendship Day?				
	4.	What does the saying "to stand by someone through thick and thin" mean?				

► 28 **2c** Der Radiomoderator interviewt die Hörer Maria und Luke. Welche Themen werden behandelt?

In the interview, Maria and Luke are talking about

- ☐ their weaknesses.
- ☐ characteristics in other people which they can't stand.
- ☐ characteristics of a true friend.
- ☐ their best friends' characteristics.

▶ 28 2d Hören Sie die Interviews noch einmal und vervollständigen Sie die Sätze.



For Maria, a true friend is <u>reliable.</u>	
Maria can't stand	
The best thing about her friend Michelle is	



For Luke, a true friend is
Luke can't stand
The best thing about Luke's friend Nick is
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29 2e Sie sind in England und werden auf der Straße für einen Radiosender zum Thema Freundschaft befragt. Antworten Sie wie im Beispiel und mithilfe der Angaben.

Beispiel:

- In your opinion, what is a true friend like?
- ▲ For me, a true friend is helpful and ...
- 1. Ein wahrer Freund ist für Sie hilfsbereit und geduldig. Er kann zuhören und er steht Ihnen auch in schwierigen Zeiten zur Seite (= to stand by someone through thick and thin).
- Sie können Unaufrichtigkeit (= dishonesty) und Leute, die Lügen erzählen, nicht ausstehen.
- 3. Martin ist ein guter Freund von Ihnen. Sie kennen ihn seit langer Zeit und er ist wie ein Bruder für Sie.
- 4. Martin ist eine ehrliche, offene und warmherzige (= warm-hearted) Person. Seine beste Eigenschaft ist seine Liebenswürdigkeit (= kindness).



D2 I can't stand arrogant people!

▶ 27 **2a/b Text**

- Good morning and a warm welcome to "UK At The Moment". I'm Charles Smith and I'll be here with you for the next three hours. Today we're going to talk about something that affects people all over the world. It's a very special feeling. We're going to talk about friendship. Because today, the 30th of July. is International Friendship Day. How did it start? Sociologist Rita Martin is here to tell us all about it. Good Morning, Rita!
- Good morning, Charles! Thanks for having me on the show. So, International Friendship Day started around ten years ago. In 2011 the UN General Assembly officially recognised this special day to highlight the importance of friendship and to promote solidarity and harmony among people. We can all contribute to peace in the world every day by being considerate and generous to the people around us.
- So this special day is not only about friendship between individual persons, but also about friendship among people of different cultures, backgrounds and ages. And as Rita said, we can celebrate Friendship Day by sharing love and affection with the people who are important to us. Friends are special people who are there for each other in good times and in bad times, or as we say, they "stand by you through thick and thin". But, Rita, is there a secret formula for true friendship?
- There may not be a formula, but an American psychologist has determined the characteristics of a true or not-so-true friend. We all know some of these traits a little: a true friend is honest, patient and kind. He or she listens to our problems and helps us to recognise our mistakes. But according to the psychologist, real friends help us to fight stress ... Yes, because they give us advice and they help us to make the right decisions ...
- Very true. Thank you so much, Rita.

2a Lösung

Zur Radiosendung passt Foto B.

▶ 27 2b Lösung

- 1. On 30th July.
- 2. In 2011; to highlight the importance of friendship and to promote solidarity and harmony among people.
- 3. By sharing love and affection with the people who are important to us.
- 4. It means to be there for someone in good times and in bad times.

▶ 28 **2c/d Text**

- And now let's hear what our listeners have to say. We have Maria on the line. Welcome, Maria!
- Hello, Charles.
- So, Maria, what do you think a true friend is?
- Well, for me, a true friend is reliable. I have to be able to count on them, especially when I really need them. I don't have a lot of friends, but I have a small circle of people who I trust. My friends are people that I've known since my childhood and who are always there for me.
- Indeed, I agree. You know who your true friends are because they're there for you in good and bad times. But do the people in your circle also have characteristics that you don't like? If so, what are they?
- Well, I can't stand arrogant people. I'm quite a modest and shy person, and arrogant people make me feel uncomfortable. Fortunately, my friends are mostly like me.
- Maria, let's talk about your best friend. What do you like best about that person?
- My best friend is Michelle. I've known her my whole life. The best thing about her is her optimism. She's a positive person. For her, the glass is always half full – in every situation.
- Thank you, Maria. Let's talk to our next listener. Hi, Luke. The same question: What makes a true friend?
- ▲ Hi! Well, for me, a true friend is honest and straightforward and says what he thinks. One thing I really appreciate in other people is honesty.
- And what can't you stand in other people?
- ▲ I don't like people who are always late, because that shows disrespect for others. Sure, it can happen, now and then, that someone's late for an appointment because something came up. But there are some people who are never on time!
- Last question: Think of one of your good friends. What do you think his or her best characteristic is?
- Well, Nick is a good friend of mine. We've only known each other for four years, but he's like a brother to me. His best characteristic is his generosity. He's a selfless person. He always makes time to help anyone at a moment's notice. He's a really good guy.
- Thanks, Luke. And now let's talk to ...

2c Lösung

In the interview, Maria and Luke are talking about

- 🛛 characteristics in other people which they can't stand.
- itheir best friends' characteristics.

▶ 28 2d Lösung



For Maria, a true friend is reliable.

Maria can't stand arrogant people.

The best thing about her best friend Michelle is her optimism.



For Luke, a true friend is honest and straightforward.

Luke can't stand people who are always late.

The best thing about Luke's friend Nick is his generosity.

▶ 29 **2e Text/mögliche Lösung**

- 1. In your opinion, what is a true friend like?
 - For me, a true friend is helpful and patient. They can listen and stand by me through thick and thin.
- 2. What characteristics can't you stand in other people?
 - I can't stand dishonesty and people who tell lies.
- 3. Do you have a friend who you have a special bond with?
 - ▲ Martin is a good friend of mine. I've known him for a long time and he's like a brother to me.
- 4. How would you describe Martin? What is his best characteristic?
 - Martin is an honest, open and warm-hearted person. His best characteristic / The best thing about him is his kindness.

D3 Office gossip

▶ 30 3a Hören Sie das Gespräch und wählen Sie das dazu passende Foto aus.







▶ 30	3b Bringen Sie das Gespräch in die richtige Reihenfolge. Hören Sie anschließend erneut zur Überprüfung.
	☐ George, have you seen Luke?
	Hmm, I've also wondered about that. Maybe they've been together for months!
	Uh, because I got a phone call for him, but he's not in his office.
	No, I've checked, but he's not there. And Michelle isn't at her desk either.
	It's lunchtime. They might be having lunch together.
	Well, he must be down at the café.
	Gosh, when I think about it, those two have lunch together quite often. They could be having an affair.
	No, I haven't. Why?
	■ Shh. Look, here comes Luke. Let's change the subject.
▶ 31	3c Sie halten einen Plausch mit Ihrer Kollegin. Hören Sie ihre Fragen und antworten Sie wie im Beispiel. Verwenden Sie must (✓) bzw. might / could (?).
	Beispiel:
	What's wrong with Lily? She's out again today.
	▲ Hmm, she must be off sick again.
	 0. off sick again (be) ✓ 1. in a meeting (be) ✓ 2. 28 years old (be) ? 4. taking a coffee break (be) ✓



D3 Office gossip

▶ 30 3a Lösung

Zum Dialog passt Foto C.

▶ 30 3a/b Text/Lösung

- George, have you seen Luke?
- No, I haven't. Why?
- Uh, because I got a phone call for him, but he's not in his office.
- Well, he must be down at the café.
- No, I've checked, but he's not there. And Michelle isn't at her desk either.
- It's lunchtime. They might be having lunch together.
- Gosh, when I think about it, those two have lunch together quite often. They could be having an affair.
- Hmm, I've also wondered about that. Maybe they've been together for months!
- Shh. Look, here comes Luke. Let's change the subject.

▶ 31 3c Text/mögliche Lösung

- 1. Do you know where Lucy is? There's someone here to see her.
 - Hmm, she must be in a meeting.
- 2. How old is the new colleague?
 - ▲ Hmm, he might / could be about 28 years old.
- 3. How long does it take to drive to Manchester?
 - ▲ Hmm, it might / could take about three hours.
- 4. What's Sabrina doing?
 - ▲ Hmm, she must be taking a coffee break.

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