Meeting people at a dinner

Listen to introductions at a dinner party to practise and improve your listening skills.

Before listening

Do the preparation task first. Then listen to the audio and do the exercises.

Preparation task

Choose the TWO correct answers. One answer is not correct.

1. How are you?
   a. Am fine.
   b. Fine.
   c. I’m fine.

2. Nice to meet you.
   a. Nice to meet you.
   b. Nice to meet you too.
   c. Thank you.

3. Do you know Jack?
   a. I know.
   b. No, I don’t.
   c. Yes, I know him.

4. Do you remember?
   a. Yes, do.
   b. Yes, I do.
   c. Yes, I remember.

5. Would you like a drink?
   a. Good idea.
   b. How are you?
   c. Yes, please.

6. Here you are.
   a. Thanks.
   b. Thank you.
   c. You’re welcome.
Tasks

Task 1
Write a number (1–6) to put the sentences in the order that you hear them.

1. My name isn’t Alison.
2. Do you know Alyssa?
3. Nice to meet you too.
4. Do you remember?
5. Alyssa was there.
6. Would you like a drink?

Task 2
Are the sentences true or false?

1. Julian remembers Alyssa.  Answer: True
2. Ben is Alyssa’s brother. Answer: False
3. They were at Ben’s wedding. Answer: True
4. The wedding was in February. Answer: True
5. Julian says the wrong name. Answer: True
6. Alyssa doesn’t want a drink. Answer: False

Discussion
How often do you meet new people?
Transcript

Charles: Hello, Julian.

Julian: Hello, Charles. How are you?

Charles: I’m fine. Fine. Julian, do you remember Alyssa?

Julian: No, I don’t.

Charles: She’s Ben’s sister. Do you remember? We were all at Ben’s wedding together.

Julian: Ah, yes, I do – in that old castle. Was it in January?

Charles: Yes, it was! Alyssa was there.

Alyssa: Hello. Nice to meet you … again.

Julian: Hello, nice to meet you too, Alison.

Alyssa: I’m not Alison.

Julian: What?

Alyssa: My name isn’t Alison. It’s Alyssa.

Julian: I’m sorry. Nice to meet you, Alyssa.

Charles: Good. Would you like a drink?

Julian: Good idea.

Alyssa: Yes, please.

Charles: Here you are.

Alyssa and Julian: Thanks!
Answers

Preparation task
1. b, c
2. a, b
3. b, c
4. b, c
5. a, c
6. a, b

Task 1
1. Do you know Alyssa?
2. Do you remember?
3. Alyssa was there.
4. Nice to meet you too.
5. My name isn’t Alison.
6. Would you like a drink?

Task 2
1. False
2. True
3. True
4. False
5. True
6. False