

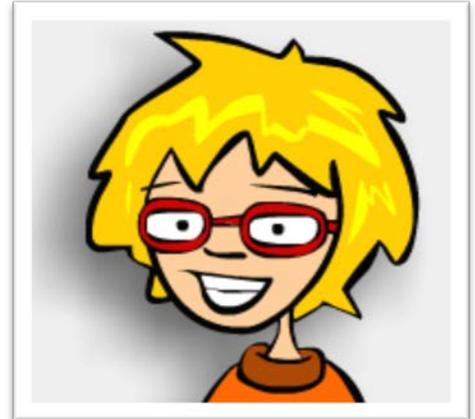
## Meet Magda

### Introduction

This support pack accompanies: Meet the Cast – Magda

This support pack contains the following materials:

- Before you listen: Vocabulary match up
- Audio script
- Comprehension Task: True or false
- Vocabulary: Adverbs of frequency / Describing your routine
- Magda's Season 1 – Can you remember what happened to Magda?



### Before you listen

We suggest you do the vocabulary activity below before you listen. Then listen to the episode and do the first task to check your understanding. Finally, practise some vocabulary and grammar.

Match the words and phrases in the boxes to their definitions.

1. pronounce	2. apologise	3. architecture	4. postgraduate
5. expensive	6. friendship	7. museums	8. to hang out

### Definitions:

- To tell someone that you are sorry
- To spend a lot of time (informal)
- Costing a lot of money
- The study of designing buildings
- To say something in the right way
- Places where old or interesting objects can be seen
- When people are friends
- Courses and certificates for people with a first degree

## Audio script

Hello everybody - my name's Magda. Magda Gozinski - that's quite difficult to pronounce - so everyone just calls me Magda.

I'm from Poland but I've been living in London for two years now. I'm trying to improve my English so I apologise if I make mistakes sometimes or if I don't understand you.

I'm here studying architecture - I'm doing a post graduate degree. I want to become an architect and design buildings but it's quite difficult.

I hope I'll get a job when I finish my studies so then I can stay in the UK or perhaps go somewhere else. I'd like to travel a lot but I haven't really been anywhere yet, apart from Poland and Britain. Johnny tells me that I should go to China - perhaps I will.

London is great - so many people from all over the world. But it's very expensive and money's a

problem for me - I'm a poor student - a lot of people here in London only seem to be interested in money. I don't like that attitude. I think there are more important things in life than money. Friendship, for example.

Sometimes I miss my family in Poland - but I'm happy here I've got a great bunch of friends here. Sarah is my best friend. She has lots of the same interests as me and we often visit museums or go to shows together. Olivia is a good friend as well. She'll always help when you've got a problem. Ha - the boys are funny too!

We always meet up in Tony's cafe. It's not far from where I live so it's a good place to hang out.

The weather in England isn't great - it rains a lot, so it's good to have a place inside where we can all be together. Tony makes good coffee too.

## Comprehension Task

Read the sentences and decide if they are true or false

1. Magda has been in London for two months.
2. Magda already has a degree.
3. Magda has travelled all around the world.
4. Magda has lots of money.
5. Money is not very important for Magda.
6. Magda is sad because she misses her family.
7. Magda likes going to museums with Olivia.
8. Magda likes the weather in London.

## Language task

### Adverbials of frequency

When you introduce yourself, it is common that you might say a bit about your normal routine. When Magda introduces herself, she uses words like 'sometimes' and 'often' when she talks about things she does. These words are adverbs and they are used to say how often we do things.

Can you fill in the gaps using the same expressions Magda used?

The words and expressions are in the green box.

<i>Always x 2</i>	<i>A lot</i>	<i>Often</i>	<i>Sometimes x 2</i>
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1. I'm trying to improve my English so I apologise if I make mistakes \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ I miss my family in Poland
3. Sarah is my best friend. She has lots of the same interests as me and we \_\_\_\_\_ visit museums or go to shows together.
4. Olivia is a good friend as well. She'll \_\_\_\_\_ help when you've got a problem.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ meet up in Tony's cafe. It's not far from where I live so it's a good place to hang out.
6. The weather in England isn't great - it rains \_\_\_\_\_.

## Magda's Season 1

Read the questions about Magda's life throughout season 1. Try to answer the questions. You might have to go back and listen to some of the earlier episodes again if you can't remember.

1. In episode 1, who introduces Magda?
  - a. Sarah
  - b. Johnny
  - c. She introduces herself.
2. In episode 3, where does Magda suggest that Harry looks for a job?
  - a. the newspaper
  - b. the internet
  - c. on notice board

3. In episode 4, what does Magda think of Harry?
  - a. She thinks he's funny.
  - b. She thinks he's handsome.
  - c. She thinks he's greedy.
4. In episode 6, what does Magda think of Olivia's nephew Joe?
  - a. He's so sweet.
  - b. He's so cute.
  - c. He's so funny.
5. In episode 7, Magda is thinking about getting a job. What does she want to do?
  - a. She wants to work in a cafe.
  - b. she wants to work as an architect.
  - c. She wants to work in an office.
6. In episode 8, who promises to give Magda interview advice?
  - a. Johnny
  - b. Fadi
  - c. Sarah
7. In episode 9, Magda is given a lot of interview advice. How does it make her feel?
  - a. It makes her feel confused.
  - b. It makes her feel confident.
  - c. It makes her feel nervous.
8. In episode 10, whose toe did Magda step on?
  - a. Olivia
  - b. Johnny
  - c. Harry
9. In episode 11, did Magda get the job?
  - a. No, she didn't.
  - b. Yes, she did.
10. In episode 12, Magda has been offered a permanent job. What does she have to do first?
  - a. She has to get a car.
  - b. She has to get a distinction in her master degree.
  - c. She has to get her hair cut.

## Answers

*Before you listen: 1 - e, 2 - a, 3 - d, 4 - h, 5 - c, 6 - g, 7 - f, 8 - b  
Comprehension Task: 1 - False, 2 - True, 3 - False, 4 - False, 5 - True, 6 - False, 7 - False, 8 - False  
Language Task: 1 - sometimes, 2 - sometimes, 3 - often, 4 - always, 5 - always, 6 - a lot  
Magda's Season: 1 - c, 2 - b, 3 - c, 4 - a, 5 - b, 6 - a, 7 - c, 8 - b, 9 - b, 10 - b*