Elementary Podcasts
Series 4 Episode 10

While you listen
Elementary Podcasts are suitable for learners with different levels of English. Here are some ways to make them easier (if you have a lower level of English) or more difficult (if you have a higher level of English). You can choose one or two of these suggestions – you don’t have to follow all of them!

Making it easier
- Read all the exercises before you listen to the podcast.
- Look up the words in the exercises that you don’t know in a dictionary.
- Play the podcast as many times as you need.
- Play each part of the podcast separately.
- Read the transcript after you have listened to the podcast.

Making it harder
- Listen to the podcast before you read the exercises.
- Only play the podcast once before answering the questions.
- Play the whole podcast without a break.
- Don’t read the transcript.

Exercises
Answers are at the end of this support pack.

Activity 1
Choose all the sentences that are true according to the podcast.
1. Carolina and Jamie are having a meal with Emily.
2. Emily is eating chicken vindaloo.
3. They talk about Emily’s plans for the future.
4. Emily has a new boyfriend.
5. This is Jamie’s final year at university.
6. Jamie has decided what to do next year.
7. Jamie has got a job in Borneo.
8. Carolina is very surprised at Jamie’s news.

Activity 2
Who said these things? Write C for Carolina, E for Emily or J for Jamie.
1. Chicken vindaloo. It’s very hot.
2. Drink some water.
3. He’s nice.
4. What are your plans?
5. I’m sure I won’t get them.
6. I’m in Newcastle and you’re in Borneo.
7. It’s with orang-utans.
8. Go with the flow. Live in the now.
Activity 3
Complete the sentences with the words from the podcast.

a couple
a decision
applications
believe
conservation
graduate
project
wait

1. Jamie is going to _________ from university this summer.
2. He's thinking about working in the field of nature _________.
3. He's interested in _________ of different projects.
4. He's already sent some _________ for jobs.
5. One _________ is with orang-utans in Borneo.
6. He hasn't made _________ yet about what he wants to do.
7. Carolina can't _________ that Jamie didn't tell her about his plans.
8. Emily says they should _________ and see what happens.

Activity 4
Match the two parts of the mini-dialogues in a restaurant.

1. Enjoy your meal.
2. Is everything OK?
3. Thank you very much.
4. Can I try a bit of yours?
5. Here you are – one raita.
   a) Of course you can.
   b) Thank you very much.
   c) Thank you, we will.
   d) Yes. It's all delicious.
   e) You're welcome.

Activity 5
Can you remember the words? Don't look back at Activity 4!

1. A: Enjoy your _________.
   B: Thank you, we _________.
2. A: Is everything OK?
   B: Yes. It's all _________.
3. A: Thank you very much.
   B: You're _________.
4. A: Can I ________ a bit of yours?
   B: Of course you _________.
5. A: _________ you are – one raita.
   B: Thank you very _________.

Activity 6
Put the words in order to make sentences.

1. not / might / and he / Jamie might / go / to Borneo
2. sure I / applied for / I'm / won't / job I / get the
3. when I / I'll / Don't / get there / worry, / phone you
4. not / said she / the party / Jane / might / come to
5. but I / ask her / won't / You can / know / she / help you
6. promise / I'll / do / I / never / that again
7. chocolate so / like this / You don't / like / you / won't / cake
8. might / orang-utans / in Borneo / You / see / when you're

Activity 7
Using 'might'. Match the endings to the beginnings.

a) but he might win a couple of games.
b) but I'm going to invite him.
c) he might not come to the meeting.
d) I'm not feeling well.
e) Is tomorrow OK?
f) it might be important.
g) It might rain later.
h) we might get a dog.

1. I __________ to work tomorrow – I'm not feeling well.
2. Take your umbrella. It __________ later.
3. He's not playing well this season, but he __________ a couple of games.
4. I __________ time to do it today. Is tomorrow OK?
5. Jack phoned to say he __________ to the meeting.
6. Open the letter – it __________ important.
7. Now we've got a garden we __________ a dog.
8. He __________ to come, but I'm going to invite him.

Activity 8
Can you remember the sentences from Activity 7? Write the missing words.

1. I __________ to work tomorrow – I'm not feeling well.
2. Take your umbrella. It __________ later.
3. He's not playing well this season, but he __________ a couple of games.
4. I __________ time to do it today. Is tomorrow OK?
5. Jack phoned to say he __________ to the meeting.
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Activity 9 – Leave a comment
Do you think Jamie should 'follow his dream'? Or stay with Carolina in Newcastle? And what about Carolina – what should she do?

What would you do in this situation? Should you always 'follow your dreams'? Write and tell us what you think.

Leave a comment on http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/elementary-podcasts/series-04-episode-10 and we'll discuss your answers in the next podcast.
Answers

Activity 1
True: 1, 2, 5, 8
False: 3, 4, 6, 7

Activity 2

Activity 3
1.graduate, 2.conservation, 3.a couple, 4.applications, 5.project, 6.a decision, 7.believe, 8.wait

Activity 4
1.c, 2.d, 3.e, 4.a, 5.b

Activity 5
1.meal, will, 2.delicious, 3.welcome, 4.try, can, 5.Here, much

Activity 6
1. Jamie might go to Borneo and he might not.
2. I'm sure I won't get the job I applied for.
3. Don't worry, I'll phone you when I get there.
4. Jane said she might not come to the party.
5. You can ask her but I know she won't help you.
6. I promise I'll never do that again.
7. You don't like chocolate so you won't like this cake.
8. You might see orang-utans when you're in Borneo.

Activity 7
1.d, 2.g, 3.a, 4.e, 5.c, 6.f, 7.h, 8.b

Activity 8
1. might not go, 2. might rain, 3. might win, 4. might not have, 5. might not come, 6. might be, 7. might get, 8. might not want