

Recording script

1.1 Your name, please

Receptionist: ... Hello, Cambridge Language College.
Maria: Oh ... yes. Hello. I'd like to attend one of your evening classes ...
Receptionist: Oh, yes. Which class are you interested in?
Maria: English ... it's course 139.
Receptionist: I see ... Course 139 is for intermediate students. Is that the course you want?
Maria: Yes, it is. Intermediate.
Receptionist: Right. Do you want the short course or the long course?
Maria: The long course, please. That's twelve weeks, isn't it?
Receptionist: Yes. Now, I need to take some personal details first. Your name, please?
Maria: Silva.
Receptionist: Silva's your surname, isn't it?
Maria: Yes.
Receptionist: Can you spell that for me?
Maria: Yes. S-I-L-V-A.
Receptionist: Thank you. And your first name?
Maria: Maria.
Receptionist: ... Maria. Thank you. Oh, what's your nationality?
Maria: I'm Mexican. I'm a student at university in Mexico City. I'm here for the summer.
Receptionist: I see. So you speak Spanish and ... any other languages?
Maria: No, just Spanish ... and a little English!
Receptionist: And you're a student ... And your date of birth?
Maria: My date ... Oh! The eleventh of October 1983.
Receptionist: Eleventh of October ... 1983. Where are you staying in Cambridge?
Maria: Sorry?
Receptionist: What's your address here?
Maria: Oh. It's 24 Cherry Road. The postcode is CB1 5AW.
Receptionist: OK. Now then Maria, do you have a telephone number?
Maria: Yes. It's 742980.
Receptionist: 742980. That's fine. The next intermediate English long course starts on Monday at seven pm.

1.2 Nice to meet you

Peem: Can you pass me the salt, please?
James: Sure. Here you are.
Peem: Thanks. Say, are you from the States?
James: That's right. James. James Kent. Pleased to meet you.
Peem: Hi there, James. My name's Peem Thalong.
James: Thalong? That's a Thai name, isn't it?
Peem: That's right. I study at Ascension University.
James: Hey, I've heard of that one! What do you study?
Peem: Engineering. How about you?
James: I study History, at New York University.
Simone: Oh, I study History too!
James: Really! Where?
Simone: At the Sorbonne University ... in Paris. I'm from France.
James: Really! What's your name?
Simone: Simone ... Simone Clement.

James: Hi, Simone. I'm James and the guy cooking is Peem.
Simone: Hi. Hmm ... Smells nice. What are you cooking, Peem?
Peem: I'm cooking a curry. Thai-style! Do you want some?
Simone: That would be great!
Peem/James: Great!
Simone: Can Takeyuki have some too? He's my boyfriend.
Peem: Oh, er ... yeah, sure. Why not?
James: I'll get the plates.
Simone: Oh, look! Here is Takeyuki now!
Takeyuki: Hello.
Peem: I'm Peem. This is James. And ... you know Simone already, right?
Takeyuki: Right!
Simone: Tell them what you do, Takeyuki!
Takeyuki: Oh, yes. I study Computer science ... at Tokyo University.
Simone: Takeyuki's so clever! One day, he's going to have his own company.
Takeyuki: That's right. 'Saito Industries' it'll be called. Saito is my surname.
James: Sounds just great.
Takeyuki: But first Simone and I will get married!
James: That's just great.
Peem: Curry anyone?
Everyone: Mmm, sounds good ...

1.3 What are you like?

Part 1

Psychologist: Look at the shapes in front of you. There are five shapes. Examine each one carefully. You'll notice they are each different in their own way. Look at each one carefully. Think. Which shape do I prefer? Which shape pleases me most? Put number *one* on the line below that shape now ... That's right, put number *one* on the line below the shape you like most. Good. Now give each of the other shapes a number ... two, three, four and five ... in order of preference. Go on. Number each shape in order of preference.

Part 2

Psychologist: Look at the shapes in front of you. Each shape represents a certain type of person. The number you gave to each shape shows how closely you represent that kind of person ... The Triangle ... The triangle represents the desire to succeed and overcome difficulties in order to achieve your goals. You are ambitious and single-minded. You are also very determined. Once you decide what your goal is, you never allow yourself to fail. The Square ... You are a very reliable person. You are honest, and like to make plans and set goals. When you start something you always finish it. You are a stable person. The Circle ... Personal space and time to think are very important to you. You are independent and prefer to solve your own problems than ask others for help. You are confident, and calm. You do not like to be in crowds. Matching triangles ... This shape represents relationships in your life. You value your relationships, and are very loyal to family and friends. You are sympathetic, and can share your thoughts and feelings with others. You are also very sociable, and like working with other people. The Whirlwind ... This shape represents a desire for change ... you want to try something new. You are very creative, always full of new ideas. You are energetic, too. You like starting new projects. Although enthusiastic, your interest may fade and you may have difficulty finishing what you start.