

4B It's all in the mind.

mind



Situation 1

This morning you borrowed your friend's bike without asking. When you see your friend, what do you say?

Response

I hope you don't mind, but I borrowed your bike this morning.

Situation 2

A friend tells you she didn't get any tickets for the concert. This isn't a big problem for you. What do you say?

Response

Oh well, never mind!

Situation 3

You want a friend to help you get ready for the party you're having tonight. What do you say?

Response

Would you mind helping me get ready for the party?

Situation 4

Your friend has rented two DVDs. He asks you which one you want to watch first. You think they are both good. What do you say?

Response

I don't mind which one we watch first.

Situation 5

You are showing a friend around your new house. You are going into a room with a very low doorway. What do you say to your friend?

Response

Mind your head!

Situation 6

Someone you don't know very well has just asked you if you've kissed your boyfriend/girlfriend after the first date. What do you say?

Response

Mind your own business!

Situation 7

This morning you arranged to go out with a friend, but now you want to stay at home. What do you say to your friend?

Response

I'm sorry, but I've changed my mind.

Situation 8

You are outside a cinema and your friend can't decide which film to see. The films start in two minutes! What do you say?

Response

Hurry up and make up your mind!

Situation 9

A friend of yours has been very quiet recently and looks worried about something. What do you say?

Response

Have you got something on your mind?

Situation 10

Your friend tells you she is going to a new modern art exhibition tonight, but she thinks she will hate it. What do you say?

Response

Try to be open-minded.

Situation 11

Your brother gets home and tells you he left his umbrella on the bus. It's not a big problem as it's not raining and it was very old. What do you say?

Response

Oh well, never mind!

Situation 12

You are telling your friend about a job interview you had yesterday, which didn't go very well because you couldn't remember anything when they asked you questions. What do you say?

Response

My mind went blank!

Situation 13

You promised to post a letter for your mother, buy some stamps for your brother and also get some milk but you forgot! What do you say to your family when you get home?

Response

Sorry, I'm very absent-minded today!

Situation 14

Your sister has some important things to say to her husband, but knows they might make him unhappy. You advise her to say exactly what she wants to. What do you say?

Response

You should speak your mind.

Situation 15

You have left your wallet at home and you want to borrow £10 from your friend to buy some lunch. What do you say?

Response

Would you mind lending me £10?

Instructions

You will need: one set of cards per group of three students.

- Shuffle the cards. Divide students into groups of three (include one group of four if necessary). Give each group a set of cards, which they place face down in a pile.
- Student A turns over the top card and reads out the situation to the student on his/her left (Student B), who has to respond using an expression with *mind*. If Student B gives a correct response, Student A gives Student B the card to keep. In order for a response to be correct, it must include the words in *italics* on the question card.
- If Student B cannot answer the question correctly, the question passes round the group. If no student knows the answer, Student A reads it out and keeps the card.
- Student B picks up the next card and reads out the situation to Student C. The turn passes round the group.
- The student who collects the most cards wins.