



This week...

Tina arrives home to discover that she has lost her house key. She calls Scott to help her solve the problem.

Lesson Targets

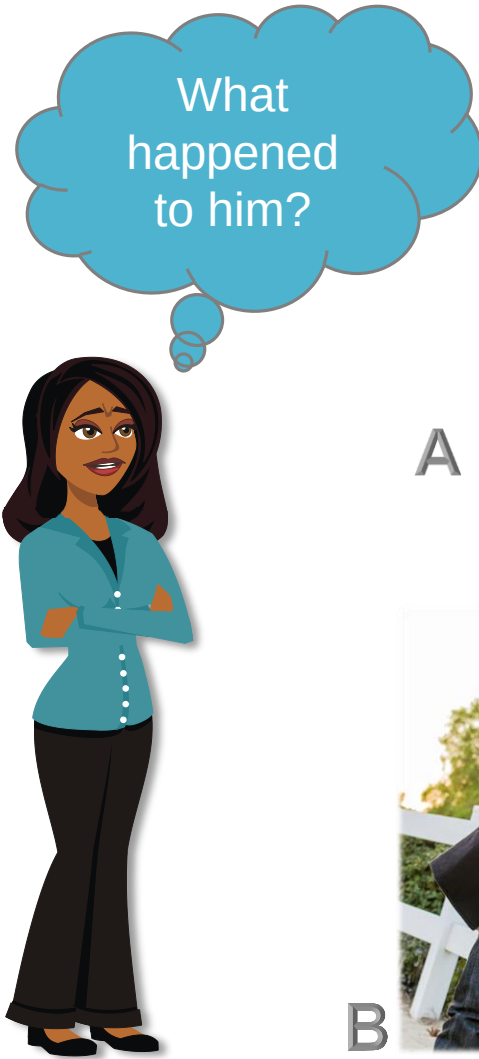
- Dealing with problems
- Helping a friend

Daily English Conversation

Super Class



Have you had to call anybody about some trouble you had recently?



A

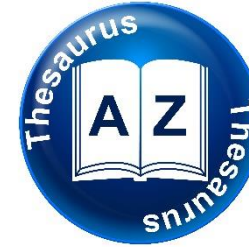


B



C





* Choose the most appropriate meaning of the word from the four options.

1. trouble

- ☐ serenity
- ☐ rapport
- ☐ predicament
- ☐ affinity

2. spare

- ☐ perk
- ☐ sustain
- ☐ bountiful
- ☐ backup

3. stress

- ☐ diminish
- ☐ strain
- ☐ degrade
- ☐ impair

4. important

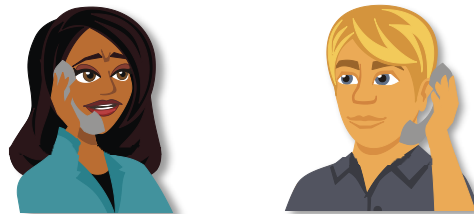
- ☐ secondary
- ☐ vital
- ☐ surplus
- ☐ haywire

5. everywhere

- ☐ someplace
- ☐ far and wide
- ☐ elsewhere
- ☐ nowhere

6. check

- ☐ neglect
- ☐ scrutinize
- ☐ oversight
- ☐ lapse



Tina	Scott, this is Tina. I'm having a bit of trouble right now and I need your help.
Scott	You sound quite stressed. What happened?
Tina	I just arrived home to get a few things to take back to work and it seems like I lost my house key.
Scott	Did you check everywhere for it?
Tina	Yes. It must have fallen out of my purse when I was paying for lunch at the restaurant.
Scott	OK. I will leave work now and go back to my apartment. I have your spare key there. It should only take me about 20 minutes.
Tina	Don't you have an important meeting this afternoon?
Scott	I can get out of it. I would do anything for you, Tina. You know that!
Tina	Thanks Scott. You're the best!



Student A is calling Student B to tell him/her about some trouble that just happened. Student B is giving Student A some advice.

Key Phrases

- I'm having a bit of trouble right now.
- I need your help.
- It seems like I
- Thanks. You're the best!
- You sound quite stressed.
- What can I do to help?
- Don't worry too much. Everything will be OK.
- *Other*

Troubles

- car broke down
- lost house key
- lost wallet and credit cards
- dog ran away
- had an accident
- got injured
- *other*



- ☐ Are you accident prone?
- ☐ Do you react well under pressure?
- ☐ Who would you call first if you were having some trouble?



It is best to call a family member when you are having trouble.

A

Agree

B

Disagree



American Slang

- **call 911** – call the emergency number
He's seriously injured, **call 911!**
- **meltdown** – when a person loses control under pressure.
After everything that was happening I went into **meltdown**.



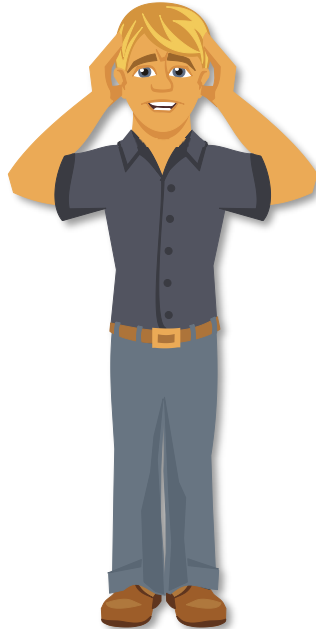
Australian Slang

- **up a gum tree** – in difficulties, stranded
We were **up a gum tree** when our car broke down.
- **servo** – a gas station
We have to find a **servo**, the gas tank is almost empty!



British Slang

- **having a mare** – in a nightmare situation
We were **having a mare** at the office so we had to call in more workers.
- **went to pot** – a situation going out of your control and failing miserably
Robert's day **went to pot** when he discovered he had lost his keys.



Scott



Pharmacist

At the Pharmacy

Whenever we are ill and need medication, whether prescribed by a doctor or bought over-the-counter, we visit a pharmacy. Pharmacists are professionals who are medically trained to give advice on taking medication. In next week's lesson, Scott has caught a bad cold and he goes to the pharmacy to get some medicine.