

A: I quit my main job to become a social-media influencer.

B: How did you decide to make the plunge?

A: A company said they would sponsor me.

B: You must've been creating a lot of buzz.

# 5A-2

A: Most of Japan's employers are behind workplace vaccinations.

B: That's great! I hope they speed up the process.

A: Me too, but honestly I'd rather get it at a clinic.

B: What makes you say that?

A: This couch is too costly.

B: But no other couch seamlessly blends in with our decor.

A: I understand where you are coming from but we can't afford it.

B: We can if you pick up extra shifts at the plant.

#### 5A-4

A: My mom put me in charge of my sister this weekend.

B: Is this your first time keeping an eye on her? A: No, I've done it before but for a shorter period of time.

B: If you need any help don't be afraid to give me a call.

# 5A-5

A: Why did you buy so many plants?

B: I hope the plants will grow enough to block the sunlight.

A: Why not just buy a window shade?

B: Because it's not as aesthetically pleasing.

A: In America at what age are kids able to go out without supervision?

B: Sixteen is the typical age.

A: Sixteen? They are basically an adult by then.

B: Well in America you need to be able to drive to do anything.

# 5A-7

A: Please take a seat. I'm finishing up tidying the room.

B: Do you need anything? I'd like to lend them a helping hand.

A: I'm all right. Just grab a seat.

B: Okay, just holler if you need something.

# 5A-8

A: How did we all manage to get good fortunes this year?

B: Maybe our luck has turned around.

A: Or maybe the temple rigged the fortunes in order to raise our spirits.

B: I guess we'll never know.

A: My friend just got a cooking knife from Gordon Ramsay.

B: That's dope. What is she gonna do with it?

B: Idk, but if I was her I would use it as a decoration.

A: I understand, using it in the kitchen would be a total waste.

# 5A-10

A: What were you just looking at?

B: That girl was acting sus so I snuck a glance.

A: Did you figure out what she was up to?

B: It was a false alarm. It looks like she is just returning a book.

# 5A-11

A: How long can you hold your breath underwater?

B: I can hold my breath for a very long time.

A: Me too. Wanna see who can hold their breath the longest?

B: Let's do it. Ready set go!

A:I'm banking on getting the vaccine next month so I can travel soon.

B: Did you get your vaccine information in the mail?

A: I did but it has been mighty difficult to get a reservation.

B: Next time I'll lend you a helping hand if you'd like.

# 5A-13

A: What are you acting all fussy about?

B: Someone didn't close the lid properly.

A: What does that have to do with anything?

B: Ants invaded the sugar so now it's impossible to use.

# 5A-14

A: What did you do this weekend?

B: I got my car ready for winter.

A: How'd you go about doing that?

B: I set up the dash and rear cam and switched the tires to snow tires

A: Are you going to be able to make it to the party?

B: I have a full plate so I'm not sure.

A: I can edit this, right?

B: Yes, you can!

# 5A-16

A: You look like you were hit by a truck.

B:Well, after taking an impromptu hike my energy is sapped.

A: Why did you decide to go hiking of all things?

B: I felt the need to get out of the city.

# 5A-17

A: What did you do to celebrate your birthday?

B: I am planning to host a remote event over zoom.

A: That sounds underwhelming. What is there to do on zoom?

B: We will sing happy birthday, and make a toast over zoom!

A: Why did he step down from the committee?

B: He experienced too much backlash from the media.

A: What did he do to deserve that?

B: He made some questionable remarks concerning women.

# 5A-19

A: It smells like someone died in here.

B: I know. Do you have any ideas to mask the smell?

A: I have lavender scented deodorizer.

B: I already gave that a go.

# 5A-20

A: Why don't you use my computer for work today?

B: I need a certain set up to optimize my workflow.

A: Can you elaborate?

B: I mean shortcuts and bookmarks.

#### A: What's the matter?

B: Your video is choppy and your voice sounds distant.

A: I'll adjust my mic. What about now?

B: You sound clearer but the video is still janky.

# 5A-22

A: Are you totally jazzed that you got a promotion?

B: Nah, even though I've been promoted, my duties won't change much.

A: That's not so bad! At least you will get paid more.

B: I mean you're not wrong but the pay bump is miniscule.

# 5A-23

A: My niece is having a shotgun wedding.

B: Is she going to keep it discreet?

A: I doubt it. My cousin is unapologetic about the whole thing.

B: Good for her as long as she is happy.

A: What is one of the first signs of Autumn?

B: The bell cricket is associated with cool weather.

A: I've never heard a bell cricket. What does it sound like?

B: I can't explain. It's just one of those things you just gotta hear.

# 5A-25

A: Can I take one of your sports cars out for a spin?

B: No, If you get in an accident it will cost me.

A: Seriously? I know you're loaded.

B: Stop asking. You will drive it over my dead body.

# 5A-26

A: Why do you look so out of it?

B: Sometimes I feel out of sorts because of my allergies.

A: What are you allergic to?

B: Dust, pollen, grass clippings, the list goes on and on.

A: Why did you punch that guy in the face?

B: He cut me in line. People who do that make my blood boil.

A: I get it but come on isn't that a little much?

B: He was asking for it.

# 5A-28

A: Hello, I have an appointment with Mrs.Day at one.

B: Okay, I'll let her know. In the meantime could you sit tight.

A: Yes but could you let her know I am in a time crunch.

B: Certainly, I'll make sure she gets the message.

# 5A-29

A: We have 10 minutes left so there is no time to waste.

B: Okay then I am going to cut to the chase. We need funding.

A: What is the minimal funding we can give you?

B: We need a little over 3,000 dollars.

A: I love your silk robe. How much did it put you back?

B: It put me back by a pretty penny.

A: That looks about right. Is it real silk.

B: You better believe it is and it is worth every penny.

# 5A-31

A: How should I go about paying for dates?

B: As a rule of thumb I always pay if I get to pick the place.

A: What if your date picks the place?

B: I expect them to pick up the bill, but I bring money just in case.

# 5A-32

A: I am trying to wean my cat off her fancy food.

B: How is that going? Is she throwing a fit?

A: She's not having it. She just eats around the other food.

B: You should try having her go cold turkey.