

## AWC TC6 Communication Quality component: Preview

**Task 1.** Match each word (1-13) or phrase with a definition (a-m)

**How to do this task?**

**Step 1.** Listen out for the phrase in the conversation

**Step 2.** Do this task. *Share a screenshot in your class group before the class.* Your teacher will check your responses during the class.

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| 1. fill in                  |   |
| 2. <b>sth is</b> behind smn | a) find a good solution/answer to a question/problem                |
| 3. chilly                   | b) kind of cold   |
| 4. pick-up                  | c) come to a place to get the person and take them to another place |
| 5. cuisine                  | d) be in the past   |
| 6. figure out               | e) according to what I heard  |
| 7. look into                | f) happen   |
| 8. apparently               | g) atmosphere, feeling  |
| 9. vibe                     | h) find out more details about sth                                  |
| 10. dietary requirements    | i) try really hard  |
| 11. go out of one's way     | j) complete a form with your information                            |
| 12. down time               | k) specific needs related to the food you can/choose to eat         |
| 13. take place              | l) a special style of food in a certain country or region           |
|                             | m) time off   |

## Gapped Transcript

**Amber (China) and Seth (overseas) are two colleagues talking about the business trip arrangements.**

Amber: Hi Seth, how was your weekend?

Seth: Good thanks, and \_\_\_\_\_?

Amber: **Not too bad at all. I just want to double check whether you \_\_\_\_\_ your business trip next month?**

Seth: Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ is done, the flights have been booked, I have even already filled in my health \_\_\_\_\_ form and it's all \_\_\_\_\_ now.

Amber: Ah, that's right, you still need to fill in health forms when \_\_\_\_\_ China, **don't you? Do you still need to** take a \_\_\_\_\_ test?

Seth: No, **thankfully, that's** \_\_\_\_\_ **now.**

Amber: **Indeed!**

Seth: **That reminds me,** do I need to send you any information?

Amber: **Would it be possible to** send through those flight details so we can arrange your \_\_\_\_\_?

Seth: **Of course! That's very kind of you. I appreciate that.**

Amber: **It's not a problem. Just to** \_\_\_\_\_, you'll be here from the 4th until the 10th, is that right?

Seth: Yes, that's right. **Could you** go over the schedule?

Amber: **No problem.** So, **we've** arranged quite a few meetings and \_\_\_\_\_ a tour of our labs. **That will take up most of** Monday and Tuesday. **If all goes well, you should be able to** have \_\_\_\_\_ relax after that before we travel to our manufacturing plant in Ningbo.

Seth: **That sounds good.** Now I just need to figure out what places to see during my \_\_\_\_\_. **Do you have any suggestions?**

Amber: **That's a good question.** Do I have any suggestions? You know, I haven't really been out in Beijing for a while.

Seth: **I'm the same.** I haven't even had a night out in town for awhile. **Let me know** \_\_\_\_\_ anything.

Amber: Well, **something you should make a high priority is** dressing warm. Beijing **will probably be** pretty \_\_\_\_\_ next month.

Seth: Will do. Are there any activities \_\_\_\_\_ at that time?

Amber: **What do you mean by** activities?

Seth: Um, festivals, concerts, national holidays, that kind of thing. **It would be good to plan in advance** if I could.

Amber: **Considering** the time of year, **I'm afraid I don't think there will be**. **At least** not any of the big ones. We just had National Day, and Spring Festival is normally around late January/Early February. But Beijing does have some smaller \_\_\_\_\_ that I can look into.

Seth: **What kind of** smaller festivals?

Amber: My colleague went to a 'coffee festival' the other day. **There's a good chance that** there will be \_\_\_\_\_ happening while you're here.

Seth: What's a coffee festival? **I didn't think** China drank much coffee. **At least not enough to** have a festival about it.

Amber: **At this stage**, at least in Beijing, it's definitely more popular than tea. My department would grind to a halt without coffee. We're all \_\_\_\_\_ coffee drinkers.

Seth: Oh wow, **I definitely had a different impression**. So what was this festival like?

Amber: **I only have second-hand information, but from what** my colleague said, the organisers had rented out an area in the park and over a hundred different coffee sellers had stalls. There was \_\_\_\_\_ some entertainment in the form of live music.

Seth: (skeptical) Coffee-related music?

Amber: Hah, no, just some local bands. **Apparently** it had a nice...**what's the word**...kind of means 'feeling or atmosphere', **begins with** a 'v'.

Seth: Oh, **I think you mean** 'vibe'

Amber: **That's the** \_\_\_\_\_! So, is that the type of thing you are interested in?

Seth: Something like that. **I was thinking of something more** \_\_\_\_\_, but now I think it's best to just do whatever's available.

Amber: **As** it's going to be your first time in China, I will try to make it a memorable trip. I've already **made** \_\_\_\_\_ for us to go to some traditional restaurants in the evenings of the days when we are working.

Seth: **I appreciate that. What kind of** restaurants **did you have in mind**?

Amber: Beijing has restaurants from all over China, so we can find almost every kind of Chinese \_\_\_\_\_. Do you have any dietary requirements or preferences?

Seth: No, **fortunately**, I can eat anything. **I tend to prefer** spicy food **though**.

Amber: OK, **that's good to know**. **I should've** asked you first. I was worried about taking you to a restaurant where everything was too spicy for you. I will look at some other options and **rearrange**.

Seth: Oh, I don't want you to go out of your way. I'm sure your \_\_\_\_\_ choices are fine.

Amber: **It's fine**. I've booked so far in advance there won't be any trouble. And, **to be honest**, I prefer spicy food too.

Seth: **If that's the case, then please go ahead**.

Amber: I have to go now. **I'll be sure to** look into some \_\_\_\_\_ activities for you to do on your days off. **It might be a good option to** arrange the tickets for some traditional Chinese Opera and a tour of a couple of very special Beijing museums. **I'll let you know if I** find anything that looks \_\_\_\_\_.

Seth: **That sounds like a plan**. **I'll let you go for now**. **Speak soon**.

Amber: **Bye for now**.