**1) Mum and son – recording 1.1**

*Mum asks her son to wash the dishes after lunch, she tells him that only after that is he allowed to go to the playground with his friends. She goes to the bathroom for a while and when she comes back to the kitchen she finds the dishes unwashed and notices that her son is just leaving the house. She runs to the door and shouts:*

1. Where is the son allowed to go after he washes the dishes?

- out with his friends

1. What is the mom suggesting with her reaction?

- I’m not 100 % sure, she’s either being sarcastic or she’s praising him for actually doing the dishes. Based on the tone of her voice I’d say he didn’t do the dishes and she’s being sarcastic.

**2) Giving a lift – recording 2.2**

*Tom offers Jenny to take her to work the next day. They agree on the fact that Tom will pick Jenny up at 7:40 as she needs to be at her office at 8:00 and it takes about 15 minutes to get there from where she lives. The next morning, Tom picks up Jenny at her house at 7:50, making Jenny significantly concerned about whether she will arrive at work on time. She does arrive on time eventually, but only because she decides to get off the car and run the last two blocks on her own instead of waiting in the traffic jam. When she arrives at her office, one of her colleagues looks at her and asks: “Good morning, all good?” Jenny replies:*

1. What is Tom’s offer concerned with?

- Jenny might be late for work

1. How do you think Jenny feels?

- not very happy, she’s bummed about having to run and almost being late for work

**3) Memory – recording 3.1**

*Sarah and Mary are sisters who were asked by their mother to go to a local shop and buy 9 items. Mary insists on making a list to make sure they don’t forget about anything but Sarah perceives this as unnecessary since she feels she will be able to keep those few items in her memory. They arrive at the shop, they do the shopping and leave the shop. On the way back home, Mary says:*

1. Do the sisters make a list of items they must buy?

- No.

1. What does Mary think about Sarah’s memory?

- that it’s not so great, she doesn’t mean what she’s saying. I personally feel she’s being sarcastic.

**4) Parking – recording 4.1**

*Rachel and Adam are together in a car, Rachel is driving. They are finally approaching the parking lot where they need to park before going to a theme park together. Rachel has had her driving license only for about 5 months. When they reach the parking lot, they find out there are only spaces left in the parallel parking area. Rachel makes Adam get out of the car and indicate how much space there is in front of the car and behind it while Rachel is intending to park the car for 7 minutes. Rachel parks the car and then turns to Adam and says, “You know, I’ve never parked in parallel parking before”. Adam looks at her and says:*

1. Where are Rachel and Adam going?

- I didn’t remember after the first reading. When I looked for the information, I found that they were going to a theme park. I thought it was some supermarket or something like that.

1. What does Adam mean by his response?

- With this response I think it really depends on what kind of person Adam is. By the tone of his voice, I’m judging he’s either really supportive of Rachel or he’s being sarcastic. To me personally, it seems like he means it and he’s trying to say that she did well, but I think it’s not so easy to tell from just one sentence without knowing whether Adams often uses sarcasm or not.

**5) Reunion – recording 5.2**

*A group of former classmates have a reunion. By a quirk of fate, Lisa sits next to Sophie. They chat for a while and Lisa realizes that Sophie has not changed a bit since they left high school. In the middle of the conversation, Lisa says:*

1. Where does Lisa know Sophie from?

- school, it’s a reunion

1. What does Lisa intend to get across by what she says?

- This seems honest to me, I think she really has missed her friend and she’s happy about seeing her again.

**6) Joke – recording 6.1**

*A group of colleagues are having lunch during their lunch break at a canteen. Andrew, the well-known entertainer, tells a joke the target of which are blonde women. The group falls about laughing. Melissa being a blonde, considering herself an intelligent woman and being tired of listening to jokes about how blonde women are stupid, reacts:*

1. What is the subject of Andrew’s joke?

- blonde women.

1. What is Melissa’s opinion on Andrew’s sense of humour?

- She doesn’t think it’s appropriate since she’s a blonde woman and she finds these jokes quite annoying. 🡪 That’s what the text says.

🡪 Based on her response: She says she loves it, but I don’t think that’s what she really means. She wants him to take a hint, but I don’t think he will since he’s a man. :D