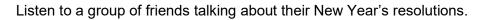
New Year's resolutions¹





Before you listen

Vocabulary

You have to do the following vocabulary activity below before you listen. Then listen to the podcast and do the first task to check your understanding. Finally, practice some vocabulary and grammar.

1. new year's resolutions	2. to fix	3. chef	4. a date
5. to wonder	6. a chance	7. supposed	8. website

Definitions	Word
A. A professional cook in a restaurant	
B. Thought to be something or somehow .	
C. To think about and try to understand.	
D. To mend	
E. A romantic meeting .	
F. A promise that is made to one's self on 1st January.	
G. An opportunity	
H. A series of pages in a certain location on the internet	

After you listen

Comprehension task

Match up

Decide who does the following things.

Olivia	Sarah	Bindyu	Harry	Fadi	Johnny	Carlos
1.		enjoys saying "H	appy New Ye	ar".		
2.		has a problem wi	th her website	€.		
3.		recommends son	nebody to hel	p Olivia.		
4.		offers to fix the w	eb page.			
5.		isn't happy that h	er boyfriend i	s going to fix t	ne web page.	
6.		wants to ask som	ebody cut on	a date.		
7.		_ is the last person	to arrive at the	ne café.		

¹ Source: http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/sites/podcasts/files/BCSW%20-%20S2E9%20support%20pack.pdf

Grammar task

Look at the sentences	A-H and com	plete the rules	1-2 with the	words given below
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Example sentences	Exam	ple	sen	ten	ces
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 A. You are supposed to say
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- B. They were supposed to be new.
- C. I can help.
- D. We can do it all again.
- E. You need to practice.
- F. I need to fix it.
- G. You should decide to do something.
- H. He should ask her out.

Rules

	The infinitive without to	The infinitive with to
1.	We use	after "supposed" and "need".
2.	We use	after "can" and "should" (and most modal verbs).

Vocabulary task

Match up

Match the two parts to make eight common informal expressions.

1. Let's	A. there!
2. Oh	B. the problem?
3. Shut	C. please!
4. What's	D. know!
5. Hello	E. up?
6. What's	F. up!
7. You	G. on!
8. Go	H. wait

Answer key

Vocabulary:

- 1. F
- 2. D
- 3. A
- 4. E
- 5. C
- 6. G
- 7. B
- 8. H

Comprehension task:

- 1. Johnny
- 2. Olivia
- 3. Fadi
- 4. Harry
- 5. Bindyu
- 6. Carlos
- 7. Sarah

Grammar task

- 1. The infinitive with to
- 2. The infinitive without to

Vocabulary task

- 1. H
- 2. C
- 3. F
- 4. E
- 5. A
- 6. B
- 7. D
- 8. G

Transcript

Johnny: Happy New Year!

Fadi: Stop, please! Enough New Year!

Johnny: It's the first time I've seen you this year!

You're supposed to say 'Happy New Year!'

Fadi: OK,OK... Happy New Year to you too, then!

Johnny: It will be Chinese New Year soon - then

we can do it all again!

Fadi: Fine, OK, let's wait until then, though, eh?

Magda: Hello everyone! Fadi /Johnny: Hi!

Magda: Happy New Year!

Fadi: Oh, please!

Magda: I'm only trying to be friendly...

Fadi: Yeah, sure, sorry... Can we think about

something else now please?

Magda: Have you made any New Year's

resolutions?

Johnny: New Year's what?

Magda: New Year's resolutions. Olivia told me about it - at the beginning of the year, you should

decide to do something, and do it all year.

Johnny: What kind of thing?

Fadi: Something like stop smoking, or go to the

gym every day, or study more...

All: Hi Olivia! Hey! Hello!

Olivia: Hmmph. Tony - could I have a large coffee

please? Make it extra strong!

Fadi: Looks like someone's having a bad day!

Olivia: Oh shut up Fadi!

Fadi: Sorry!

Magda: What's up, Olivia?

Olivia: My website isn't working properly. I need to

fix it.

Fadi: Here's the right man to help you!

Harry: Hello there! Are you talking about me?

Olivia: I've got problems with my website again...

Harry: I told you I should have set it up the first

time! You should have asked me!

Olivia: OK, OK... you were right...

Harry: So what's the problem?

Olivia: The online sales page doesn't work.

People can't buy my shoes!

Harry: I'm sure I can help fix it.

Olivia: Go on then. Come over to my flat tonight,

and we'll have a look.

Bindyu: Oh, sorry Olivia. I'm not sure he can

come to your flat tonight.

Harry: Yeah, I can. I'm not busy tonight.

Bindyu: I thought we were going to the cinema?

Harry: Were we? Sorry, I didn't know. I'd like to

help Olivia, if I can...

Bindyu: Hmmphh.

Olivia: Oh, listen Harry... don't worry if you can't

come and help.

Harry: No. I'll come. I love websites – you know!

Johnny: Here's another one of our friends...

Thank goodness for that...

All: Hello Carlos!

Carlos: Hello there!

Magda: We were talking about New Year's

resolutions. What's yours?

Carlos: New Year's what?

Magda: New Year's resolution - at the beginning of the year, you should decide to do something, and

do it all year.

Carlos: Oh, I see... well, I want to be a chef...

Fadi: We know that, it's not new.

Johnny: It has to be something new!

Magda: Yes – something you want to do this year!

Carlos: Oh. OK... I see, well... let me think... something I want to do this year... I know, I want to

ask Sarah out on a date!

All: Wowl

Magda: Oh... well... it looks like you have a chance

right now, Carlos!

Sarah: Hello everyone! Were you talking about

ne?

Carlos: Well, no, erm yes, I mean...

Magda: Go on, Carlos!

Fadi: Carlos has got a question to ask you...

Sarah: Oh, yes?

Carlos: Oh, yes, erm... well... I was wondering if...

erm...

Sarah: If?

Carlos: Yes, if you'd like to ... erm ... I don't know ...

perhaps... erm... go out some time?

Sarah: Go out with you?

Carlos: Well, yeah, I mean, if you want to...

Sarah: Oh, well... erm... what I think is...