

Unit: 5

Making Inferences From Conversations

In the following exercises, you are going to read parts of different conversations. Read the given conversations carefully and try to make some inferences about the people who are talking. **What are these people talking about? And where they are?**

1

Ahmad: *Look at the long line! Do you think we'll get in?*

Muhammad: *I think so. Some of these people already have tickets.*

Ahmad: *How much are the tickets?*

Muhammad: *Only \$4.50 for the first show. I'll pay.*

Ahmad: *Thanks. I will buy some popcorn.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?

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Ahmad: *Was it a girl or a boy?*

Muhammad: *A girl. She's eight pounds and very healthy!*

Ahmad: *When will they come home from the hospital?*

Muhammad: *I'm going to bring them home tomorrow.*

Ahmad: *Well, Congratulations! What a nice change for the neighborhood.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?

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Ahmad: *I like the color.*

Muhammad: *So do I. Red is my favorite color.*

Ahmad: *How many miles does it have on it?*

Muhammad: *Only 30,000. They told me it belonged to an old man. He didn't use it much.*

Ahmad: *What's the price?*

Muhammad: *It's really cheap.*

Ahmad: *And the engine?*

Muhammad: *It's almost new.*

Ahmad: *Then I think you should get it.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?

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Ahmad: *Well, what do you think?*

Muhammad: *The color is perfect on you.*

Ahmad: *What about the style?*

Muhammad: *It's a very popular style.*

Ahmad: *How does it look on me?*

Muhammad: *It looks great on you. It looks great on everybody.*

Ahmad: *Do you think I look funny in it?*

Muhammad: *Not at all. You look very nice.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?

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Ahmad: *This is one of the reasons I hate working in a big city.*

Muhammad: *I know. Every day, it's the same thing.*

Ahmad: *This is terrible! We may be here all night! I hope we don't run out of gas.*

Muhammad: *No, I think there is enough.*

Ahmad: *Let's turn on the radio. May be there's some good music.*

Muhammad: *Sorry, the radio's not working.*

Ahmad: *I think I'll take the train tomorrow.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?

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Ahmad: *Excuse me. Do you have the time?*

Muhammad: *Nine o'clock.*

Ahmad: *Already! Are you sure?*

Muhammad: *Of course.*

Ahmad: *Then where's the number 13 bus?*

Muhammad: *The number 13? It's probably down town by now.*

Ahmad: *What do you mean?*

Ahmad: *It came 20 minutes ago. It always comes at 20 minutes before the hour.*

Muhammad: *So the next bus comes at nine forty?*

Ahmad: *No. There is no next bus.*

Muhammad: *That was the last one!*

Ahmad: *Yeah. After nine o'clock there aren't any more buses.*

Muhammad: *Then what are you doing here?*

Ahmad: *I'm waiting for a taxi.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?

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Ahmad: *Did you understand everything today?*

Muhammad: *No. I'm so confused!*

Ahmad: *So am I.*

Muhammad: *He doesn't explain things very well!*

Ahmad: *I know. And now we're going to have an exam!*

Muhammad: *Maybe we should go to the language lab this afternoon.*

Ahmad: *Good idea. I need more practice.*

Q 1: Where are they?

Q 2: What are Ahmad & Muhammad talking about?