

MIDTERM 1 A, LISTENING 1

Jack: *Where's Dalmatia, Sue?*

Sue: *It's in Croatia, on the Adriatic Sea. You know, in Europe. Why do you want to know that?*

Jack: *I was reading a book last night, and I saw the word "Dalmatia." I thought you would know, that's all. Have you been to Dalmatia?*

Sue: *No, I haven't, but I know someone who's lived there for ten years. Maybe you know him? It's Dave, the guy who worked at Barney's Superstore.*

Jack: *Dave? Really? I'm surprised! No, I'm not surprised. I'm shocked!*

Sue: *What's so shocking about Dave living in Dalmatia?*

Jack: *Well, he's just an ordinary guy who lives with his family. He's still single, isn't he?*

Sue: *No, he's not. He's married and he has two kids now. He's raising them ...*

Jack: *Don't tell me ... in Dalmatia?*

Sue: *Yes, of course, Jack. That's where he lives.*

Jack: *So what does Dave do for work? Does he work in a store?*

Sue: *No, I think he drives a taxi.*

Jack: *Wow! I'm fascinated. Have you gotten in touch with him recently?*

Sue: *I got a postcard from him, but I haven't seen him for years because he hasn't been back here since he moved. Basically, he just disappeared one day.*

Jack: *Can you search for his address on the internet?*

Sue: *I could ...*

Jack: *I know this great website where you can find almost anyone. If you type in their name correctly, it usually locates them. Maybe you could even meet up one day.*

Sue: *Really? I'm going to type your name in right now and see if it locates you!*

Jack: *Ha ha! ...*

MIDTERM 1 A, LISTENING 2

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