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LISTENING 2

- Alyssa** Hi, Dad. What are you doing?
- William** I'm looking online for things to do. Didn't you know? Next Monday I will be officially retired!
- Alyssa** Wow! Congratulations!
- William** Thanks. It's strange, I've been dreaming of this for years and yet now I'm feeling strangely anxious, mainly that by not going to work, I will lose the social contact it brings. Another part of working is I get to contribute, so I'd like to keep doing that.
- Alyssa** I'm sure you'll find something. With your experience and knowledge, you could do some volunteer work for the local community. You won't earn any money, but you will feel satisfied. Don't you want to take it easy for a while though?
- William** I'm sure people will tell me to slow down, but I plan to keep as active as ever. Maybe I'll reconnect with old friends I have lost touch with. If I'd saved more money, I could have started my own charity and made a difference that way. But I'm sure I'll do something of value even if I don't know what it is yet.
- Alyssa** Good for you, Dad.
- William** All I know is that on Monday morning I wanna get up early as usual. I don't want to sleep in. I'm getting some fishing rods and bait delivered that afternoon so I can go fishing with Jim the following day. I ran into him last week and it'll be great to catch up and hopefully catch some fish.
- Alyssa** Hey, but don't forget we need your help with jobs around the house. My bedroom needs repainting, maybe white this time, and I think Mom would like you to clean the garage. And you promised to get rid of all those magazines that you've collected over the years.
- William** Wow! It sounds like you don't want me to stop working!