

Introductory Presentation – Week 10 Unit 11 - 2nd Conditionals – Navigate B1 p.107 ex. 7

Presenter: So what did you think about the idea for a pill that would make us “super intelligent”?

Miriam: Great idea, I mean, we live in a complicated world and we need all the brain power we can get.

Presenter: True, but do you think it’s likely that scientists will be able to come up with a super-intelligence drug? Isn’t it rather a crazy idea?

Miriam: No, not at all. You can already buy drugs to help you to concentrate more and to improve your mental energy. This is just the next step.

Presenter: So would you take a smart pill?

Miriam: I would **take** a smart pill if I **knew** it was safe. Of course that’s a big ‘if’! My worry, though, is the cost. If only a few people **could** afford them, that would give them an unfair advantage. In exams, for example.

Presenter: Good point. So your score for a smart pill?

Miriam: Erm ... 7 out of 10.

Presenter: OK. So let’s move onto the second idea – that ‘Everybody should dance salsa every day’.

Miriam: Well, I like the idea that dancing can make you fit and happy. That can only be a good thing.

Presenter: Mmm, but some people aren’t confident about dancing, are they?

Miriam: True, but if you **danced** a little bit every day than you would **become** confident.

Presenter: Uhuh ...

Miriam: The only problem for me is that it would take a lot of effort to do it every single day. But, still, I like the idea. I’d give it 8 out of 10.

Presenter: OK, and what about the last idea ... everybody should give a gift to a neighbour.

Miriam: I think it’s a wonderful idea, because when you do something kind for somebody else, the other person feels good, but you feel good too. It gives you a really positive feeling. Also, giving a little gift once a year is something everybody can do. I mean, it’s true that if everybody **gave** a gift to a neighbour once a year, it wouldn’t **solve** the world’s problems, but it would make a lot of people a little bit happier.

Presenter: So, your score for that?

Miriam: Mmm, 10 out 10.

Presenter: Well, there you are, Dovydas. Congratulations!