

Worksheet : Creating a Study group

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Task One : Listen and write the answer next to the question.

- a) How many students attend the first meeting of a study group?
- b) Can they all do a study group? If not, who is not available?
- c) Where is the place for a study group?
- d) How often do they have a seminar?
- e) When is the final exam?

Task Two : Listen carefully, think, and write your answer.

- a) Does this conversation take place on Thursday?
Explain why.
- b) Are the members of a study group cooperative?
Support your answer.

Answers : Creating a Study group

Task One

- a) 4
- b) No. Chris can't.
- c) A study hall next to the cafeteria.
- d) Every other week.
- e) Way off. Long time from now.

Task Two

- a) No. Because they set 'the study group day' once a week on the same day of a first meeting day. And according to the conversation, they all have a seminar on Thursday every other week. If this conversation took place on Thursday, they would have a schedule conflict. So, the answer is No.

- b) Yes. Because even Chris said he can't join a study group at the first meeting, other students decided a place, time, and duration for a study group quickly by compromising well.

Transcript : Creating a Study group

Ali: Hey, you guys, I've been looking for you. I've got an idea – a study group. What do you think? Are you interested?

Dina: Yes! I need a study group, in a big way.

Bea: Me too.

Ali: Do you think we have enough people here for a study group? I mean, there are only four of us ...

Bea: Sorry. Three of us. Chris can't do study group. Right, Chris?

Chris: Yeah, there's no way I can do a study group. I have an assignment and then I'm too busy. But I'll stay for this first meeting.

Ali: Should we try and get another group together with us for this?

Bea: No, I don't think so. I think three is fine. Ideal size, really.

Dina: Me too.

Ali: OK, three people then. Four people for the first meeting. What next?

Bea: What about a meeting place? We can't meet here in the library ...

Ali: It's not too bad, especially if those other people would go away.

Bea: But we can't exactly ask them to leave, and people might get annoyed with us talking.

Dina: Can I say something here?

Ali: Sure, go ahead.

Dina: There's a study hall next to the cafeteria. It's almost always empty. Could we meet there?

Ali: A study hall?! Who knew? Well, it sounds good to me.

Bea: Yeah. I've never been there but ...

Ali: So, we ought to decide how long for and how often.

Dina: I read somewhere that you should make the meeting at the same time each week. Like a seminar. That way we'd take it more seriously.

Bea: We may as well make it for this time since we're all here. Is this time OK?

Dina: Works for me.

Ali: Me too.

Chris: Hang on just a minute. I know I'm not going to be in this group, but aren't we supposed to have a seminar at this time every other week?

Dina: Umm, no.

Bea: Thursday, no?

Ali: No, that's on Thursday.

Chris: Sorry. Forget I said anything.

Ali: Don't worry about it.

Bea: So everyone agrees that this time is fine? Every week?

Ali: How long should we make it?

Bea: An hour?

Dina: Could we find a way of making it two hours?

Ali: Two hours seems a bit like ... too much. To start with then?

Bea: Ninety minutes? Compromise?

Ali: Is that OK with you, Dina?

Dina: Fine by me.

Ali: OK, so I guess all we have left to decide is exactly what we'll do when we meet. The final exam is a way off. I guess we could review our notes, or practise learning things by heart.

Dina: I have a list of dos and don'ts actually that I got online. I could be a moderator, and we could use the ideas as a starting point ...

Filler

<Kim's game>

Prepare 25 to 30 flashcards (random words with various difficulty) on the floor or on the board. Show them to the students for 2 minutes, then flip them. The students must make a list of all things they can remember as a pair.

The winner is the team who gets most words.

Assignment : Create a Study group

Match the expressions with way (1–5) with their meanings (a–e).

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| 1. find a way | a. it's impossible |
| 2. way off | b. make something possible |
| 3. there's no way | c. leave |
| 4. go away | d. very much |
| 5. in a big way | e. a long time from now |

