Meeting people at a dinner

Listen to introductions at a dinner party to practise and improve your listening skills.

Before listening

Do the preparation task first. Then listen to the audio and do the exercises.

Preparation task
Choose the TWO correct answers. One answer is not correct.

1. How are you?
    - a. Am fine.
    - b. Fine.
    - c. I'm fine.
2. Nice to meet you.
    - a. Nice to meet you.
    - b. Nice to meet you too.
    - c. Thank you.
3. Do you know Jack?
    - a. I know.
    - b. No, I don't.
    - c. Yes, I know him.
4. Do you remember?
    - a. Yes, do.
    - b. Yes, I do.
    - c. Yes, I remember.
5. Would you like a drink?
    - a. Good idea.
    - b. How are you?
    - c. Yes, please.
6. Here you are.
    - a. Thanks.
    - b. Thank you.
    - c. You're welcome.

Tasks

Task 1
Write a number (1–6) to put the sentences in the order that you hear them.

_____ My name isn't Alison.

_____ Do you know Alyssa?

_____ Nice to meet you too.

_____ Do you remember?

_____ Alyssa was there.

_____ Would you like a drink?

Task 2
Are the sentences true or false?

		Answer	
1.	Julian remembers Alyssa.	True	False
2.	Ben is Alyssa's brother.	True	False
3.	They were at Ben's wedding.	True	False
4.	The wedding was in February.	True	False
5.	Julian says the wrong name.	True	False
6.	Alyssa doesn't want a drink.	True	False

Discussion
How often do you meet new people?

Charles: Hello, Julian.

Julian: Hello, Charles. How are you?

Charles: I'm fine. Fine. Julian, do you remember Alyssa?

Julian: No, I don't.

Charles: She's Ben's sister. Do you remember? We were all at Ben's wedding together.

Julian: Ah, yes, I do – in that old castle. Was it in January?

Charles: Yes, it was! Alyssa was there.

Alyssa: Hello. Nice to meet you … again.

Julian: Hello, nice to meet you too, Alison.

Alyssa: I'm not Alison.

Julian: What?

Alyssa: My name isn't Alison. It's Alyssa.

Julian: I'm sorry. Nice to meet you, Alyssa.

Charles: Good. Would you like a drink?

Julian: Good idea.

Alyssa: Yes, please.

Charles: Here you are.

Alyssa and Julian: Thanks!

Answers

Preparation task
1. b, c
2. a, b
3. b, c
4. b, c
5. a, c
6. a, b

Task 1
1. Do you know Alyssa?
2. Do you remember?
3. Alyssa was there.
4. Nice to meet you too.
5. My name isn't Alison.
6. Would you like a drink?

Task 2
1. False
2. True
3. True
4. False
5. True
6. False