**EVERYDAY/WORK CONVERSATION: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL INTERACTION**

Discuss these questions with peers

1.Do you prefer to interact with one person or with a group? Which situation makes you more comfortable and why?

2.what is a social situation that makes you very uncomfortable? Why?

Make an example from your past if any.

3.What is a social situation where you don’t know or are unsure about what to say?

4.what are some “social mistakes” in your home country?

5.have you ever “put your foot in your mouth” during a conversation with other people? What was the situation and how did the other people react?

NOW DECIDE IF THESE SITUATIONS ARE APPROPRIATE OR SOCIALLY UNCOMFORTABLE. TALK ABOUT WHAT YOU WOULD SAY OR DO IN CANADA AND YOUR HOME COUNTRY

1. Nila has made some new friends at work. She invited them over last weekend for a barbecue, but she doesn’t remember their names.
2. You are in an elevator with some coworkers. You start making some small talk but nobody else speaks and there is an awkward silence.
3. Zhiao is invited to a baby shower for a woman she works with. She doesn’t know what to buy, so she decides to give her colleague an envelope with cash inside.
4. Julie goes on a blind date. She is embarrassed and starts talking about her former boyfriend.
5. Sarah has an issue with a coworker who is slacking off. She confronts him and threatens to go to the manager.
6. Julio invites some coworkers for supper. They start talking about uncomfortable topics like religion , money and sex

7. Jim is invited to a dinner party by a friend. He brings a bottle of wine for the host.