Negotiating

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A Look at the ideas for birthday presents in the pictures. Discuss the questions in pairs.



- 1 What are the presents?
- 2 Which presents are the cheapest / the most expensive?
- 3 Which present would you most / least like to receive for your birthday? Why?
- 4 Which would be the best / worst present for your grandmother? Why?
- **B** Georgia and David are talking about a birthday present for their grandmother. Complete the dialogue with the phrases below. Be careful - some of them need capital letters.

don't know don't think how about instead let's perfect shall we sounds good think why don't would be nicer

Georgia It's Grandma's birthday on Sunday. ¹______ buy her some flowers?

I²______that's a great idea. She always says flowers are a waste of money. David

Georgia ³______taking her to the theatre then?

Hmm. I⁴______. Theatre tickets are quite expensive. ⁵______ we invite her David round for lunch 6_____?

 Georgia
 That isn't very special. I 7______ taking her out for lunch 8______.

 David
 Yes, that 9______. 10_____ go to The Curry Kitchen. Grandma loves Indian

food.

Georgia That's ¹¹______. I'll phone and book a table.

C Work in pairs. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Which presents from A do Georgia and David talk about?
- 2 Which present do they decide on? Why?
- 3 Do you think the present is a good choice? Why / why not?

D Work in pairs. It's your friend's birthday next week and you want to get him / her a present. Prepare a dialogue using the prompts below.

Student A

Mention it's your friend's birthday. Suggest a present from A. Suggest an alternative. Agree to the suggestion.

Student B

Raise an objection. Raise an objection. Suggest an alternative. Offer to organise the present.