YES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What images spring to mind when you hear the word 'yes'?
- 2) How often do you say yes every day?
- 3) Is it sometimes difficult to say yes?
- 4) How often do you regret saying yes?
- 5) When do you hope the answer is always yes?
- 6) How many different ways are there of saying yes?
- 7) Has anyone ever got you to say yes against your will?
- 8) What words usually follow 'yes'?
- 9) Someone once said: "Yes and no are very short words to say, but we should think for some length of time before saying them." Do you agree?
- ¹⁰) Tony Blair said: "The art of leadership is saying no, not saying yes. It is very easy to say yes." Do you agree?

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YES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Do you like the word yes?
- 2) Do you say yes or no more?
- 3) How does intonation change the meaning of saying yes?
- 4) How would life be different is the word 'yes' was taken out of our language?
- 5) Do you always say yes when someone asks you for a favour?
- 6) What was the happiest yes of your life?
- 7) How many languages can you say yes in?
- 8) When was the last time you screamed a big "YES!!!!" (even if it was in your head)?
- 9) Joseph Campbell said: "The big question is whether you are going to be able to say a hearty yes to your adventure." Do you agree?
- 10) Albert Camus said: "Charm is a way of getting the answer yes without asking a clear question." Do you agree?