

**Reading 5** Complete this dialogue with the words in the box.

about change devices necessary problem  
speed should user What

- Boris: I have a problem with the network download (1) \_\_\_\_\_. What can you suggest?
- Ahsan: Why don't you (2) \_\_\_\_\_ the hub?
- Boris: I don't think that will work. The hub is fine.
- Ahsan: OK. How (3) \_\_\_\_\_ adding a repeater then?
- Boris: Hmm, I'm not sure it will help. It's not a (4) \_\_\_\_\_ with the signal strength.
- Ahsan: OK, then you should check the cables and network (5) \_\_\_\_\_ to make sure that they are compatible with your network.
- Boris: (6) \_\_\_\_\_ about changing the modem?
- Ahsan: I don't think it's (7) \_\_\_\_\_. I think it's a problem with the bridge, switch or the router. You (8) \_\_\_\_\_ look at the specifications.
- Boris: OK, I will. Thanks for your help.
- Ahsan: Why don't you check (9) \_\_\_\_\_ recommendations on the Internet as well?
- Boris: Good idea. I'll do that.


**Listening 6**  Listen and check your answers.

**Language**

**Making suggestions**

We can make suggestions with:

<i>Why don't we/you + infinitive without to.</i>	<i>Why don't you call the IT help desk? That's a good idea.</i>
<i>What about + -ing</i>	<i>What about buying a new router? I don't think that will work.</i>
<i>How about + -ing</i>	<i>How about reading the instructions first? I'll do that.</i>

**7**  Listen and repeat these suggestions.

- 1 Why don't you change the modem?
- 2 How about connecting a repeater?
- 3 What about looking on the website?

**Vocabulary 8** Complete these sentences with the words in the box.

between on over to with

- 1 Is this software compatible \_\_\_\_\_ this computer?
- 2 A LAN connects devices \_\_\_\_\_ a small area.
- 3 Is the computer connected \_\_\_\_\_ the modem?
- 4 The LAN allows you to share information \_\_\_\_\_ users.
- 5 Why don't you look \_\_\_\_\_ the Internet?

**Speaking 9** What problems do you have with networks? Work in pairs. Make a list. Think about speed, compatibility, hardware and software.

**10** Show your list to another pair. Ask for help and suggest solutions.

*Example:*

A: *This software doesn't work with this ...*

B: *Why don't you ... ?*