

DID YOU SEE THAT?

AudioScript

B

Listen to conversations about the gestures. Number the pictures from 1 to 3.

1.

Woman: So how did it go in Buenos Aires, Jason?

Jason: Great! Well, . . . there was this one little incident.

Woman: What happened?

Jason: I was in a business meeting when the phone rang.

Mr. Gomez answered, and then he looked right at me and started turning his finger around in little circles – up here, by his forehead.

Woman: You're kidding! So what did you do?

Jason: I got upset. I felt insulted. There he was making signals at me like I was crazy. But . . .

Woman: But what?

Jason: I found out that in Argentina, it means you have a telephone call.

2.

Mrs. Johnson: Did you see that? What did she think I was going to do – hurt her daughter?

Woman: What's wrong, Mrs. Johnson?

Mrs. Johnson: That dear little girl – she's so cute! She reminded me of my own daughter. So I was patting her on the head, and her mother quickly pulled her away.

Woman: Well, actually, what you did is not considered polite here, Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson: What? What do you mean?

Woman: It's very impolite to touch people on the head here.

Mrs. Johnson: Oh, I didn't know that!

3.

Woman: Do you know that guy in the front row?

Marty: Who? Which guy?

Woman: There! See that guy? He keeps holding up his hand and waving it at you. And he's got his thumb and his little finger sticking out. . . . Weird.

Marty: Oh, that's my friend Don. That signal means "relax." He knows I'm really nervous about singing a solo.

Woman: OK. If you say so.

C

Listen again. Check True or False.

Answers

A

Answers will vary.

B

2, 3, 1

C

1.

1. True 2. False 3. True

2.

1. False 2. False 3. True

3.

1. True 2. True 3. True

D

Answers will vary.

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A PAIR WORK Look at these gestures. What do you think each gesture means? Are any of them considered impolite in your country?



B Listen to conversations about the gestures. Number the pictures from 1 to 3.

C Listen again. Check (✓) True or False.

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| 1. | True | False |
| 1. Jason was in Buenos Aires on business. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Mr. Gomez thought Jason was crazy. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. The phone call was for Jason. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. | True | False |
| 1. Mrs. Johnson was trying to hurt the girl. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Mrs. Johnson has no children of her own. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Mrs. Johnson's action was not polite there. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. | True | False |
| 1. The woman thinks Don's action is strange. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Don is trying to help the man. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. The man is nervous about singing a solo. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

D GROUP WORK Write a list of "do and don't" gestures for visitors to your country. Then compare your list with the class.