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Before you watch

A Have you ever caught someone telling a lie? What happened? Write a few sentences.

While you watch

A Watch the video. Then, check (✓) the correct name for each question.

1. Who tells a story about a kid catching his mom telling a lie?
☐ Tania
☐ Tom
2. Who talks about not being comfortable with a white lie?
☐ Tania
☐ Tom
3. Who thinks you should tell people that their white lie is wrong because not saying anything is a lie?
☐ Tania
☐ Tom



Tania and Tom

B Watch the video. Circle the correct option to complete the sentences.

1. A friend of Tania's was telling her son _____.
a. how it's not good to tell lies b. how it's OK to tell lies c. how all lies are fine
2. Tania's friend was going into _____.
a. a grocery store b. a bank c. an amusement park

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3. Tania's friend told people that he was 11 years old to get _____.
a. her son in for free b. a cheaper ticket c. him onto a rollercoaster
4. Tom thinks that what Tania's friend did _____.
a. is fine b. isn't a big deal c. doesn't seem right
5. Tania's friend thinks that a white lie _____.
a. isn't a big deal b. is wrong c. is something you laugh off
6. Tania is _____ the white lie that her friend told.
a. totally fine with b. not comfortable with c. not interested in
7. Tania _____ when she was talking to her friend about the white lie.
a. laughed it off b. called her friend on it c. was just awkward
8. Tom thinks that Tania _____ to her friend.
a. shouldn't have said anything
b. should have said something
c. should have stopped her friend from telling the lie

After you watch

A Read the sentences. Write responses. Make sure to use expressions to express your concerns.

Example: She told them her son was 11 to get the reduced rate. And her son called her on it.

Well, yeah. I mean, that doesn't seem right.

1. I hate it when my friends lie to me about what they're doing. I understand they are trying to spare my feelings, but just tell me the truth.

2. Sometimes you have to lie to children about things for their own good.

3. I've never lied to my spouse. I think it's bad for a marriage when people keep secrets and lie to each other.

B Imagine that you are at a dinner party. The food isn't very good, but the woman who cooked it is very proud of the meal. Everyone else tells the woman that dinner is delicious. What would you do? Would tell the woman that her dinner was good? Or would you tell her the truth? Why? What would you say if you told her about her bad food? Write a paragraph.
