

**Speaking skills practice: Discussing exam results – transcript**

- Makayla: Oh, hi Jack. How's it going?  
**Jack:** **Hmm, all right ... not great.**  
Makayla: Have you got your exam results?  
**Jack:** **Yeah ...**  
Makayla: How did you do?  
**Jack:** **All right. I mean, it could have been worse.**  
Makayla: But ...?  
**Jack:** **I didn't get the grades I need in maths or science.**  
Makayla: Oh no, bad luck. What are you going to do?  
**Jack:** **I don't know. I'm not sure whether to retake maths and science or change my plans completely.**  
Makayla: But I thought you really wanted to do medicine.  
**Jack:** **No, it's what my parents want me to do.**  
Makayla: OK. And what do you want to do?  
**Jack:** **I don't know, exactly. I like history and languages. I got an A in French!**  
Makayla: Ah, that's great! Maybe it would be better for you to do something like that at uni.  
**Jack:** **Even if I can get the grades I need in maths and science, I'm still not convinced about doing medicine.**  
Makayla: Mmm, well you have many talents, Jack, but maybe being a doctor isn't for you.  
**Jack:** **No, it's not. Although my parents aren't going to be happy.**  
Makayla: Well, you need to make the right decision for you, even though they might not like it.  
**Jack:** **Yeah, you're right. Maybe I should talk to them.**  
Makayla: You never know. They might be more understanding than you think.  
**Jack:** **Yeah! Aww, thanks, Makayla. Anyway, how are you?**  
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