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And you?

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Task 3

Code-switching

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Warm-up

1. When do you switch from one language/dialect to another?
2. Why would people code-switch?
3. Can code-switching occur in the same sentence?
4. When is it appropriate or helpful to code-switch?

Reasons why people code-switch



People code-switch...

- to establish close connections with people
- to communicate with other more effectively (or even faster)
- to teach others about our languages/cultures
- to include others in conversation
- to use language in a creative way
- because some words/expressions have no translation equivalent
- because some words/expressions are international (RSVP, FYI, Internet)
- because certain feelings are expressed better in one language compared to another
- because our identities can be expressed through different languages/dialects

Role-Play - Group Work

- Work in groups of 3
- Think about a situation in which you would code-switch.
- Prepare a one-minute role-play
- Your audience will try to identify :
 1. the type of code-switch (from one sentence to another, mid-sentence)
 2. the languages or dialects you used
 3. the reasons why you code-switched


During this task:

What have you learned about the benefits of code-switching?

When would NOT be appropriate to code-switch?



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Thank you for your participation