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The English We Speak People person



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Feifei

Hello, this is The English We Speak, with me Feifei...

Neil

... and me Neil. Hello!

(Rob opens the studio door)

Rob

Hi Neil! Sorry to interrupt. I just want to confirm that you're coming to my party. Are you?

Neil

Yes, of course. Thanks, Rob. It will be a blast!

Rob

Cool. It'll be great to have you there! I'll let you get back to your recording. See you!

Neil

No problem.

(Finn opens the studio door)

Finn

Hi Neil! Just to tell you my presentation was a success. Your advice made all the difference!

Neil

Oh that's great news, Finn. Always happy to help.

(Vera opens the studio door)

Vera

Hi Neil! I just wanted to say thanks for putting me in contact with Brian from the IT department. He sorted out my computer problems.

Neil

No problem, Vera. Any time you need a good contact, just ask.

Feifei

Wait a minute! We have a programme to do here!

Neil

Well, what can I do, I'm a people person! In English, you say someone is a 'people person' when they are good at dealing with other people. They're helpful and have the ability to motivate people. People like me, Feifei.

Feifei

I know, I know. I appreciate your people skills too. Let's hear some examples of how this expression is used.

Examples

Callum is a people person. He gets along with everybody and would make a great manager.

You know, you should go to the party even if you don't know anybody there. You're a people person and by the end of the night you'll have made lots of new friends.

Feifei

So many people outside the studio... Neil, who are they?

Neil

Oh, these are colleagues and friends I've helped out a bit recently.

Feifei

But this is... it's a crowd!

Neil

I told you: I'm a people person! Hello everybody! I'll be there in a minute!

Both

Bye!