

## APPENDIX

# 5-7

## Intonation Role Plays

**Congratulations!** (2-person role play)

*(Two people are sitting in in a bar.)*

A: Hey! Over here!

B: (Comes over) Hey! Long time no see! What have you been up to lately?

A: Not much, that's for sure. And you?

B: Well, I guess I do have some pretty big news.

A: Come on, the suspense is killing me.

B: No, really. What have you been doing these past few weeks? The last time I saw you, you were going to look for a new job.

A: Well, I didn't have to. I was offered a new position in the accounting department.

B: A step up in the big business world!

A: I wouldn't exaggerate, but I'm pleased.

B: I hear you. That's great! I hope the money's better!

A: I can't complain. Now, enough about me. I'm dying to hear your news.

B: Well . . . I'm getting married!

A: NO! You said you'd never get married. I can't believe it.

B: Well that was then and this is now. You've got to meet my fiancé.

A: So come on. This is all news to me. I didn't even know you were dating.

B: We weren't. We've just been dating for two weeks now.

A: . . . and you're getting married?!

B: I know, I know. I can't help it. I'm just completely head over heels in love.

A: Well, congratulations! That is fantastic! This calls for a toast!

B: Thanks! I'm glad to hear you feel that way. I thought you might think I was crazy.

A: You? Crazy? Nah!

B: Bartender! I think my friend here is ready to buy me a drink.

**Waiting** (3-person role play)

*(Husband and wife are waiting at Joe's Bar and Grill; later, server enters.)*

Husband: We've been waiting for more than 30 minutes!

Wife: Terry, are you sure you read the directions correctly?

Husband: Do you think I made a mistake?! I'm sure he said Joe's Bar and Grill.

Wife: I wish you'd brought the directions with you.

Husband: It's no use worrying about that now. Anyway, let's concentrate on what we'll be doing this time tomorrow? I'm so excited about getting away from it all.

Wife: So am I. Just think, this time tomorrow we'll be lying on the beach soaking up the sun, and then you'll buy me lunch at the most expensive restaurant in town.

Husband: Whatever . . . (pause). Anyway, I wish he'd get here. And speaking of food, I'm getting hungry!

Wife: Why don't you ask our server for help?

Husband: OK. *(goes up to the server)* Excuse me, we've been waiting for over a half an hour for a friend. Have you seen anyone looking for somebody?

Server: Look, I'm a little busy. Did you want to order another round of drinks or not?

Husband: Thanks for the great service. I just don't understand. Our friend Alex is never late.

Server: Well, maybe he's at Joe's Bar.

Husband: It's a *she* actually. And did you say Joe's Bar? I thought this was Joe's Bar.

Server: This is Joe's Bar and Grill. She's probably at Joe's Bar. That's downtown.

Husband: Do you think you could call over there and see if she's there?

Server: No problem. Maybe I can just take an hour off work to drive over and look for her.

Husband: And maybe we'll forget about leaving you a tip.

Server: All right already! I get your point. I'll call. *(telephoning)* Yes, this is Joe's Bar and Grill. Is there an Alex waiting there? A woman named Alex I should say . . . *(he waits for the other person to ask for Alex)* Yes, great. Thanks. Goodbye.

Husband: She's there, isn't she?

Server: Yes, she's there and she's been waiting for half an hour.

Husband: Oh, no! She is at Joe's Bar! Is there a taxi nearby?

Server: How am I supposed to know? Why don't you try looking outside, Einstein!

Husband: Let's go! The service here is simply wonderful.

Wife: And your ability to follow directions is even more wonderful.

Server: Wow, what a lovely couple!