Handout: Find a Compromise

Work with your partner to think of compromises for each situation below.

Write your best compromise on a separate sheet of paper. Only one partner needs to

write the answers. Make a compromise. One partner could write the odd answers and the

other could write the even answers.

1. Tom, eight years old, wants to play. The parents want him to complete all of his homework.
2. A family visits the museum. The father wants to see the section with technical inventions. The mother wants to see the section on fashion in the 19th century. The kids want to see the section on the medieval battles.
3. Two friends plan to go to the movies. Kevin wants to watch the new comedy movie and Michelle wants to watch the scary movie.
4. There is only one bathroom in the house. Christian wants to use the shower first because he is getting ready to go out with his friends. Daniela wants to use the shower first because she is getting ready to attend a class.
5. Alice wants pizza for dinner. Her sister Lory wants spaghetti for dinner.
6. A father wants his son to go fishing with him this weekend. His son wants to go skateboarding with his friends this weekend.
7. The kids in a family must help in the household. Martin washed dishes yesterday and does not want to wash them again. Suzanna rinsed and dried the dishes yesterday and does not want to rinse and dry them again today.
8. Peter wants to invite his friends over but his older brother David does not want company at the house. He wants peace and quiet so that he can relax.
9. The boss wants his best Sales person Mary to work late. Mary does not want to work late because she wants to go home and spend time with her kids.
10. Corinna and Margaret both want to use the Internet on the family’s only computer.