25 On the phone



2.01 When Julie Morrison called the Studios Inn Hotel, she heard a recorded message. The message told her that she could use a touch-tone phone to contact various numbers directly. Listen to the recording. What were the touch-tone numbers for these locations?

Location	Number			
Hotel Reservations				
Hotel Management				
Guest Services				
Conference Center				
Business Services				
Guest Rooms				
Consuela's room				



1 2.03 Listen to the chart. Check (/) the words which are the same, or nearly the same in your language.

2 Ask and answer:

Do long recorded messages annoy you?
Do you always leave messages on answerphones?
Do you send text messages?
Do you use a WAP (Internet) phone?
Do you use a video-camera phone?

3 Make up your own word recognition chart with new words. Don't show your partner. (You can use names, countries, international words, cities, famous people's names.)

2.02 Jessica Adams is receiving a business call. Circle the words the caller uses to spell his name. What is his name?

A Alpha	Н	Hotel	0	Oscar	V	Victor
B Bravo	1	India	P	Papa	W	Whiskey
C Charlie	J	Juliet	Q	Quebec	X	X-ray
D Delta	K	Kilo	R	Romeo	Y	Yankee
E Echo	L	Lima	S	Sierra	Z	Zulu
F Foxtrot	M	Mike	T	Tango		
G Golf	N	November	U	Uniform		

This is the international word recognition chart. It is used by air traffic control and many emergency services. They chose words that didn't sound like any other words on the chart. It's useful when you're spelling words on the phone.



4 How would you make someone understand these names? Use your chart. For example: Quixote. That's Q for ...

- a Quixote
- **b** Wahlberg
- c Fitzroy
- d Jackson
- e Davidson
- f Murphy

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