

Prereading Questions for Selections in Chapter 15

“How Not to Say the Wrong Thing,” Susan Silk and Barry Goldman

- Have you ever said the wrong thing to someone?
- What should you have said instead?
- What advice would you give to someone who was about to visit a sick friend?

“Shitty First Drafts,” Anne Lamott

- How would you describe your feelings about writing?
- How might your feelings differ from what professional writers feel?
- Generally, how satisfied are you with your first drafts?

“Going Vegan: How to Have Your Eggless Cake, and Eat It, Too!” Justine Appel

- Have you ever made a big lifestyle change?
- How did you explain your decision to family and friends?
- What questions do you have about veganism?

“Dater’s Remorse,” Cindy Chupack

- What advice would you give friends about choosing a boyfriend or girlfriend?
- What have you learned from your own experience or the experience of your friends and relatives?

“The Psychology of Stuff and Things,” Christian Jarrett

- Of your possessions, which ones are extensions of yourself?
- In what ways has your relationship to your possessions changed over the years?