

3 THE COMPETITION

THINK ABOUT

1 Work in groups and answer the questions.

- 1 Have you ever entered a competition? Did you win? What did you win?
- 2 Has a friend of yours entered a competition which you did not think they could win? What was the competition? How did your friend do in it?



2 EP3 Watch the video and complete the sentences.

- 1 NICOLE I _____ you're thinking of entering that photo competition.
- 2 LIAM _____! And I'm going to win it!
- 3 EMMA There's _____ we can do about it now.
- 4 EMMA All we can do now is hope Liam isn't too _____ when he loses.
- 5 LIAM _____? What do you think?
- 6 JUSTIN Wait, wait! Let's take a _____ first!

THINK BACK

3 Circle the best definition for each of the highlighted phrases from the video.

- 1 LIAM And she told me how much you like my photographs.
EMMA She did?
LIAM I really appreciate it. Thanks, Emma. **It means a lot to me.**
 - a What you said is important to me.
 - b I understand what you said.
 - c It helps me understand.
- 2 JUSTIN Are you going to the exhibition?
EMMA I should, but **I'm not sure I can bear it.**
 - a I don't think I can.
 - b I don't think I have enough time.
 - c I don't think it is something that I will find easy to do.

3 NICOLE Like I said, I always knew you could do it!

- a I told everyone you would win.
- b I never doubted you could do it.
- c I used to believe you could win.



4 In pairs, discuss the questions.

- 1 Emma, Nicole and Justin don't think Liam's photographs are any good, but they don't know how to tell him that. What should they do in this situation? Tell Liam the truth or tell him what they think he wants to hear?
- 2 Do you think it is important to tell someone the truth even when what you say might hurt them?

THINK THROUGH

An alternative ending

Work in pairs. Student A is Liam and Student B is Emma or Justin. Write and act out a conversation.

A You didn't win the school photography competition. You feel less confident about your ability to take photographs.
I'm not sure taking photos is the right thing to do.
Perhaps I'm wasting my time.
Does this mean I'm no good at taking photographs?

B You are disappointed that Liam didn't win. You want to encourage him to keep taking photographs.
Cheer up. It's only one competition.
Look on the bright side – you were brave enough to enter.
You'll win lots of competitions in the future.