ACTIVE LISTENING TIPS

- Avoid getting distracted by your own thoughts. Focus on the speaker and topic instead.
- 2 Try not to interrupt the other person. Let them finish and then respond.
- Use 'door openers'. These are phrases that show you're interested and keep the other person talking.
 For instance: "Tell me more", "Go ahead, I'm listening", "That sounds interesting!"
- Use body language to show that you're listening.
- 5 If appropriate, take notes during important conversations.
- Paraphrase what others have said to make sure that you're both on the same page. "So, what you're saying is..."

