

## Compromising

### Vocabulary:

**A Compromise** : something intermediate between different things; an accommodation in which two sides make concessions

**to compromise** - make a concessions; arrive at a compromise *"Nobody will get everything they want. We must all compromise"*

**to compromise smth** - expose or make liable to danger, suspicion, or disrepute; *"The nuclear secrets of the state were compromised by the spy"*

**to compromise smth** (your principles / standards, conscience) - to do something which is against your principles and which therefore seems dishonest or shameful *"As soon as you compromise your principles you are lost"*

**to find agreement through communication** –приходить к соглашению через общение

**mutual acceptance of**–взаимное признание

**In the negative connotation** –с отрицательной стороны (с негативным оттенком)

**process of negotiating an agreement** –процесс заключения(нахождения) соглашения

**to find the best possible compromise-** прийти к лучшему возможному компромиссу

**to make a deal between** – заключить сделку между

**A settlement of differences** –урегулирование разногласий

**to settle (a dispute) by making concessions** – решить спор, идя уступки

**to make concessions** – идти на уступки

**to arrive at a settlement** – приходиться к урегулированию

**to reduce the quality, value, or degree of something** –снижать качество, значимость или степень чего-либо

**to pledge one's allegiance** — заверять в своей преданности

**to agree** - achieve harmony of opinion, feeling, or purpose

**give and take** - make mutual concessions; "In life you have to give and take"

**endanger, imperil, expose smth-** put in a dangerous, disadvantageous, or difficult position\to **put smth in danger / in peril**

## Questions:

- Do you think it is possible to strike agreement through communication?
- Do you regard compromising as a significant part of relationships?
- Do you often settle a conflict by making concessions?
- What do you like more: disputing endlessly or agreeing with someone's opinion?
- What tend to be the main causes of conflict?
- Is conflict inevitable?
- How can conflicts be resolved?
- Does there have to be a winner and a loser in a conflict?
- What happens to people who are involved in conflicts?
- How do you deal with conflicts?
- Is it possible to avoid conflicts through compromise?
- Has mediation ever helped you to solve problems and to find compromise?
- If so, did you use a professional, or a friend?
- ⌚ Did you experience any kind of conflict in your family?
- ⌚ How can conflicts in the family be avoided / prevented?
- ⌚ Should a conflict be solved straightaway or when you calm down?

## Sayings:

1 *Better bend than break.* (Proverb) Лучше согнуться, чем сломаться.

2 *Compromise makes a good umbrella, but a poor roof, it is temporary expedient, often wise in party politics, almost sure to be unwise in statesmanship.* (Lowell) Компромисс - хороший зонтик, но плохая крыша: на какое-то время он целесообразен, часто нужен в межпартийной борьбе, и почти никогда не нужен тому, кто управляет государством.

3 *Life cannot subsist in society but by reciprocal concessions.* (Samuel Johnson) Жизнь в обществе не возможна без взаимных уступок.

4 *Real life is, to most men, a long second-best, a perpetual compromise between the ideal and the possible.* (Russel) Реальная жизнь для большинства людей представляет собой постоянную необходимость мириться с второсортностью, вечный компромисс между идеальным и возможным.