

- Ms Gossip.** Good afternoon, Ms Chatterley. How are you today?
- Ms Chatterley.** How are **you**, Ms Gossip?
- Ms Gossip.** Won't you come in?
- Ms Chatterley.** I'm so sorry. I can't stay long.
- Ms Gossip.** But surely you'll have a cup of tea with me.
- Ms Chatterley.** Well, it's very kind of you. But I don't think I can.
- Ms Gossip.** I know you're busy. But you can certainly manage to spare a minute. We won't be long.
- Ms Chatterley.** I only want to tell you that Mr Garry from the house next door is going to be married next week.
- Ms Gossip.** Well, I never! Is that possible? Who is he going to marry?
- Ms Chatterley.** Fair Mary Merry.
- Ms Gossip.** What?! Fair Mary Merry marries Harry Garry?
- Ms Chatterley.** Yes, and Miss Spinstering tells me confidentially... but please don't tell anybody...
- Ms Gossip.** You can rely on me. I shan't say a word to anybody. Won't you come in and have a nice cup of tea?



***They go inside together and go on talking and chattering over their teacups all afternoon.***

***In each line one word does not fit with the others:***

talk	<del>dream</del>	chat	say	speak
sorry	excuse	apology	pardon	attack
a mirror	a cup	a glass	a vase	a bucket
hour	minute	second	moon	year
fair	blond	chestnut	loud	red
a letter	a word	a neighbour	a sentence	a phrase
tea	coffee	water	rock	beer
morning	noon	afternoon	evening	dark
Mary	Harry	Diana	Sharon	Eve
to flirt	to love	to engage	to marry	to fly
wicked	kind	nice	lovely	dear
door	entrance	bar	way in	gate
busy	working	occupied	active	quiet
today	away	now	at the moment	nowadays
confidentially	in secret	between us	angrily	privately
Ms	Mrs	Miss	Mr	Misc
tell	say	manage	chatter	answer
rely on	trust in	count on	believe in	spit on