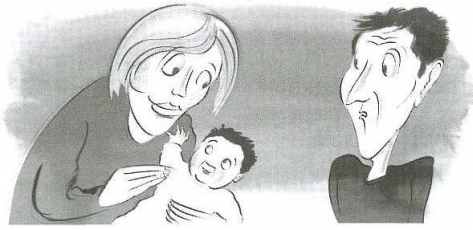


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You're **Emma** and you've been together with your partner **Martin** for five years. There are several things you've been wanting to talk to him about.

1 The baby You had a baby daughter, which you both wanted, 11 months ago. Since then, you've felt incredibly tired (it's always you who gets up at night when she cries), and you seem to be doing everything related to the baby. Martin does nothing. You want Martin to help you more with the baby but the only problem is that he's completely useless!

2 Your mum Your mum (a widow) lives in the same city and she usually visits you most afternoons, and at weekends. She's great company and you love her visits. She also helps you a lot with the baby. Recently you've noticed that Martin isn't as friendly to your mum as he used to be.

3 Money Before having the baby you had a well-paid job. You think a baby should be with its mother until it is at least three years old. You definitely don't want to go back to work but Martin's salary isn't enough. He only works seven hours a day in a bank so maybe he could work longer and earn more money.

4 His Internet obsession Martin loves his computer! The computer is in the study and Mark spends hours there when he comes home from work. Why doesn't he sit and talk to you or watch TV with you? You've heard a lot about Internet dating. Could Mark have a cyber girlfriend?

Tonight after dinner talk to Martin about these problems and try to reach an agreement. Keep calm and don't lose your temper.

- Try to get Martin to agree to help you more with the baby.
- Find out what the problem is with Martin and your mum.
- Try to persuade Martin to do overtime at work.
- Try to persuade Martin to spend less time on the computer in the evening.