

## *Q Listening and Speaking 2 Unit 5 Audio Script*

### **Track 17**

The results of Gates's study of African Americans were surprising. For one thing, everyone in the study discovered that they had some white ancestors as well as African ancestors. For example, Gates found that he was actually 50 percent white. In fact, some of his ancestors were from Ireland.

Some participants were a little uncomfortable with this mix of black and white. They always thought of themselves as "black." They asked, "Will this change my identity? Will others see me differently?" Others, like comedian Chris Rock, welcomed the information. He felt it helped him get a more complete picture of himself.

Another person in Gates's study, author Bliss Broyard, had a different experience. Everyone in her family looked "white." But, her father actually had African American ancestors. He told her this just before he died.

### **Track 18**

Do you look more like your mother or your father?

### **Track 19**

Which do you think is more important—your DNA or your life experience?

### **Track 20**

Was the meeting a coincidence or did they plan it?

### **Track 21**

Do you spend more time with your friends or your family?