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1 Work in pairs. Complete the sentences for yourself and for your partner. Then read the sentences that you have written about your partner to him or her. How many times did you guess correctly what your partner thinks?

Me	My partner
1 I may be more/-er _____ than _____.	1 _____ may be more/-er _____ than _____.
2 I think I could _____ in the next few months.	2 _____ thinks _____ could _____ in the next few months.
3 I would like to be slightly more _____ because _____.	3 _____ would like to be slightly more _____ because _____.
4 I am fairly sure that I _____ at some point in the future.	4 _____ is fairly sure that _____ at some point in the future.
5 I like _____ to some extent.	5 _____ likes _____ to some extent.
6 I usually tend to _____.	6 _____ usually tends to _____.
7 I am actually _____, although this is something that _____.	7 _____ is actually _____, although this is something that _____.
8 In all probability, I will _____ soon.	8 In all probability, _____ will _____ soon.
9 It's unlikely that I _____ in the near future.	9 It's unlikely that _____ in the near future.
10 It is conceivable that I _____ in the next ten years.	10 It is conceivable that _____ in the next ten years.
11 I was hoping that I _____ by the end of the month.	11 _____ was hoping that _____ by the end of the month.
12 I thought I might have time to _____, but _____.	12 _____ thought _____ might have time to _____, but _____.

2 Write three more sentences about yourself using hedging and tentative language. One of them should be false, the other two should be true. Read them to your partner, who then tries to guess which one is false.
