BERTIE
So I’ve been told.
(quickly adds)
I can’t remember not doing it.

LIONEL
That I believe. Do you ________
when you think?

BERTIE
Don’t be ________.

LIONEL
How about
when you talk to ________?

LIONEL (CONT’D)
Everyone natters occasionally,
Bertie.

BERTIE
Stop ________ me that!

LIONEL
I’m not going to call you anything
else.

BERTIE
Then we shan’t speak!
Silence. The kettle whistles. Lionel makes himself a cup of
tea.

BERTIE (CONT’D)
Are you ________ for this, Doctor?

LIONEL
A fortune. So, Bertie...when you
talk to yourself, do you ________?

BERTIE
Of course not!

LIONEL
Thus proving your impediment isn’t
a ________ part of you. What do
you think was the cause?

BERTIE
I don’t know! I don’t care! I
stammer. And no one can ________ it.

LIONEL
Bet you, Bertie, you can read
________, right here, right now.
LIONEL (CONT’D)
And if I win, I get to ask questions.
BERTIE
And if I win?
LIONEL
You don’t have to answer.
BERTIE
One usually ________ money.
LIONEL
A bob each to sweeten it? See your shilling.
BERTIE
I don’t carry cash.
LIONEL
I had a funny feeling you mightn’t.
Logue fishes two coins from his pocket and puts them on the table.
LIONEL (CONT’D)
__________ you. Pay me back next time.
BERTIE
If there is a next time.
LIONEL
(nods)
I haven’t agreed to take you on.
BERTIE
I can’t ______ this.
LIONEL
Then you owe me a ______ for not trying.
BERTIE
“________…”

There! I can’t read
He hands the book back to Lionel.

LIONEL
I haven’t finished yet.
Lionel returns the book to Bertie and turns to some recording apparatus on a nearby table.
LIONEL (CONT’D)
I’m going to record your voice and then play it back to you on the same machine. This is ___________.
It’s the latest thing from America: a Silvertone.
He hands Bertie a pair of heavily padded earphones. Bertie doesn't want to take them.

LIONEL (CONT'D)
There's a bob in this, mate. You can go home ____________!
Bertie reluctantly puts them on. Logue turns a dial. LOUD MUSIC is heard. Bertie takes off the earphones. The music stops.
BERTIE
You're playing music.
LIONEL
I know.
BERTIE
How can I hear what I'm saying?!
LIONEL
Surely a Prince's brain knows what its mouth is doing?
BERTIE
You're not well acquainted with Royal Princes, are you?
Bertie replaces the earphones. Again, the LOUD MUSIC. His mouth moves as he reads, but all that can be heard. Finished, Bertie takes off the earphones and the music ceases. Bertie reaches for the coins, but Logue snatches them.

BERTIE (CONT'D)
Hopeless. Hopeless!
LIONEL
You were sublime. Would I lie to a prince of the realm to win twelvepence?
BERTIE
I've no idea what an Australian might do for that sort of money.
LIONEL
Shall I play it?
BERTIE
No.
LIONEL
If you prefer, we'll just get on to the questions.
BERTIE
Thank you Doctor, I don't feel this is for me.
He heads for the door. Logue puts the record in a brown paper dust jacket and hands it to Bertie.
LIONEL
Sir? The recording is free. Please keep it as a souvenir?
Lionel opens the door for Bertie and closes it behind him
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Elizabeth looks up at Bertie hopefully.
BERTIE
No
Elizabeth nods and rises. They walk towards the door together.
ELIZABETH
Ah well.

1) What sort of attitude did Bertie (Colin Firth character) have during the scene? Why?
2) Why did Lionel play the “bet” game?