

TOASTMASTER Meeting Role

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Speaker	Ah-Um-Er	Well	So	But	Like/You know	Double Clutch	Other	Other (explain)
Ken		1	2					
Danny	1		1			we we		
Iain	3		1	2				
Rebecca	11		3	1				
Amy	3		4	1				
Charles	1		2					
Jack	4					1 (I)		
Sarah	4		2					
Alessandro	11		6					Yeah; poofs

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Eric	2		1		yk (2)			and (1)
Rachelle	5		3	1				and (2)
David	6		2			1		and (4) now (2)
Gabe	2							
Ken	1							
Erin	10		3		1			and (8)
Charles	2							