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Quizlet - https://quizlet.com/274242887/advanced_lesson_listening-flash-cards/

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Script

Here are the top stories today:

A giant crocodile attacked a man walking his dog along a river in Australia. Fortunately, the man beats the beast back with a rock as the man's dog bites the reptile on the face. Both man and dog suffered minor injuries but are expected to recover.

Next, a huge tornado catches a woman trapped in her vehicle and carries her a quarter of a mile from town. The woman suffered a broken leg and minor neck injuries, but she was more worried about her cat swept away by the storm. She's offering a \$1,000 reward for her feline friend.

In another part of the world, a man gets his hand stuck in a kitchen garbage disposal and is trapped for three days. His cries went unanswered until breaking the kitchen window and signaling for help with a fire extinguisher. The man said that his wedding ring disappeared down the disposal, and he was trying to fish it out.

And finally, a Canadian family of four gets lost trying to drive across a mountain pass in a blizzard and is stranded for a week, surviving on a banana, 10 cheese crackers, and a cooked ham. Temperatures dipped to fifteen below as the family stays warm by singing Christmas carols. The family is finally rescued after the father hikes fifteen miles to get help. And that's the news today.

Exercise 1

- 1. News Story One:
- A. Huge Creature Lashes out at Man and Canine
- B. Giant Crocodile Eats Dog and Bites Man
- C. Man Becomes Latest Fatality in Attacks
- 2. News Story Two:
- A. Woman Missing After Tornado Hits Town
- B. Injured Woman and Missing Cat Result of Twister
- C. Frightening Storm Causes Damage in the Thousands
- 3. News Story Three:
- A. Man Disposes of Ring Out the Window
- B. Kitchen Sink Holds Man Hostage
- C. Man Battles Burned Fish in House
- 4. News Story Four:
- A. Family Lost After Car Breaks Down on Weekend Drive
- B. Winter Hike Over Mountain Turns Deadly for Family
- C. Snow Storm's Grip Strands Family on Outing answers
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Exercise 2

Additional task (optional)

Give your student(s) 5 minutes or less to go online and find some news. Tell your student that he or she will have to take on a role of a journalist and make a short report on the news found(no longer than 2 min).

Exercise 3

Some questions to get a conversation going:

Would you ever consider being a journalist? Why or why not?

Would you ever consider being a newscaster?

If someone asked you to be a journalist, what kind of stories would you write about?

Would you prefer being a newscaster or a journalist?

When you watch the news, are you interested in the story or the newscaster who presents it? Do you think journalists tell the truth when they write?

Do you think journalists add more information to make the story interesting?

Do you believe journalists exaggerate what they write about?

Do you believe that journalists write stories so they can be important and noticed on television/magazines/newspapers etc?

Do you trust the information you get from the news?

If you are someone who usually follows the news, has there been a time when you decided to stop? Why and for how long?