

IN THE MOVIES

Aim: Give Ss practice with filler phrases in the context of a listening script.

Preparation: Make one copy of the worksheet for every S. Have available an audio player and the audio program for the Listening on page 93.

Comment: Use after the Listening on page 93. Use the audio program for the Listening.

- Give each S a worksheet.
- Explain the task. Before you play the audio, Ss look at the expressions at the bottom of the script and fill in the blanks with the correct number.
- Play the audio program once to check answers.

- **Option:** Ss role-play a radio interview, using the expressions. They can discuss any interesting job.

Answers

7, 2, 4, 3, 6, 8, 1, 9, 10, 5

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GRANT: So, what did you think of the movie?

CASEY: Well, the acting was good, but I thought it was too predictable.

GRANT: What do you mean, predictable?

CASEY: I could tell what was going to happen, even before it happened on screen! All of these action movies have ☐.

GRANT: ☐. What about *Star Wars*? That movie is totally different from this one.

CASEY: Well, OK, this movie is set in Washington, D.C., not in space – but the basic formula is the same. ☐, the main character is introduced – the good guy.

GRANT: Right. We had Luke Skywalker in *Star Wars*, and in this one, we have the president of the United States.

CASEY: ☐. Then a problem is presented. Right? Usually, the problem is bad guys who do something wrong, and the good guys have to stop them. That's when the action really starts.

GRANT: Of course – because it's an action movie!

CASEY: Right. So, like Luke has to save Princess Leia and fight Darth Vader. Or, ☐, the president has to fight enemy soldiers trying to take over the White House.

GRANT: And then . . . something bad happens, and it seems like all hope is lost.

CASEY: Exactly! In this movie, it seemed like the president was winning, but then the bad guys kidnapped his family.

GRANT: And in *Star Wars*, Princess Leia's planet was destroyed.

CASEY: But it's all really just a test of our heroes' strength and determination!

GRANT: ☐! OK, it really does seem like there are some similarities. So then, ☐, we get to some good stuff. Like the president setting a trap for the enemy soldiers!

CASEY: Yes! A new plan is put into action. Remember how the Death Star spaceship had one weakness? Luke and the rebels planned to destroy the ship.

GRANT: ☐, the bad guy is defeated. Luke destroys the Death Star, Princess Leia is safe, and Darth Vader is spun off into space!

GRANT: ☐, right? And in this movie, the president's family is saved and the soldiers are sent to jail. ☐.

CASEY: And that's the most important part!

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| 1. finally | 6. like in this movie |
| 2. I don't think so | 7. the same basic story |
| 3. Exactly | 8. Wow |
| 4. First | 9. And in the end |
| 5. It's a feel-good ending | 10. Thank goodness |