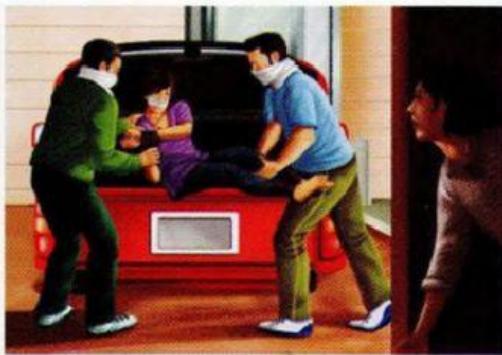
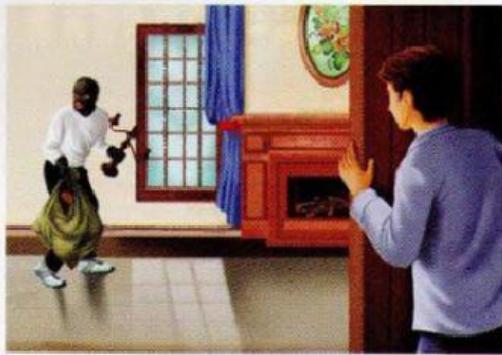


UNIT 8:LISTENING

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Vocabulary Reporting verbs

1 Match the verbs (1–8) with the definitions (a–h). Then listen and repeat the reporting verbs.

1 admit	a to say that you are not happy with something
2 promise	b to make a choice about what you want to do
3 suggest	c to have the same opinion as other people
4 explain	d to say in a strong way that something is true or should happen
5 complain	e to say something is true when you don't want to
6 insist	f to say something more about something
7 decide	g to say that you will definitely do something
8 agree	h to offer a plan or an idea

2 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentences below.

- 1 My mum complained / promised that she would buy me a new bike.
- 2 He admitted / complained that it was his fault.
- 3 He insisted / suggested that he was innocent.
- 4 She suggested / explained that we went out for dinner.
- 5 They decided / admitted that they would stay at home.
- 6 We complained / agreed that this was the best decision.
- 7 They promised / complained that the fine was too high.
- 8 She decided / explained that the robbery had been carefully planned.

Listening A news report

4 Work with a partner. Look at the police sketches for two crimes. What do you think happened in each?

5 Listen to a news podcast. What do the two stories have in common?

6 Work with a partner. Listen again and look at the words. Which words belong to which story? Try to reconstruct the stories.

scared millionaire evidence bravery robber kidnapper fine reward

7 Complete the sentences with the past simple form of reporting verbs from Exercise 1. Which story do they come from? Then listen again and check.

- 1 Ralph ..., that he'd been a little scared.
- 2 He ... that the man in the library was the robber.
- 3 The police ... that James would receive a reward.
- 4 The businesswoman ... that she and James met to thank him in person.
- 5 The police ... that it was a very detailed description.

