

LISTENING & READING

1  1.02-1.05 Listen and match the journalists, Chris, Margot, Ritu, and Rafael, with the pictures (a-d).

2 Read and complete what each journalist said with an appropriate verb structure. 



Unlike some other stories, we knew in advance when it (1 go) was going to happen, so we were really prepared that day. I remember people were going crazy, trying to find special glasses and a good place to see it, and everyone was happy to talk to us. As a journalist, I'm always reporting on negative events, and I (2 do) _____ this for a long time, so this was a nice change for me. When it actually happened, it was truly spectacular and there was no need to say anything - we just watched and filmed, amazed like everyone else.



I had come all the way from Europe to San Francisco just to go to this event, so I definitely (3 have) _____ a feeling that something important was going to be revealed. I (4 already come) _____ to these kinds of things for a few years now, but when Steve Jobs gave us his presentation, we were all blown away - the camera, the internet, we had never seen anything quite like it! Even so, I would never have guessed just how much that little handheld device would change all of our lives! Nowadays, we (5 take) _____ them for granted, but back then, it was way ahead of its time.



This was a long time ago, and I'd only been reporting the news for a couple of months at that point. But already, I (6 see) _____ a lot of people come to try to do the impossible. So, even though I knew it could happen, I was still shocked when they actually made it to the peak. I knew everyone would want all the details, so I made sure to ask everyone involved as many questions as I could, especially our new local national hero! Many people (7 reach) _____ the summit since, but it (8 be) _____ more difficult back then, and plus, it's always more special the first time.



As a television reporter, this was maybe the most exciting time of my career. The whole country was filled with visitors and the international media, and there was just so much going on every single day for those two weeks. I (9 get) _____ up at dawn and stayed out until late at night - I think I (10 still recover) _____ from it! The highlight for me was reporting live from the beach volleyball tournament where our men's team took home the gold. Interviewing Alison and Bruno afterwards, I knew the whole country was cheering them on.

Listen again and check.