

- b 220 Look at the glossary and make sure you know how the words are pronounced, and what they mean. Now listen to **Part 2**. Then answer the questions with a partner.

Glossary

aimed /eɪmd/ *verb* pointed a weapon at sth

mugging /ˈmʌɡɪŋ/ *noun* the crime of attacking sb, or threatening to do so, in order to steal from them

trigger /ˈtrɪɡə/ *noun* the part of a gun that you press in order to fire it

John Wayne an American actor who often starred in Western and war films

tough /tʌf/ *adj* strong enough to deal with a difficult situation

bushes /ˈbʊʃɪz/ *noun* medium-sized plants like small trees

- 1 Where are Susan and Stan at the beginning of **Part 2**?
- 2 How does Susan feel about shooting?
- 3 According to the instructor, who is the typical victim of a mugging?
- 4 What kind of person does the mugger avoid?
- 5 How does the instructor recommend they should walk in order to look tough and confident?
- 6 How does the instructor say they can recognize a mugger?
- 7 What did he teach them in the previous two classes?
- 8 What surprises Stan about Susan?

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- c 221 Read and listen to **Part 3**. Answer the questions with a partner.

The shops were closed when the **movie-goers** came out into the dark Mulberry Street Shopping Center parking lot. It had been one of the Superman films and Susan felt inspired. Stan would not have **approved** of her going to the movies alone, especially not back to the place where she was robbed. But he was away and she'd taken all those self-defense lessons. Now she knew a thing or two.

A group of dark bushes were between her and her car. She walked confidently straight through them, then she stopped. She bent down slightly, and turned to look carefully behind her. She saw the man before he saw her. Everything she'd learned in her classes **went through her mind**: she looked at his walk, the look on his **shadowed** face, the object in his hands. Her breathing got quicker. She thought of the hours she'd worked to earn those fifty dollars, and of the **so-and-so** who had stolen it from her so easily. She took from her pocket the little gun that Stan had taught her to use. Then, just as the man walked past the bushes, she jumped behind him so he couldn't see her.

- 1 What effect did watching *Superman* have on Susan?
- 2 How did Susan feel about going to the cinema alone this time?
- 3 What did she think about when she saw the man?
- 4 Look at the **highlighted** words and phrases and try to work out their meaning from the context.
- 5 What do you think is going to happen next?

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- d 222 Listen to the end of the story. In pairs, discuss what you think happened, and what Susan is going to do in the future. Do you like the way the story ended? Did it end the way you expected?

