

## Dialogue 21A

**Mark:** I think watching movies is a waste of time.

**Sue:** Really? I don't think so. Why do you think that?

**Mark:** Because when you watch a movie you are lazy and you don't learn anything.

**Sue:** Right I understand what you're saying, but **another way to look at it** is that it's helpful to watch movies—especially if you are studying English.

**Mark:** What do you mean?

**Sue:** Well, if you watch a movie in English, you can practice reading English subtitles and maybe your reading skills will improve.

**Mark:** I guess...

**Sue:** And if you want to improve your listening skills, maybe you can turn off the subtitles and just pay close attention to the actors speech.

**Mark:** Right, but **you also have to consider** that most people watch movies just for fun and they only read the Chinese subtitles.

**Sue:** I guess that's true, but that doesn't mean everyone is like that.

**Mark:** Yeah, I see what you mean.

**Sue:** So we can say that watching movies isn't a waste of time if we use the experience to help improve our English skills.

**Mark:** Okay, I'm with you.