

## 2C

### Listening

## Investigative journalism

*I can predict the kind of information I need to listen for.*

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### 1 Complete the text with the words below.

dig around ethics gruesome gutsy infiltrate  
revelations scandal tip-off

In 2014, Singaporean investigative journalist Zaihan Mohamed Yusof published a book called *Foul!* It contained startling [ ] about how criminals were paying footballers to 'fix' matches by playing badly. This helped the criminals to win money by betting on the other side. The book caused a big [ ] in Singapore when it came out, and it called into question the [ ] of the billion-dollar sports betting industry.



It all started when Zaihan received a [ ] about the problem and decided to [ ] for more information. In the end, he managed to [ ] a Singaporean criminal network that was fixing matches in places as far away as South Africa. Zaihan's car was vandalised twice by criminals during his investigation, and he also received [ ] death threats – but he's a [ ] individual, and the threats didn't deter him from investigating. His book and newspaper articles have led to many arrests, but sadly the problem of match fixing continues.

### Listening Strategy

Read the task carefully and try to predict the type of information you need to listen for. This is especially important in sentence-completion tasks.

### 2 Read the Listening Strategy. Then look at sentences 1–4. What kind of information do you think you will need to complete them?

#### Investigative reporters and the paparazzi

- 1 Famous people expect to be photographed occasionally, but would like part of their lives to remain [ ].
- 2 Some celebrities use [ ] to ruin paparazzi photos.
- 3 A photographer says that having good [ ] is more important than waiting for people for hours.
- 4 Photographers couldn't sell photos of Daniel Radcliffe because of his [ ].

### 3 1.07 Listen to four people talking about celebrity photographers. Complete the sentences in exercise 2 with a word or short phrase.



### 4 You are going to listen to a person talking about an undercover FBI agent. Read sentences 1–8 and think about what kind of information you need to listen for.

#### The Real Donnie Brasco

- 1 When Pistone joined the FBI, most agents relied on [ ] to do their job.
- 2 He invented a [ ] for himself when he was undercover.
- 3 Pistone became friends with a criminal called Benjamin Ruggiero, and Ruggiero [ ] him.
- 4 Ruggiero gave the FBI a lot of [ ], but he didn't know it.
- 5 Nobody [ ] Pistone's identity because he looked and acted like a member of the Mafia.
- 6 Eventually the Mafia wanted Pistone to [ ] for them.
- 7 Some people are worried about the [ ] of an agent working with criminals for so long.
- 8 Because of Pistone, New Yorkers learned about [ ] who took money from the Mafia.

### 5 1.08 Listen to the recording and complete each sentence in exercise 4 with a word or short phrase.

