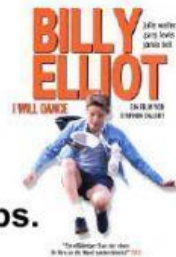


Listening activity – BILLY ELLIOT



Listen to the audio file and use the words from the box to complete the gaps.

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I can _____ now! I can do everything – all the moves. Miss teaches me for a lot of the lesson. The girls aren't happy about it.

"Miss – what about us?" they say.

She _____ listen. "I'm busy!"

Then it happened Michael often said to me, "What about your dad? What are you going to do?"

Yeah, it happened. I was in the centre of the class. Miss was next to me.

"And _____ your leg, Billy"

I looked up and there he was by the door. His face was red. Miss saw him too. The music stopped.

"You! Out! Now!" he shouted.

Miss wanted to say something, but I stopped her. I had enough _____. I followed my Dad out of the Social.

"Ballet!"

We were in the kitchen. Dad didn't speak to me when we left the Social. Maybe he was too _____ – I don't know.

"What is wrong with ballet?" I said "Lots of people do it"

Dad's face was red again.

"Lots of GIRLS do ballet, Billy. Not boys! Boys do football or boxing".

It was true in a way. Ballet isn't boxing. You don't _____ anyone. It's not miming. So, my dad can't understand it.

So it is not boxing or mining. Well, so what? I'm not the same as my dad. I can be _____.