Theme 1

Unit 3 News Stories

1 **Check the meanings of the adjectives in the box below. Look at the headlines and pictures A and B. Write each adjective into the appropriate column under each picture, together with its meaning.**

tragic	weird	bizarre	heartbreaking
surprising	distressing	terrible	intriguing

Powerful earthquake kills thousands of people in Nepal



Man bites crocodile on nose in Australia



1. *tragic (sad)*
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

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1 **Listen to the interview with Jack about news stories. Write short answers to the questions (not more than THREE words).**



1. How does Jack get news?

   _____

2. What does he like about newspaper headlines?

   _____

3. What kind of news stories does he enjoy most?

   _____

4. What doesn't he like reading about?

   _____

2 **Read the information about adjectives, and the pairs of adjectives in the box below. Then complete activities A and B in the box underneath.**

Adjectives ending in **–ed** describe how we feel about someone or something.

Adjectives ending in **–ing** describe someone or something that has an effect on us.

interested/interesting	excited/exciting	disappointed/disappointing
shocked/shocking	amused/amusing	surprised/surprising

A Circle the correct adjective in each of the following sentences. The first one has been done for you.

1. I am not very **interested/interesting** in the lives of celebrities.
2. I watched an **amused/amusing** film on TV last night. It was so funny that I couldn't stop laughing.
3. Maha has some **excited/exciting** plans for the future.
4. Ali was very **disappointed/disappointing** that his team lost the match.
5. Those statistics about traffic congestion are very **shocked/shocking**.
6. I was **surprised/surprising** to see Fatma in class today. I thought she had gone to Dubai.

B With a partner, think of similar pairs of adjectives. Make a list in your exercise book. Then write pairs of sentences to show the differences between the adjectives.

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