

Listening comprehension

- a You're going to listen to two stories. First listen to six extracts, and circle the words and phrases that you hear.

Peter wanted to get a job

- 1 It was the *recession / depression* and it was very difficult to get a job.
- 2 I *tried for / applied for* lots of different jobs.
- 3 We *got cut off / got off* because the bus went into a tunnel.



Sue wanted to see a tiger

- 4 I was interested in *either / neither* a trip to see birds *nor / or* a trip to see a tiger.
- 5 I thought it would be really cool to see a tiger *in the wild / in Thailand*.
- 6 We spent the *whole morning / all morning* looking for the tiger.



- b Listen to the stories once. Why are they examples of Murphy's Law?

- c Listen again. Mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false). Correct the **F** sentences.

- 1 Peter didn't have any qualifications.
- 2 He wasn't expecting to get a phone call about a job.
- 3 He couldn't call them back because his phone had no battery.
- 4 Sue didn't have much free time at the conference.
- 5 The guide was optimistic about seeing the tiger.
- 6 Sue didn't really enjoy her trip.

- d Whose experience was more annoying? Have you ever had a Murphy's Law experience?



- e Which is right?

- 1 If I'm / ~~I'll be~~ late this evening, don't wait for me.
- 2 Will you call me if I give / I'll give you my phone number?
- 3 If there is / will be a fire, the alarm will ring.
- 4 If I don't see you tomorrow morning, I call / I'll call you in the evening.
- 5 I'm / I'll be surprised if Martin and Jane get / will get married.
- 6 Do you go / Will you go to the party if they invite / they'll invite you?