Lesson 4C

HOW TO ... | talk about the news
VOCABULARY | news headlines; the news
PRONUNCIATION | word stress in adverbs for summarising

VOCABULARY

news headlines

1 A Complete the news headlines with the words in the box.

arrested	attack	celebrity	escape	march
rescued	scandal	strike		

1 Students _____ all the way from university to parliament to show support for academic staff.
2 Woman _____ by police after coming clean
3 Train drivers on _____ cause chaos for commuters
4 TV _____ admits pretending to sing on hit record
5 President resigns after major financial _____ involving members of the government
6 3,000 chickens _____ egg farm in Yorkshire
7 Family of four _____ from cliff by helicopter
8 Sea birds _____ tourists on beach

B Complete the conversation using words from the box.

announcement	arrested	celebrity	march
protests	quit	rescue	scandal

A: Did you see all those [1] _____ at the university and in the city centre today?
B: Yes, it's terrible. The police [2] _____ hundreds of people today.
A: I know. The protestors are going to [3] _____ to the mayor's office tomorrow.
B: I think the mayor's going to [4] _____ before then. She's making an [5] _____ later.

the news

2 Choose the correct alternatives to complete the sentences.

1 You can watch a **live feed** / **breaking news** from the International Space Station.
2 I think the news reporting was **trending** / **biased** towards the government.
3 We'll be back at 8 p.m. with an **update** / **announcement** on the story.
4 The video **went viral** / **trending** and was shared more than eight million times.
5 There are going to be **announcements** / **news** about the budget tomorrow.
6 This is a **breaking news** / **viral** story, so we do not have many details yet.
7 Do you **subscribe** / **follow** to any news channels?
8 The news about the celebrity scandal is **trending** / **live feed** on social media.

How to ...

talk about the news

3 A 4.05 | Listen to two conversations. Are the statements True (T) or False (F)?

1 Kitty Kristoff is the manager of a famous band.
2 Kitty quit because she wanted more money.
3 The cat's new home was far from his old one.
4 The cat's original owners decided to keep him.

B 4.05 | Listen again. Complete the sentences with one word in each gap.

1 Have you _____ the news about the singer Kitty Kristoff?
2 I don't usually _____ celebrities, but it's been all over the news.
3 Oh no. That's a _____.
4 Did you see the _____ about the cat who travelled hundreds of miles to get back home?
5 _____, its owners gave him away to new owners after their children left home because they didn't want a pet anymore.
6 Really? I can't _____ that!

C 4.05 | Listen again and check.

PRONUNCIATION

4 4.06 | word stress in adverbs for summarising | Listen to the sentences. Underline the stressed syllable in the adverbs. Then listen again and repeat.

1 Apparently, there's going to be a protest next week.
2 Basically, he quit because he found a better job.

SPEAKING

5 A 4.07 | Choose the correct words to complete the conversation. Then listen and check.

A: Have you been [1]**following** / **hearing** the news about the strikes?
B: Yes, it's received a lot of [2]**cover** / **coverage** on all the news channels.
A: I feel bad for the people trying to get to work. It's causing chaos. Do you know why they're on strike?
B: I don't know all the [3]**fact** / **details**, but basically, the drivers want more money and better working conditions.
A: It's been going on for days. I hope it ends soon.
B: [4]**Basic** / **Apparently**, there's going to be an announcement tomorrow. It [5]**seem** / **seems** they've made a deal with the government.
A: Really? [6]**It's** / **That's** a relief.

B 4.08 | You are B in in Ex 5A. Listen and speak after the beep. Record the conversation if you can.

C Listen to your recording and compare it to Ex 5A.

Speak anywhere Go to the interactive speaking practice

LIVEWORKSHEETS