

1.3 UPGRADE

1 LISTENING

A  1.01 Listen to the conversation and **circle** the correct answer.

- 1 According to Professor Silva, what is confusing for the students?
 - a how they survived without smartphones in the past
 - b the different rules on smartphones in class
 - c why they have to have discussions with each other in class
- 2 What does Professor Novak think about smartphones in class?
 - a She uses them too much.
 - b They're useful in a lot of ways.
 - c They shouldn't be allowed.
- 3 By the end of the conversation, both professors:
 - a lose their patience.
 - b disagree with each other.
 - c agree that cell phones can help students.



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2 CRITICAL THINKING

A **THINK CRITICALLY** What are the advantages and disadvantages of using a smartphone in a language class? How could it help you with reading, pronunciation, and listening?

3 SPEAKING

A Put the conversation in order.

A Yeah, standing in line for tickets and popcorn was part of the excitement. Generally speaking, movies aren't as much fun now. Sure, you can watch from home, but you have to watch it alone or with only a few friends. It was better watching a great movie with a big crowd of people.

B Count me in! As for *Star Wars*, I have a costume for almost every character. I'll be there.

1 A It's so easy to watch movies nowadays, but I really miss going to the theater.

A When it comes to wearing costumes, I usually have a costume party every time a new *Star Wars* movie comes out. You should come next time. It'll be a lot of fun.

B That is so true! Remember when the first *Harry Potter* movie came out? There were so many people there. Everyone wore costumes of their favorite characters. It was like a big party.

B I couldn't agree more. I miss it, too. Overall, watching movies is easy nowadays, but it's also boring. I used to love standing in line to get tickets, buy popcorn ...



B Choose one of the topics. Write a conversation between two people. Use phrases for discussing issues and agreeing strongly.

- 1 People are healthier now than they used to be.
- 2 We used to communicate with each other more frequently.
- 3 Classroom teaching has improved because of technology.
- 4 Social media is a waste of time.

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