

What do you think is about to happen?

1. _____ A. Drag and drop the names of the items under the matching picture.

Who does each of the items belong to?
What else was there in John's car?

an Oakley backpack

camouflage duct tape

bear mace

six knives from

a Belgique cookware set

a pocket knife

pepper spray



B. Listen again and fill the gaps with numbers _____

He had been formidably big, ____ foot ____ and ____ pounds of steroidal muscle, a survivor of jail and prison cells in at least ____ states. He had lost serious weight over the months. He was down to ____ pounds, but his intended victim would still be a foot shorter and ____ pounds lighter. He would have the element of surprise. He would have the knife. It bore no resemblance to a fair fight.

2. Listen and fill the gaps with verb forms _____

And then I got out of my car. I got my dog out of my car and then I walked to the back license plate and John came up and _____ me by the waist, put his arm around my waist, looked me in the eye, and he said, "Do you remember me?" And I didn't even _____ to that; I just tried to get away from him. He started grabbing me, trying to _____ his hand over my mouth, but I _____ him. I was _____ him, trying to get away from him, he started to _____ me, I thought, but it turns out he was _____ me. One of my automatic reflexes was to put my arm up to protect my chest and I also had my purse with me, so he stabbed my purse a few times, I believe, and then he also got one in my arm that was one inch deep.



We were just kind of _____ for seconds, but it seemed like forever; it seemed like minutes. I was just trying to run away from him, but he kept on _____ me, kept on _____ to stab me. We fell to the ground. My dog was also _____ his ankles and biting him, just going off on him. I fell onto the ground, I fell on my back, and he was on his knees with the knife just trying to stab me.

3. Listen and fill the gaps with noun phrases _____

Three floors of apartments flanked the _____ at the Coronado's Apartment Complex. Overlooking the scene where John Meehan attacked Terra Newell were _____. Dozens of them, even scores, afforded a clear view. It was _____.

Blonde, small-boned Skylar Sepulveda, 14 years old, didn't know Terra but looked like she could have been her _____. She had just pedaled home from junior lifeguard training at the Balboa Pier on her _____. She was in apartment T302, wearing only a T-shirt covered swimsuit when she heard the screaming and went to the window. She saw Terra struggling on her back on the far side of the parking lot a few hundred feet away and John Meehan above her.

Skylar Sepulveda: I will never get those screams out of my head. He had a knife. The knife was _____ that was shining. He was holding it over his head and that was _____ that I saw out of the window before I started running.

Christopher: Skylar told her mom to call police and grabbed her _____.

Dispatcher: Newport Beach 911.

Skylar's mom: There's a man up here with a knife and a girl screaming.

Christopher: Barefoot, she bolted out the door and rushed down two

_____.

Skylar's mom: My daughter is taking a towel to her right now because somebody yelled she's bleeding so we're running over there right now with a towel.

Dispatcher: Okay, [...] she's bleeding?

Skylar's mom: It's really bad.

Dispatcher: All right, I understand. We have officers on the way.

Skylar's mom: Like, "Mom, somebody's screaming, somebody's screaming," and then she saw this guy just raising his hand up and down, up and down.

Dispatcher: Okay, all right.



4. Listen and answer the questions _____:

1. How long did it take Skylar to get to the place of fight?
2. What was common in that apartment complex?

5. Read this excerpt from LA Times website. Using dictionaries and the context put these three verbs into the text.

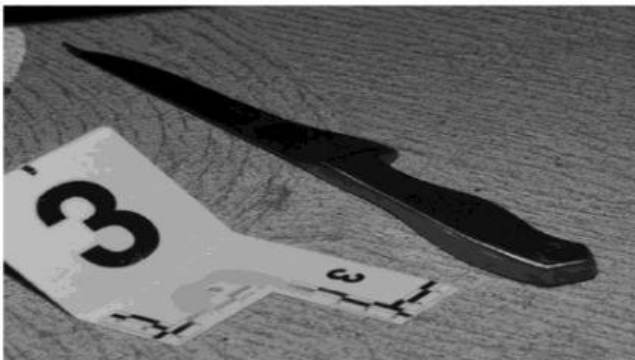
flailing

pedal-kicking

clipped

The rain boots Terra wore that day were her sturdy pair, with thick tread.

She was on her back, _____, trying to save herself, when she _____ his knife hand.



The blade flew from his grip.

It fell to the pavement.

It fell with the handle pointed toward her.

It fell inches from her right hand.

She was right-handed. She didn't think.

She began _____, looking for targets.

She connected, again and again.

His shoulder. His shoulder blade. His triceps. His shoulder blade. His upper back.

His shoulder blade. His upper back. Between his shoulder blades. His forearm. His triceps. His shoulder. His chest.

His left eye — and through it — into his brain.

Now, listen to the snippet from the podcast _____

How did Terra call her last stab?

Listen and shadow. _____ She connected again and again. His shoulder, his shoulder blade, his triceps, his shoulder blade, his upper back, his shoulder blade, his upper back, between his shoulder blades, his forearm, his triceps, his shoulder, his chest, his left eye – and through it – into his brain. She heard him gasp as he fell heavily on top of her.

6. Read another excerpt from the LA Times website. Drag and drop.

a surgeon's incision

crawling away

picked up her cellphone

bleeding and convulsing

to calm her down

in a gash on

When she reached the top of the steps, Skylar Sepulveda found John Meehan face-down, _____. Terra was _____, shaking, screaming about how he had stalked her and tortured her family.

Skylar could see exposed muscle _____ Terra's forearm, like _____. Skylar wrapped it with a beach towel and tried _____. She asked her questions: "What is your birthday?" It happened they had the same July birthday. Terra was terrified that her attacker would get up and come at her again. Someone else had arrived and was checking on him.

"He can't get up," Skylar said. "He can't hurt you."

Terra _____ and called her mom. "I'm really, really sorry," she said. "I think I killed your husband."

7. Listen _____ **What did the police do?**

8. Listen to the clip

Why was Terra upset about the police having revived John?

CPR

noun [U]

UK  /ˌsiː.piː.ɑːr/ US  /ˌsiː.piː.ɑːr/

abbreviation for **cardiopulmonary resuscitation**: a method used to keep someone alive in a medical emergency, in which you blow into the person's mouth then press on their chest and then repeat the process:

• to administer/perform CPR

9. Read and translate the chunks. Listen and retell _____

rule out the possibility of some trick

It could be a story

was summoned to the hospital

responsible for pulling the plug on her husband

looked at the brain scans

gave the okay to pull him off life support

10. Listen and ask questions for the following answers _____:

a) To harvest his organs

b) Because years of drug use ravaged them.

c) On August 24, four days after he attacked Terra Newell.

Listen again and fill in the gaps:

John Michael Meehan, drug _____, _____ law student, _____ nurse anesthetist, _____ doctor, prolific _____, _____ - _____ lothario, and _____ of uncountable women, was declared dead at age 57 on

Lake McDonald, Montana



11. Listen and answer the questions:

1. What did detectives tell Matt Murphy?
2. What happens 99 times out of 100 [in such cases]?
3. What way do these things usually end?
4. What was John gonna do?
5. Why did his plan go wrong?

What do you think are the repercussions of the events for Terra?

What are some possible ways of healing the trauma?

12. Listen, join the chunks and report the gist _____.

quit her job at

triggered memories

the anxiety

paranoid and irritable

barking dogs

flooded her sleep

struggled

the dog kennel

made her

was paralyzing

then nightmares

to breathe

found a therapist

as my protector

part of this is learning

overwhelming

as an emotional

she can go on her mind

imagining a safe spot where

who's helping her

things feel

not to use animals

put him in the picture

crutch quite as much

What do you think Debra's life is now like? Listen and report back

Let's say goodbye to the people from this series of lessons. Can you remember their names?

