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Intervention 2

Developing features of pronunciation

Watch this To pursuit of happiness movie clip as many times as you need and then do the activities below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUDKEbX5OQw>

Activity 1

Intonation grammatical function

Identify the intonation pattern in the following sentences from the movie. Then click on the microphone and say them.

a) I was arrested for failure to pay parking tickets.

[0oo0oooo]

[oo0oooo0o]

[ooo0o0oo]

[]

b) I ran all the way here from the Polk station, the police station.

[0oooooooo0oo]

[o0ooooo0oooo]

[oooo0oo0oooo]

[]

c) What were you doing before you were arrested?

[oOoOoooo] [oooOoOoo] [oooOoOoo]

[]

d) He said you're smart.

[Ooo] [Ooo] [ooo] [oOo]

[]

e) Have you already started learning on your own?

[ooOooooo] [oooOoooo] [oooOoOoo]

[]

Activity 2

Pitch and intonation

In the following groups of thoughts from the movie, select (r) if the pitch goes up, (f) if the pitch goes down, or (n) if it remains neutral.

a) He's been waiting outside the front of the building [] with some 40-pound gizmo [] for over a month. []

b) I don't know. [] One too many, apparently. []

c) But I was also first in my radar class... [] in the Navy. [] And this was a class of 20. []

d) I'm the type of person... [] if you ask me a question, [] and I don't know the answer, [] I'm gonna tell you that I don't know. []

e) But I bet you what. [] I know how to find the answer, [] and I will find the answer. []

Activity 3

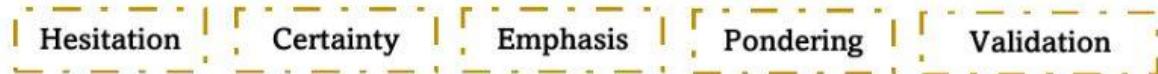
Pause intentions.

In these sentences from the movie, what meaning does the pause made, select the one that you consider correct.

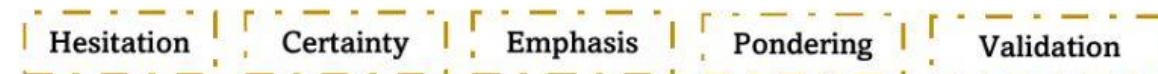
1) I don't know. One too many, apparently.

[] Hesitation [] Certainty [] Emphasis [] Pondering [] Validation

2) First in your class in school? High school?



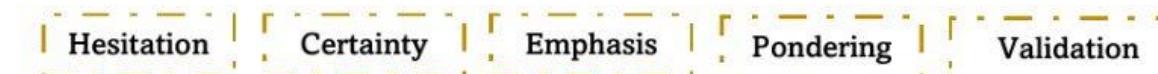
3) But I was also first in my radar class... in the Navy. And that was a class of 20.



4) But I bet you what. I know how to find the answer, and I will find the answer.



5) What would you say if a guy walked for an interview... without a shirt on... and I hired him? What would you say?



Activity 4

Following the pattern

Repeat the following statements with the same pattern given in the film. Click on the microphone and say them.

- a) I was painting my apartment.
- b) Jay says you're pretty determined.
- c) Well, I like to think so.
- d) Yes, sir I wanna learn this business.
- e) Was he ever dressed like this?
- f) Is that fair enough?