

[BÀI 4] LISTENING PART 4 – GAP FILL

Instructions: Listen and complete the script with
ONE WORD for each gap.



Man: Welcome, Andrea. You're an expert ice hockey player now, but when did you start playing?

Andrea: Not until about three years ago actually, so quite recently. I've come a long way quite quickly. I've always loved (1) _____, though, and have played basketball since I was five or six. I gave that up for a while when I got into (2) _____ about five years ago, but started playing again once I'd lost interest in football.

Man: How did you first become interested in playing ice hockey?

Andrea: My (3) _____'s into it, and I used to go to his games. His team wasn't very good, though, so I didn't think of it as something I actually wanted to do. That moment came when there was a professional (4) _____ on a sports programme I was watching. I knew then I wanted to try it, and fortunately, a couple of friends did too, so we all started playing (5) _____.

Man: You sometimes play against boys' teams. How important is that?

Andrea: Very. There are as many girls playing ice hockey now as there are boys, which is great. Attitudes towards us have always been (6) _____, in my experience. I want to do better against boys somehow – I'm not sure why – which really helps to develop my (7) _____.

Man: How did you feel when you were chosen for the national under-16s team?

Andrea: I'd been really happy with how I'd been playing for my (8) _____ and felt I could do just as well at a higher level. There'd been a lot of talk about me being picked, so I kind of knew it was coming. It was great for my (9) _____ too – they felt great having a daughter in the national team.

Man: Are the national team matches your favorite games?

Andrea: Not always, even though some of them are big games and appear on national television. If a game's close because both teams are good, then it's fantastic for the (10) _____ to see, and better to play in because of that. It's far more interesting than scoring loads of (11) _____ because we're so much better than the other team.

Man: Any advice for people wanting to start playing ice hockey?

Andrea: You can spend hours reading (12) _____ about what you can and can't do, but there's no better way of becoming good than (13) _____. So borrow some (14) _____ and a stick if you need to – you can buy your own later – and join a team so you can start playing straight (15) _____.

Man: Thank you, Andrea!