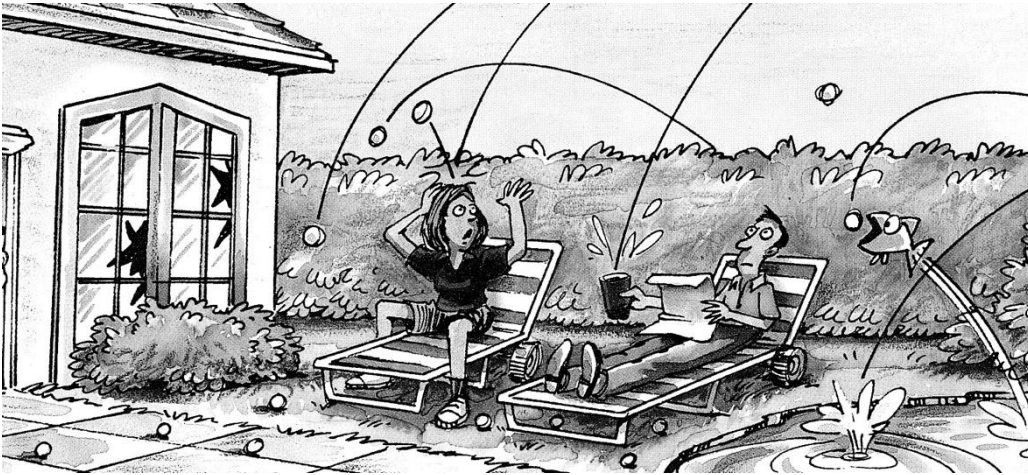


Good News Bad News – Unit 5

Dream Home



Vocabulary

backyard	奥庭	【おくにわ】
bombard	砲撃	【ほうげき】
discover	捜し当てる	【さがしあてる】
drawback	不利益	【ふりえき】
evidence	証拠	【しょうこ】
include	含む	【ふくむ】
judge	裁判長	【さいばんちょう】
legal	法的	【ほうてき】
looking forward to	待ち遠しい	【まちどおしい】
property developer	不動産屋	【ふどうさんや】
sue	訴える	【うったえる】
war zone	戦場	【せんじょう】

Before you listen again, read the sentences below. Then listen and number them in the order the events happened.



- a. They paid a higher price because the house was next to a golf course.
- b. They won the legal battle and got a new house.
- c. Because of that, they couldn't use the backyard.
- d. They soon discovered there was a problem.
- e. The Punzos decided to sue the property developer.
- f. Golf balls hit by bad players often landed in the backyard.
- g. Emilio and Margaret Punzo bought a new house.

Shadowing exercise

Listening skill depends on short-term memory. Develop your ability to remember 2-3 seconds of speech. Do this exercise with a partner. One person does not see this text. The other person reads the text aloud slowly, stopping at each slash mark. The person who is listening has to repeat each short segment of speech. When you finish, switch roles.

If the person who is listening and repeating makes a mistake, correct the mistake, even if it is a minor mistake.

Listen carefully for the minor details that are difficult to hear: final consonants such as /s/ /z/ /d/ /t/ /v/, prepositions such as in, on, at, of etc., and the articles a, an and the

A couple, / whose home and backyard / were bombarded with thousands / of mis-hit golf balls, / has won a new house / after a five-year legal battle. /

Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid \$132,000 dollars / for their dream home in San Ramon / near San Francisco. / The price even included / an extra \$8,000 dollar charge / because the house / was next to a golf course. /

After moving in, / they soon discovered the drawback / -- golf balls from bad players. / They were unable to use their backyard / because it was like a war zone / according to Mr. Punzo. /

They sued the property developer / who sold them the house, / and produced as evidence / golf balls / that had landed in their backyard. / They showed the judge / a dozen grocery bags / filled with more than 2,000 balls. / The Punzos won, / and the judge / told the property developer / to pay for another house for them. / They are looking forward to moving / into their new house soon / and relaxing in the backyard.

\$132,000 dollars: one hundred and thirty-two thousand dollars

Listen to the story again. In the text below, all occurrences of a, an, and the have been taken out. Put these words back in by indicating them as in the example:

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example: *They bought ^v new car last week.*

1. couple whose home and backyard were bombarded with thousands of mis-hit golf balls, has won new house after five-year legal battle.
2. Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid \$132,000 dollars for their dream home in San Ramon near San Francisco.
3. price even included extra \$8,000 dollar charge because house was next to golf course.
4. after moving in they soon discovered drawback - golf balls from bad players.
5. they were unable to use their backyard because it was like war zone according to Mr. Punzo.
6. they sued property developer who sold them house and produced as evidence golf balls that had landed in their backyard.
7. they showed judge dozen grocery bags filled with more than 2,000 balls.
8. Punzos won, and judge told property developer to pay for another house for them.
9. they are looking forward to moving into their new house soon and relaxing in backyard.

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Listen to (or read) the story again and correct the errors with plural and singular in nouns and verbs.

A couple, whose home and backyard was bombarded with thousand of mis-hit golf ball, has won a new house after a five-year legal battle.

Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid **\$132,000 dollars** for their dream home in San Ramon near San Francisco. The prices even included an extra \$8,000 dollar charges because the houses was next to a golf courses.

After moving in, they soon discovered the drawback -- golf ball from bad player. They were unable to use their backyards because it was like a war zone according to Mr. Punzo.

They sued the property developer who sold them the house, and produced as evidence golf ball that had landed in their backyard. They showed the judge a dozen grocery bag filled with more than 2,000 ball. The Punzo won, and the judge told the property developers to pay for other house for them. They is looking forward to moving into their new house soon and relaxing in the backyard.

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Dictation

A couple, _____ and backyard were bombarded _____ of mis-hit golf balls, has won _____ after a five-year _____ battle.

Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid \$ _____ dollars for their _____ in San Ramon near San Francisco. The price _____ an extra \$8,000 dollar charge because the house was _____ .

After _____ in, they soon _____ - golf balls from _____ . They were _____ their backyard because it was _____ according to Mr. Punzo.

They sued _____ who sold them the house, and produced as _____ golf balls that had _____ . They showed the judge _____ filled with more than 2,000 balls.

The Punzos won, _____ told the property developer to pay _____ for them. They are looking forward to moving _____ soon and _____ in the backyard.

Dictation

A couple, _____ and backyard were bombarded _____ of mis-hit golf balls, has won _____ after a five-year _____ battle.

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The Punzos won, _____ told the property developer to pay _____ for them. They are looking forward to moving _____ soon and _____ in the backyard.

A more difficult dictation

Listen to the story and write the missing part of it. The beginning and ending that you can read here may give you some clues about the details spoken in the missing part of the written text.

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Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid \$132,000 dollars for their dream home in San Ramon near San Francisco. The price even included an extra \$8,000 dollar charge because the house was next to a golf course.

They were unable to use their backyard because it was like a war zone, according to Mr. Punzo.

The Punzos won, and the judge told the property developer to pay for another house for them. They are looking forward to moving into their new house soon and relaxing in the backyard.

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Put the verbs in the correct tense and aspect

A couple, whose home and backyard (1. **be bombarded**) _____ with thousands of mis-hit golf balls, (2. **win**) _____ a new house after a five-year legal battle.

Emilio and Margaret Punzo (3. **pay**) _____ \$132,000 dollars for their dream home in San Ramon near San Francisco. The price even (4. **include**) _____ an extra \$8,000 dollar charge because the house (5. **be**) _____ next to a golf course. After moving in, they soon

(6. **discover**) _____ the drawback -- golf balls from bad players. They

(7. **be**) _____ unable to use their backyard because it (8. **be**) _____ like a war zone according to Mr. Punzo.

They (9. **sue**) _____ the property developer who (10. **sell**) _____ them the house, and (11. **produce**) _____ as evidence golf balls that

(12. **land**) _____ in their backyard. They (13. **show**) _____ the judge a dozen grocery bags filled with more than 2,000 balls. The Punzos (14. **win**) _____ ,

and the judge (15. **tell**) _____ the property developer to pay for another house for them. They (16. **look**) _____ forward to moving into their new house soon and

relaxing in the backyard.

Sample of a summary

A couple bought a new house in San Francisco. At first, they thought it was great that it was beside a golf course, but they quickly realized that this was not a good thing. Golf balls that were hit by bad players always landed in their backyard. The situation was so bad that they sued the property developer who sold them the house. They won the legal battle and received a new house that was not next to a golf course.

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TRANSCRIPT A (THE ORIGINAL STORY)

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TRANSCRIPT B

Read this story to your classmate and tell him or her to listen carefully and find 10 differences from the original story.

A couple, whose home and backyard were bombarded with thousands of mis-hit golf balls, has won a new house after a three-year legal battle.

Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid \$252,000 dollars for their dream home in San Leon near San Diego. The prices even included an extra \$8,000 dollar charge because the house was next to a golf course.

After moving in, they soon discovered the drawback -- golf balls from bad players. They were unable to use their backyard because it was like a war zone according to Mrs. Punzo.

They sued the property developer who sold them the house, and produced as evidence golf balls that had landed in their backyard. They showed the judge a container filled with more than 1,000 balls. The Punzos lost. They did not get a new house, but the judge told the property developer to pay for tall fence around their house. They are looking forward to selling their house soon.

TRANSCRIPT B ANSWERS

Read this story to your classmate and tell him or her to find 10 differences from the original story.

A couple, whose home and backyard were bombarded with thousands of mis-hit golf balls, has won a new house after a **three**-year legal battle.

Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid **\$252,000** dollars for their dream home in **San Leon** near San **Diego**. The prices even included an extra \$8,000 dollar charge because the house was next to a golf course.

After moving in, they soon discovered the drawback -- golf balls from bad players. They were unable to use their backyard because it was like a war zone according to **Mrs.** Punzo.

They sued the property developer who sold them the house, and produced as evidence golf balls that had landed in their backyard. They showed the judge a **container** filled with more than **1,000** balls. **The Punzos lost. They did not get a new house.** but the judge told the property developer to pay for **tall fence around their house**. They are looking forward to **selling their house soon**.

ANSWERS (page 3)

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2. Emilio and Margaret Punzo paid \$132,000 for their dream home in San Ramon near San Francisco.
3. **The** price even included **an** extra \$8,000 dollar charge because **the** house was next to **a** golf course.
4. After moving in they soon discovered **the** drawback - golf balls from bad players.
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8. **The** Punzos won, and **the** judge told **the** property developer to pay for another house for them.
9. They are looking forward to moving into their new house soon and relaxing in **the** backyard.

ANSWERS (page 4)

Listen to (or read) the story again and correct the errors with plural and singular in nouns and verbs.

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The **price** even included an extra \$8,000 dollar **charge** because the **house** was next to a golf **course**.

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