



Module B Unit 3

Training 1.1 (p.21)

Announcer : You are Henry Lam, a police detective. You are talking about some recent newspaper headlines with your partner, Sergeant Lau. Match the headlines below with the newspapers. Write the letters (A-F) in the spaces provided.

Detective : ^③ Sergeant Lau, what are you reading there, the *Hong Kong Post*?

Sergeant : Yeah. This is a really interesting story. It's about a kid who saved his mother.

Detective : What did he do?

Sergeant : She passed out in the car so he drove her to the hospital.

Detective : It could happen.

Sergeant : Yeah, but he's only 3.

Detective : Hmm, that does seem unlikely.

Sergeant : ^② But how about this one in *The Sun*. It's about a baby who can speak English.

Detective : Nothing strange about that.

Sergeant : But he's only 2 weeks old!

Detective : Oh, well that's *The Sun*. You can't believe anything you see there.

Sergeant : ^⑤ The one I really love is the *Weekly World News*. They have the best headlines. Every year, they claim the world is going to end and here they've done it again.

Detective : Well, one of these days they're going to be right. Anything about crime in there?

Sergeant : ^① Sure, remember that girl that disappeared over in Discovery Bay?

Detective : Yes. Have they found her?

Sergeant : Well, according to the *City Daily*, she was eaten by a giant pig.

Detective : That's terrible. Here's another article about pigs though. ^④ It's in the *Daily Express*, so maybe it's true.

Sergeant : What's it about?

Detective : It says you can lose 100 kilos by eating an all pork chop diet. Maybe you should try it!

Sergeant : Very funny. How do you think I gained all this weight in the first place?

Detective : I think I can help you lose some weight actually. ^⑥ I read an article last night in the *Daily Mail*.

Sergeant : So?

Detective : It says that the lady who sells noodles out on the plaza can talk to ghosts. That ought to kill your appetite! *

Training 2.1 (p.22)

Announcer : Listen to what the people say and write their names in the spaces provided.

Wilson : Did you watch TV last night, Yvonne? I saw an interesting programme!

Yvonne : You mean *Old Detective Story*? Yes, I saw that too. Hmm...but why did you think it was so interesting?

^② Wilson : It talked about a cruel killer in the 18th century. And I searched for it in the online search engine — that's a true story! Can you believe this?

^① Yvonne : Oh no, Wilson! Stop that please. I couldn't help shaking when I was watching the programme last night!

Wilson : Calm down, Yvonne. I'm sorry. I was just curious.

Carrie : Hi, Yvonne and Wilson.

Wilson : Hi Carrie. We are talking about the TV programme, *Old Detective Story* last night. Did you watch it?

Carrie : I saw that too. I'm not too interested in detective stories but the problem is; it made my little brother cry.

Wilson : Why is that? Isn't your baby brother only 2 years old?

^③ Carrie : Yes, we thought he wouldn't understand the programme but he kept crying even until late at night. And he told me he had nightmares. I don't know how I can make him happy again.

James : Hi guys. What are you talking about?

Carrie : Hi James.

Wilson : We are talking about *Old Detective Story*.

^④ James : Oh I wish I could go home on time to watch this programme last night. Actually, my brother and I set the programme recorder but it was not working. We'd planned to see the programme weeks ago!

Carrie : Gosh, why are boys always interested in this kind of programme? *

Training 2.2 (p.23)

Announcer : Three witnesses have seen something strange and you are asked to interview them. Listen to the conversations with your colleague and the witnesses. Complete the witness report below.

Detective : This is Henry Lam, a detective from Yau Ma Tei Police Station. Can you tell me what happened?

Officer : Hi Detective Lam. We've received phone calls reporting a large object in the river. Some witnesses thought it was a monster. ^① It came up from the

ocean and disappeared under the bridge.

Detective : A monster? Hmm...tell me more.

Officer : Sure. ^② There were some big waves so the witnesses didn't see the objects very clearly.

Detective : Was any one injured?

Officer : No sir, but a boy is missing. ^③ Two boys were swimming when the object appeared. The missing boy is one of them.

Detective : Thanks. I'll talk to the witnesses one by one.

Announcer : Witness 1.

Detective : What's your name, Madam?

Mrs Smith : ^④ I'm Mrs Smith.

Detective : Mrs Smith, please tell me what you saw.

Mrs Smith : I saw the whole thing, officer. ^⑤ It was incredible. I was up on the bridge looking down and I saw those two boys swimming. I looked out towards the ocean and I saw something big down under the water. It was moving really fast and I started thinking: Is that a submarine or what?

Detective : Take it easy, Mrs Smith. Slow down and tell me what happened.

Mrs Smith : OK, OK. It came up that way from the ocean and disappeared under the bridge. There was a huge noise and I ran over to the other side to look down. ^{⑥⑦} There was something big and black. ^⑧ Then I heard one of the boys screaming and I realised that the other one had disappeared. After that, I couldn't see anything because the water was rough, but there was some kind of creature down there, I can tell you that. ^⑨ It was no submarine. It wasn't a whale either. *

Announcer : Witness 2.

Detective : OK sir. What is your name, please?

Ron : Ron. ¹⁰ Ron Liu. L-I-U, Liu.

Detective : Please tell me what you saw.

Ron : I didn't actually see anything. ¹² I did hear some pretty big bangs though — it sounded like a boat hitting the bridge support, but it might have been some kids playing around.

Detective : Why do you say it could have been the kids?

Ron : Oh, those kids are always over there fooling around, breaking things and I think they steal things as well. ¹¹ I wouldn't be surprised if they made the whole thing up for some excitement. ¹³ In any case, there was no monster — don't be ridiculous. *

Announcer : Witness 3.

Detective : So you're George Lin, right? Please tell me what happened.

George : Yes. It was terrible. We were swimming there under the bridge and I started to get cold so I swam over to the bank. I was lying in the sun, half asleep.

Detective : Sorry, who is 'we'?

George : Me and my brother, Terry. ¹⁴ What happened to Terry? Please help me find him.

Detective : We will. Can you tell me what happened next?

George : There were some big waves coming so I looked up. The waves were so big so I couldn't see much. ¹⁵ Then there was this horrible shrieking sound.

Detective : Shrieking sound...was it your brother?

George : No, it was louder than a person could make. It sounded more like an animal, but really powerful. I saw my brother

swimming and he turned to the opposite direction as fast as he could and then he just got pulled under by something...

Detective : Could he have just drowned?

George : No way. ¹⁷ He was a very good swimmer, and I'd swear ¹⁶ I saw the object with a long neck pulling him under. He just disappeared and then it was quiet and I couldn't see anything. *

Training 3.1 (p.24)

Announcer : Listen to what the gardener says and mark the places on the map below. Write the letters (A-D) in the boxes.

Gardener : It's my first time to see a plant walking! ¹ My wife and I were taking my son to the playground on Beach Road when I saw a big red flower walking around the playground slowly. It looked horrifying and I knew it was a man-eating flower! I told my son to go home with my wife and then I followed the flower. ⁴ It walked along Park Road and suddenly rushed to the fountain. I couldn't see what happened next but I found a young man lying by the fountain. He was bleeding!

Then I called the ambulance and it took the man to hospital. The police arrived too. We turned left to Park Road and followed the plant down Eagle Street where it went into a flower shop. Can you see the symbol of a flower on the map? That's the flower shop. I guess the plant was attracted by the soil there. Anyway, it was then locked in the shop by the police.

One of the police officers told me a crazy scientist made the flower in his laboratory. ³ So the police rushed to the scientist's house. I followed them down the Diamond Close but he wasn't there. The police searched that area and

found him near the basketball court.
Later on, someone reported that a kid had disappeared near Beach Road.
② The police finally found the missing kid at the beach along Vanilla Bay Road.
Sadly, he was dead. *

Training 3.2 (p.25)

Announcer : You have asked Sergeant Lau to investigate the sighting of the monster but she gets lost. Listen to the phone conversation between you and her and mark the places on the map below. Write the letters (A-G) in the boxes.

Detective : OK, Sergeant Lau, please tell me where you are now and I'll see if I can give you directions.

Sergeant : I'm on Highway One and I just passed Peak Road.

Detective : OK. ① Well, the first thing to do is go down to the Highway Bridge. That's where the monster was seen swimming in the river. Have a look around and see if you can find anything.

Sergeant : Right. What am I looking for?

Detective : Anything that will tell us what's going on! ② Anyway, next turn left and follow Bedford Road and then turn right on River Road. Go straight till you see the warehouse. There's an open field there and the body was found on the far side of it. Look around and see if there are any clues there.

Sergeant : You don't really think there's a monster, do you?

Detective : I don't know, but something or someone killed Mr Adams and we need to find out what happened.

Sergeant : OK. I didn't find anything useful.

Detective : ③ Gosh, I just got a report that someone found a clutch of giant eggs.

Sergeant : You've got to be kidding me.

Detective : I hope it's just a joke, but you get over there fast and find out.

Sergeant : Where are the eggs?

Detective : They are by the river. ③ Go all the way down Bedford Road to Peak Road and turn right. You should see a crowd of people there along the river. Make sure that nothing happens to those eggs.

Sergeant : Yes sir. I'm on it.

Detective : ④ If there really are any eggs there, you'd better go and get Dr Bolt and take him to have a look. He lives in Bedford Road. Just walk along Peak Road until you see a basketball court and turn right. Pick him up and get over to the egg site. And Sergeant Lau, be careful. Have you got a gun in the car?

Sergeant : Yes. Why?

Detective : Just bring it. ⑤ We've had a report that something big was seen walking behind the church off Pine Street. If there is a monster, it may be able to leave the water.

Sergeant : Great. Just what I needed to hear! How about some back-up?

Detective : ⑥ We're sending a patrol down to follow the sighting, but in the meantime, I need you to go to Mrs Smith's House. She was the witness who called in the report. ⑥ Her house is on the opposite side of the river. Walk along Pepper Drive and turn into Labour Close, which is one street behind Royal Avenue. The number is 1214.

Sergeant : OK. Is that it?

Detective : One last thing. ⑦ We still need a report from Mr Adams' family. His house is on Royal Avenue. Talk to his brother again and get any other relevant information.

Sergeant : OK. I'm on it. *