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Listening

Unit5 – Lesson3
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A ▶05-18 Listen to the radio show. What went wrong at the party?

a. Katy didn't share a secret, so her sister got upset.
b. People left because there was hardly any food.
c. The dog ate almost everything that Katy had prepared.



B 05-18 Read the Listening Skill. Listen again. Put the events from the story in the correct order. Write the numbers in the boxes.











LISTENING SKILL

Listen for time words

Pay attention to time words such as *when*, *after*, *before*, *at first*, *at that moment*, and *later*. They will help you understand the order of the events in a story.

Have your Ss answer the lead-in questions using the "whole-class" interaction pattern.



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I couldn't believe it! Almost everything was gone or on the floor. The pizza boxes were empty. There were only a few carrots and a little bit of hummus left. Worst of all, the birthday cake was all over the floor. And in the middle of the mess? My dog Koa, happily licking birthday cake and guacamole off her paws.

With hardly any food, eight hungry people, and no time to get upset, I went to work.

As I cleaned up the mess, I called our neighborhood pizza place. When I explained the situation, the girl on the phone had a great idea—but she needed 30 minutes. How could I keep my family out of the kitchen for that long? I thought quickly. There are only two things that my family likes better than food: playing games and laughing. So I took a deep breath and went into the living room. My sister was opening her last gift. Before anyone could say, "Let's eat!", I invented a new game: No one could eat until everyone shared a funny story about my sister.

A half an hour and many laughs later, the doorbell rang. And there it was…an amazing three-layer "pizza cake": a large pizza on the bottom, a medium-sized one in the middle, and a small one on top—with 20 candles. My sister was so surprised. And the best part? Everyone thought I planned it that way—well, everyone except Koa. But I knew my secret was safe with her.

READ THE SCRIPT AND UNDERLINE ANY NEW WORDS YOU DO NOT KNOW.

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AS HOMEWORK USE A DICTIONARY TO LOOK UP THE WORDS AND LEARN THEM.