



## Unit 11, tasks 5a + b: Inspector Berry live at Clix News

**Carla Priestly:** And welcome back to our morning chat show *Brunch with Carla Priestly*. We are delighted to speak with today's guest, Inspector Berry, from Clixton in Ireland! Thank you very much for coming!

**Inspector Berry:** Oh, thank you for having me, Carla! It's a pleasure to be here.

**Carla Priestly:** You solved so many crimes in the last ten years and have become really famous because of it. Everyone knows you in Clixton. It is only natural that people want to know more about you. Why did you actually become a police officer?

**Inspector Berry:** Ah, when I was a child I loved watching real crime stories on TV. I was sitting there with my mum and my dad and after watching the films we always discussed the cases. But believe me, it feels different when something like that happens in your own home.

**Carla Priestly:** Hm. I can only guess that something bad happened when you were a child. What was it?

**Inspector Berry:** When I was 13 years old, someone burgled our flat. It was a normal Tuesday. Both my parents were out working and I was at school. When it was about 1:00 p.m. there was a knock on the classroom door and a policeman came in. He called out my name and took me with him to our flat.

**Carla Priestly:** That must have been scary.

**Inspector Berry:** Well, on the way to the flat he explained to me what had happened. When we came there, I saw that the entrance door was damaged. All our wardrobes were empty and our clothes were lying on the floor. When I looked into my treasure box, all the special things that I had collected and kept in it were gone. I got really angry.

**Carla Priestly:** I can imagine it must have been a very shocking experience. But what about your parents? Were they there too?

**Inspector Berry:** I was the first one on the scene. We did not have mobile phones back then, but my dad came about an hour later. My mum was the last person to join us. We were all traumatised by the experience. It is not nice to know that a stranger has

touched your stuff and taken the best things away. But the police officers were really nice.

**Carla Priestly:** Did they interview you?

**Inspector Berry:** Yes, the police interviewed us all until it was dark and then my dad tried to fix the door, but he didn't succeed. We had to sleep with an open door that night.

**Carla Priestly:** And did the police ever find the burglars?

**Inspector Berry:** No, unfortunately, they never found the thieves. But I was still very impressed by the work of the police. In fact, I later decided to become a police officer myself. And look at me now, I have been working as an inspector for over ten years and my team and I have solved 380 cases.

**Carla Priestly:** Well, that is very impressive! Thank you so much for the interview, Inspector Berry. It was lovely having you here!

**Inspector Berry:** Thank you too, Carla!