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(Answers)

Complete the sentences with the correct idiom(s)

1. The teacher asked the students to learn the poem by heart. (1 idiom)
2. Severn lost his cool, because his students made too much noise.
3. A: What do you think of Severn?  
B: Well, he's ok, but he's sort of strange.
4. The store clerk gave a good sales pitch. She was very persuasive.
5. Alright! You owe me 20,000 won! Fork it over now! (1 idiom)
6. He's a real party animal. He's always drinking and hanging out at the night clubs.
7. A: Hey! What's going on?  
B: Oh, not much. I'm just preparing for my next class.
8. We have an exam next week, so we have to cover a lot of ground in class.
9. The company was short-handed, so they hired some part-time workers.
10. I thought she was my best friend, but she showed her true colors when she stole my boyfriend.
11. He's very honest. He always tells it like it is.
12. Mokwon's one of the SKY universities, but Choongnam, Baejae, and Hannam are all 2nd rate universities.
13. A: Ok! Let's buy a present for Severn! Can everybody give 5,000 won?  
B: Ummmm sorry! I can only give 500 won.
- A: What? You really are a cheapskate.
14. I swear by my mother's cooking. I think she's the best cook in the world.
15. The students took issue with Severn's teaching style. They thought he gave too much homework.
16. My computer's too old! I think it's a goner.
17. I wasn't sure what to do. The answer still wasn't cut and dried.

- a. party animal 6
- b. lost his cool 2
- c. short-handed 9
- d. second rate 12
- e. sales pitch 4
- f. took issue with 15
- g. showed her true colors 10
- h. sort of 3
- i. going on 7
- j. fork over 5



# VOCABULARY AND SPEAKING

## Books and movies

1 We usually want to know some things about a book before we start reading it. Here are some answers. Write the questions.

1 Who wrote it?

Edgar Allan Poe/John Grisham/Agatha Christie

2 What kind of book is it?

It's a romance/a biography/a psychological thriller.

3 What's it about?

It's about two women on a roadtrip/the painter Van Gogh/a man with a strange obsession.

4 Where and when was it set?

Europe during World War II/Modern America/  
The Planet Zog in 2250.

5 Who are the main characters?

A boy named Harry Potter/A killer and his psychiatrist.

6 Has it been made into a movie?

Yes, it has. It came out a few years ago and starred Johnny Depp.

7 How does it end?

Really tragically/It's frustrating because we don't really know/They all live happily ever after.

8 Would you recommend it?

Yes, I would. I couldn't put it down/It took a while to get into, but then I was hooked.

9 What do the critics say?

Most said it was a great read/There was one bad review in the *New York Times*.

10 Has it won any awards?

Yes, it has. It was awarded the Booker prize for first-time writers.

CDI 32 Listen and check.

2 Which questions could also be asked about a movie? What other questions could you ask?

Look at the online **REVIEW** of a book called *The Fallen Curtain*, by Ruth Rendell. What kind of stories does she write? What words are used to describe them? Has she won any awards?

Read the **SYNOPSIS** of six of the stories. Match them with the titles.

1 The Vinegar Mother

2 The Double

3 You Can't Be Too Careful

4 People Don't Do Such Things

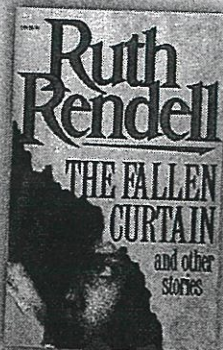
5 The Fallen Curtain

6 The Clinging Woman

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<http://www.bookreview.net>

**REVIEW**



**The Fallen Curtain**  
by Ruth Rendell

BOOKSELLER RATING ★★★★★  
CUSTOMER RATING ★★★★★



The short stories in *The Fallen Curtain* are from a crime writer at the height of her powers. Ruth Rendell employs all her spine-chilling crafts to produce a page-turner that makes the heart pound. She lays bare the twisted workings of the unbalanced mind in these tales of haunting psychological accuracy.

Awarded an Edgar by the Mystery Writers of America

**From the press**

★ "Suspense at its best" *The Times*  
★ "One of the best inventors of plots since Agatha Christie" *Daily Telegraph*  
★ "Ruth Rendell is at the top of her class" *The Observer*  
★ "Rendell transcends the mystery genre and achieves something almost sublime" *Los Angeles Times*

SYNOPSIS	READERS' REVIEWS	ORDERING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lisa fears for her life when she meets her exact double, the sensuous, manipulative Zoe. But Lisa's fiancé, Peter, becomes obsessed with Zoe, risking his savings and his sanity for her. <i>The Double</i></li> <li>A cautious woman's desire for security within her home is tested to the extreme by a roommate who often leaves the doors unlocked, which leads to sinister consequences. <i>You can't be too careful</i></li> <li>A suburban couple has an exciting, charismatic new friend, Reeve, a writer whose behavior toward them soon becomes both violent and sinister. <i>People don't do such things</i></li> <li>Sometimes mothers are not maternal. They reject their children. Here the mother-daughter relationship is disastrously played out. <i>The Vinegar Mother</i></li> <li>A quiet-living, modest man rescues a young woman from suicide and goes on to marry her, only to become a victim of her obsessive possessiveness. <i>The Clinging Woman</i></li> <li>A stranger lures 8-year-old Richard into his car with the promise of candy. At age 18 he is still haunted by the incident but remembers nothing until he revisits the site and the curtain lifts. <i>The Fallen Curtain</i></li> </ul>		

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## EVERYDAY ENGLISH

showing interest and surprise

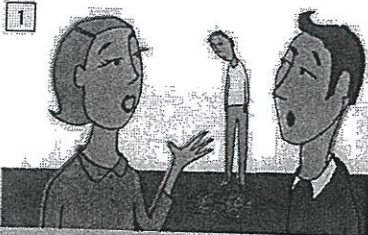


**CD1 39** Listen to the dialogue. Write in B's answers.  
How does she show interest and surprise?

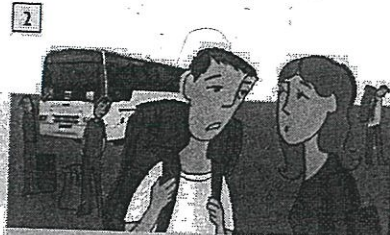
- A Jade's got a new boyfriend.  
B A new boyfriend? Good for her!  
A Apparently, he lives in a huge beach house.  
B He does? How amazing!  
A Yes. She met him in Mexico.  
B In Mexico? That's interesting.  
A Unfortunately, he can't speak much English.  
B He can't? I thought everyone could these days!

**2** B uses *echo questions* and *reply questions*. Which are which?  
Practice the conversation with your partner.

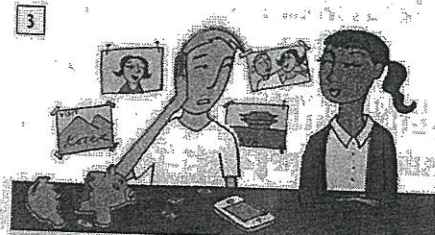
**3** Complete the conversations with either an echo or a reply question.



- A Sam wants to apologize.  
B To apologize?  
A Yes. He's broken your precious Chinese vase.  
B He did? Oh, no!



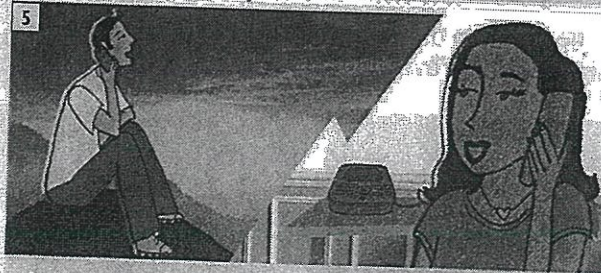
- A We had a terrible vacation.  
B You did?  
A Yes. It rained all the time.  
B It did?  
A Yes. And the food was disgusting!  
B It was? What a drag!



- A I'm broke.  
B Broke? How come?  
A Because I just got a phone bill for \$300.  
B \$300? Why so much?  
A Because I have a girlfriend in Korea.  
B You do? How interesting!



- A It took me three hours to get here.  
B 3 hours?  
A Yes. There was a traffic jam ten miles long.  
B 10 miles? That's awful!  
A Now I have a headache!  
B You do? Poor thing. I'll get you something for it.



- A I'm on a mountain, watching the sun set.  
B You are?  
A Yes. And I have something very important to ask you.  
B You do? What is it? I can't wait!  
A You'd better sit down. I want to marry you.  
B Marry me? Wow!

**CD1 40** Listen and compare. Practice them with a partner.

**4** Your teacher will read aloud some sentences about himself/herself.  
Respond using an echo or a reply question.