

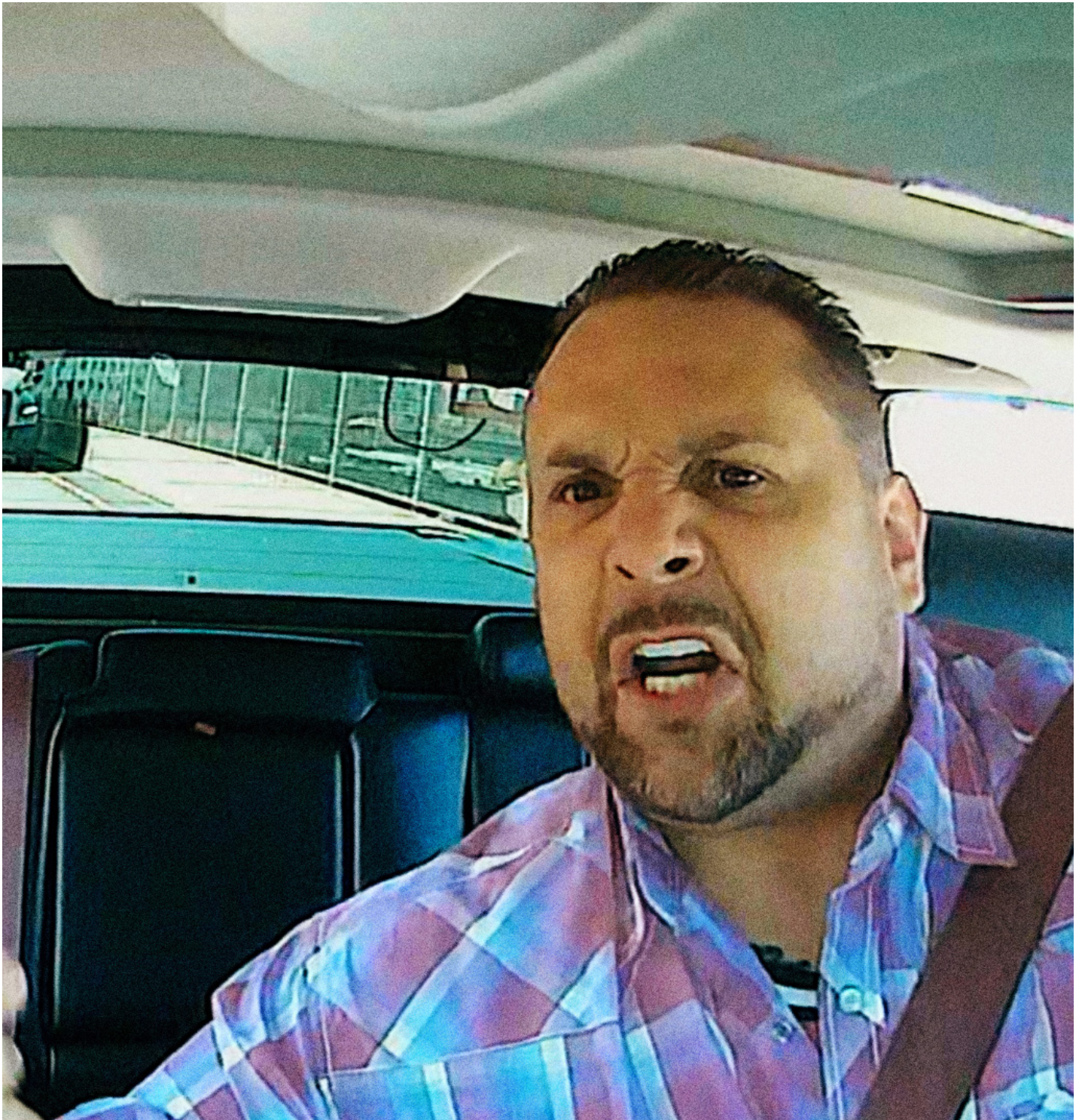
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## PRE – ASSESSMENT



### PRE 1 – True, False, Not Given

Listen to the audio carefully and determine whether the statements provided are True, False or Not Given based on the information you hear. Mark **True** if the statement is **correct**, mark **False** if the statement is **incorrect**, and **Not Given** if the information is **not mentioned** in the audio.

	TRUE	FALSE	NOT GIVEN
1 He was a man infuriated, cops say by the street closures and detours set up for the local parade.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 He's accused of aggressively barreling past the barriers and through the city.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 The dash cam video has just been released and we warn you, it's terrifying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 He was also accused of driving with a suspended license and no insurance.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



### PRE 2 – Re-Tell

Listen to the audio carefully After the audio ends, **re-tell what you heard in your own words**. Focus on summarizing the main ideas, supporting details, and any examples mentioned in the audio in 3-5 sentences using at least 3 vocabularies from the article.

## 01

## Article Transcription Reading.

The following text below is a transcribed text from the listening article. Feel free to **mark other words** that you are **not familiar with** or are not highlighted below. Notes are available at the last page of this lesson.

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- 00:00 He was a man **infuriated**, cops say by the street **closures** and **detours** set up for the local parade. Rather than deal with the **inconvenience**, he's accused of **aggressively barreling** past the barriers and through the city. The dash cam video has just been released and we warn you, it's **terrifying**.
- 00:18 We've seen road rage before but never like this.
- 00:22 "They got it all blocked, the Lloyd Center exit, the Convention Center exit, every [...] exit."
- 00:28 In the just released video, this 42-year-old driver is totally **out of control**. Sydney Mecham was **enraged** after he found traffic blocked in the city of Portland **due to** the annual Grand Floral Parade. He's on his way to see his mother. He even drives through a construction site. Every bit of the action is being recorded by his own cameras, front and **rear** but no ones prepared for what he does next. Mecham drives **right into** the parade **route**. **Stunned** parade goers **scramble** to get out of the way. Others start chasing after him on foot.
- 01:11 "First thing we saw was just people yelling trying to get the kids out of the road. We thought it was one of those kinds of terrorist attacks or something."
- 01:21 A police officer on a motorcycle tries to stop him but Mecham ignores the officer and drives down the **side street**. This guy quickly moves a barrier. Here's where it looks like it'll finally **come to an end**. With lights flashing, police cut him off but he just **swerves** and drives away. This may be an extreme case of road rage but experts there are lessons we can all learn from the video.
- 01:45 "The number one problem with drivers on the road these days is attitude. They get **behind the wheel**, they're in a **bad frame of mind** and that leads to bad things happening when they're out on the road. If you feel yourself **agitated** and excited, pull over to the side of the road, **take a moment**. Do some deep breathing exercises. Just relax, calm yourself."
- 02:06 Mecham was finally stopped and arrested. He's been **behind bars** since the June 10th incident.
- 02:16 Mecham, who has a **lengthy** criminal record, is facing 38 charges including using his car as a weapon. He has **pleaded** not guilty but is due in court next month.

# 02 A1 – Pairing Meanings.

Match the words on the first column to its corresponding meaning on the second column.

- |                       |                |  |
|-----------------------|----------------|--|
| <b>A</b> infuriated   | <b>1</b> _____ | causing extreme fear; very frightening   |
| <b>B</b> closures     | <b>2</b> _____ | extremely angered and impatient          |
| <b>C</b> detours      | <b>3</b> _____ | very long                                |
| <b>D</b> barreling    | <b>4</b> _____ | alley; backstreet; small street          |
| <b>E</b> aggressively | <b>5</b> _____ | a motorists uncontrolled anger           |
| <b>F</b> terrifying   | <b>6</b> _____ | in an angry and violent way              |
| <b>G</b> road rage    | <b>7</b> _____ | to move at high speed without hesitation |
| <b>H</b> side street  | <b>8</b> _____ | long route or way                        |
| <b>I</b> lengthy      | <b>9</b> _____ | closing down; shutdown                   |

# 02 A2 – Decipher Me.

Find the right word using the numbers and letters correspondingly. The synonyms of the words are provided to help you. After, create a sentence using the word you formed.

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>P</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Z</b>				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26				

**1**     – ask; appeal  
 16 12 5 4

**2**     – back  
 18 5 1 18

**3**        – furious, very angry  
 5 14 18 1 7 5 4

**4**         – upset; feeling troubled  
 1 7 9 20 1 20 5 4

**5**       – change direction  
 19 23 5 18 22 5

# 03 Speak Up.

You are welcome to authentically share your thoughts as you go through the following questions.

1 The reporter said that Mecham has pleaded not guilty, in your point of view, should he be behind bars without bail? Should people avoid eating to have a longer life?

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2 What is your opinion regarding the proposed design of the floating city in the Maldives?

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3 If you would be given the chance to design the city, what amenities would you include in the design?

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# 04 Building Deeper.

Choose the **words** from the article, or the vocabulary activity before. Write them under their corresponding categories. Do your best to **create examples** that can **help you remember** and understand the word better.

### FAVORITE WORDS

Words that you think you will use on a daily basis

WORD	01
.....	
+ example	

### INTERESTING WORDS

Words that you find interesting for the first time

WORD	01
.....	
+ example	

### DIFFICULT WORDS

Words that you find difficult to say or understand

WORD	01
.....	
how can I understand better + example	

WORD	02
.....	
+ example	

WORD	02
.....	
+ example	

WORD	02
.....	
how can I understand better + example	

# Careful about the things that can control you.



## Notes

- [1] **out of control** ▶ *phrase* uncontrollable, wild
- [2] **right into** ▶ *phrase* directly
- [3] **come to an end** ▶ *phrase* finish; end
- [4] **behind the wheel** ▶ *phrase* the one driving
- [5] **take a moment** ▶ *phrase* rest and relax
- [6] **plow through** ▶ *phrase* go through
- [7] **due to** ▶ *phrase* because of
- [8] **on foot** ▶ *phrase* running, walking, not using a vehicle
- [9] **cut someone off** ▶ *phrase* stop; suspend
- [10] **bad frame of mind** ▶ *phrase* bad mood, bad temper, bad state of mind
- [11] **behind bars** ▶ *phrase* in prison or in jail

Good job for finishing the lesson through. If you were to **give yourself stars** for doing your best, how many stars will you give to yourself for today's hardwork?



### KEY ANSWERS

A1  
1B 2I 3H 4G 5F 6A 7E 8D 9C

A2  
1 plead  
2 rear  
3 enraged  
4 agitated  
5 swerves

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