UPPER-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 7

1A Work alone. Prepare to talk about an embarrassing situation or experience you have had. Think about the following things and make notes.

- how old you were
- where you were
- what happened
- how you felt
- how other people felt

B Work in pairs and share your stories. Who has the most embarrassing story?

2A Discuss. What can go wrong when you're performing on stage/TV?

B Watch the DVD. Tick the problems you see. Were any of the things you discussed in Exercise 2A mentioned?

1 a presenter saying the wrong words
2 two guests having a fight
3 a presenter breaking something
4 the wrong guest in the studio for an interview
5 a guest breaking something
6 a guest disappearing from the screen
7 a guest speaking a different language
8 a fire

3A Work in pairs. Choose the correct answer, a), b) or c).

1 What does the presenter say that everybody has?
   a) their own news story
   b) a favourite news programme
   c) an opinion about the news
2 Which of these is NOT a reason for blunders during rolling news?
   a) You have to fill up a lot of time.
   b) There are too many words to remember.
   c) Things change all the time.
3 Which of these is NOT a feature of the new type of blunder?
   a) the right guest
   b) the wrong guest
   c) the right interview
4 Who is the 'champion' of the wrong guest interview?
   a) Gerry West **b)** John Bines **c)** Guy Goma
5 Which of these adjectives is NOT used to describe Guy Goma?
   a) charming **b)** inappropriate **c)** rude
6 Why was Guy Goma at the TV studio?
   a) for a TV interview
   b) for a business conference
   c) for a job interview

B Watch the DVD again to check.

4 Complete the collocations related to TV news with words in the box.

breaking	live	on	news	roving	weather

1 _____ coverage
2 _____ headlines
3 _____ news
4 _____ forecast
5 _____ reporter
6 _____ air

5A Choose a recent news story and find out the answers to the questions.

1 When and where did it happen?
2 Was it good or bad news?
3 What happened?
4 Who was involved?
5 What is the situation like now?

B Work in groups. Ask and answer questions about the news story you chose.

A: What story did you choose?
B: Recently there was a story about a man who wants to cross Antarctica on his own.
A: When did he do it?
B: He started his journey in November 2015.

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