



### Segment 13 (Units 25–28)

#### *Dinner with a theme*

Genre: Newscast

Viewing Time: 1:49

#### Background Information

Since the early days of television, the “man on the street” or “vox populi” segment of news programs has given everyday people the opportunity to voice their opinions on a particular topic. This man-on-the-street segment takes place in New York City, and there are references to places that students may be unfamiliar with.

#### Vocabulary for Comprehension

*Preview the vocabulary with your students.*

atmosphere: *the feeling that an event, situation, or place gives you*  
bubblegum: *a type of chewing gum that you can blow into a round shape*  
dependable: *able to be trusted*  
out of town: *from, to, or in another town or city*

overpriced: *too expensive*  
over-the-top: *outrageous*  
props: *an object such as a book, weapon, etc. used by actors in a play or movie*  
wear: *clothes of a particular type or worn for a particular activity*

#### Answer Key

*Previewing*

Answers will vary.

*In-Depth Viewing*

1. T
2. T
3. F—The food at many theme restaurants isn't very good.
4. T
5. T



### Video Script

**Reporter:** Have you ever eaten at a theme restaurant?

**1:** Yes. Um, well, eating at a theme restaurant for me started with a very long line.

**2:** My favorite theme restaurant is probably Planet Hollywood, but I also like Hard Rock Café.

**3:** The thing about eating at theme restaurants, especially when you're out of town, is that it's fairly dependable—you know what you can get.

**4:** They're fun because they have lots of cool stuff on the walls and, you know, you can look at it, and it's something entertaining while you eat and, you know, it's kind of like, both like, food and entertainment at the same time.

**1:** You come inside and there's many waiters and waitresses wearing all sorts of, you know, buttons and pins and over-the-top sort of wear.

**5:** It was kind of interesting in terms of all the atmosphere and the environment.

**6:** I ate at a theme restaurant where the waitress, um, threw bubblegum on our plate as a joke.

**7:** The food was actually very, very good. I was surprised. Usually at theme restaurants you don't get good food, but this place was, um, it was nice.

**8:** I've eaten at several theme restaurants. And I feel that a lot of them are, um, overpriced. Um, I noticed that, um, the food is not really that good as well.

**9:** The food's not great, but I think you're there for the environment, you're there for the experience. I think it's always great when I take out-of-town people who are visiting. So, it's about the experience more so than the food.

**51:** I guess what I didn't like most about those things were the crowds. Overpriced for what you get.

**1:** Last month I had to take a group of tourists to Planet Hollywood on Broadway, and it was a lot of fun. I hadn't been to a Planet Hollywood in a long, long time. And this new one is very well laid out with all the props and costumes, and the food was pretty good, too.