



### Segment 7 (Units 13–16)

#### *Lives of the stars*

**Genre:** Soap opera

*Viewing Time: 2:42*

#### **Background Information**

A soap opera is a type of program with an ongoing story line in which the same characters go through various problems and situations. This soap opera is about Nick Crawford, a star soccer player. Nick has been accused of taking a bribe to sit out a championship soccer game. There is a recording of him accepting a bribe from a woman named Jackie Baker. In this segment, Nick realizes that Jackie Baker is actually Jackie Bishop, the sister of Dean Bishop, another player on Nick's soccer team. Dean and Jackie want Nick out of the way so that Dean can become the star player of the team. Nick realizes that Jackie recorded her conversation with him and edited it to make it sound like he was accepting a bribe from her in order to destroy his career.

#### **Vocabulary for Comprehension**

*Preview the vocabulary with your students.*

*endorse: to officially say that you support or approve of someone or something*

*smoothie: a thick drink made of fruit and fruit juices that have been mixed together until they are smooth*

*suspend: to make someone leave school, a job, or an organization temporarily because they have broken the rules*

*wannabe: "want to be": someone who wants to be like someone famous*

#### **Answer Key**

*Previewing (Answers may vary—as long as they are appropriate guesses, accept them for now.)*

1. They are a soccer player and a waitress.
2. They are in a health club.
3. He's worried about his soccer career.
4. It's about how a soccer player was tricked by his teammate and the teammate's sister.

#### *In-Depth Viewing*

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| 1. a mess               | 4. he admires Nick                            |
| 2. watch the news on TV | 5. tricked Dean                               |
| 3. Jackie Bishop        | 6. may never play soccer professionally again |



### Video Script

**Patty:** Hey, Nick. It's good to see you again. What can I get for you?

**Nick:** Can I get a large pineapple and strawberry smoothie?

**Patty:** Coming right up. Is everything all right?

**Nick:** My life is a mess! And just when I thought things were going great.

**Patty:** What's the matter? Did you get hurt?

**Nick:** Yeah. I got hurt, but not on the soccer field.

**Patty:** Really?

**Nick:** Yeah. It all started when I agreed to endorse some shoes. Patty, would you mind making it louder? I need to catch up on the news.

**Patty:** No problem.

**Reporter:** . . . let's see if he's got some comments about this scandal. Hey, Dean! Dean! What do you think about the Nick Crawford scandal?

**Dean:** I'm not going to comment until we know more.

**Reporter:** Oh, do you think the soccer federation is going to suspend him from playing?

**Dean:** Well, I really can't say. I'm sure they'll decide as soon as they have more information.

**Reporter:** What kind of information?

**Nick:** Hold on! Do you see that woman? The woman standing behind Dean? That's her!

**Patty:** That's who?

**Nick:** I think that's Jackie Baker—the woman with Kick Shoes!

**Patty:** Jackie Baker. No. That's Jackie Bishop, Dean's sister. She was a member here last year, but I haven't seen her around lately. I'm surprised you never ran into her.

**Dean:** I've always admired Nick Crawford. I'm sure he wouldn't risk ruining his career.

**Nick:** That's her! That's Jackie Baker!

**Patty:** No, I'm pretty sure that's Jackie Bishop.

**Nick:** But there's something different. No glasses. And her hair.

**Patty:** Ah, it's blonde now. But she keeps changing the color. She's a wannabe actress.

**Nick:** A wanna-be actress?

**Patty:** Oh yeah. She's tried out for a lot of movie parts, but I doubt she's actually acted in anything.

**Nick:** Except for the day she took me to lunch. She's a great actress! She should get an Oscar for her performance . . .

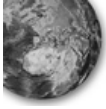
**Jackie:** There you are. Right on time. We've got reservations for lunch.

**Nick:** Great. Where are we going?

**Jackie:** It's a little place just around the corner. We can walk there.

**Nick:** Sounds good.

**Jackie:** Yes. I hate doing business in my office. It's so much more pleasant to talk over a good meal.



**Nick:** Then over lunch, we talked about the deal.

**Jackie:** So, just sign here. It basically says we'll pay you \$50,000 to endorse the shoes.

**Nick:** She tricked me!

**Reporter:** The Nick Crawford scandal is just beginning to unfold, but one thing is clear . . .

**Patty:** Here you go, Nick. On the house. I think you're going to need it.

**Reporter:** . . . he may be suspended and may never play soccer professionally again.