UNIT 9 QUIZ A AUDIO SCRIPT

Listening 1 Exercise A

Jennifer Gabriel! What a nice surprise!

Gabriel Oh, Jennifer. Lovely to see you. It's been a long time.

Jennifer Yes! I haven't seen you and Elena in ages! How is she? What have you guys been up to?

Gabriel Well … I believe we have some news …

Jennifer Oh … Go on.

Gabriel We are moving to Lima.

Jennifer No! Why? I thought you said you would never leave Chicago! So what's changed?

Gabriel Yes, I know. But I've had a job offer that I really can't refuse. I'm going to be a senior architect – and potentially a partner – at this new architecture firm in Lima.

Jennifer Amazing! But how did you get the job?

Gabriel Well, I guess it was just a matter of being in the right place at the right time, really. A few months ago, Elena had a visit from an old friend from college, Olga, who is also an architect. Well, I don't remember exactly what we were talking about, but I wound up telling Olga how frustrated I was working at Baxters and that I was kicking myself for having taken the job.

Jennifer Yeah … I remember you complaining about some incompetent directors you had to work with.

Gabriel Yeah … pretty frustrating … Well, it turned out that Olga was looking for a senior architect for her firm … I had an interview with her and her partners and – *voilà* – they offered me the job.

Jennifer What a wonderful coincidence!

Gabriel I know! I couldn't believe my luck. If Elena hadn't invited Olga over that weekend, I'd still be working at Baxters and feeling very unfortunate.

Jennifer And how does Elena feel about moving back to Lima?

Gabriel Oh, she's delighted. She can't wait to live close to her parents again.