



## Lesson 55: Watching a Boxing Match

### Exercise 01

### Vocabulary

<b>match</b>	(N)	a sports event between two teams or people	His team lost the <b>match</b> .
<b>combat sport</b>	(N)	a fighting sport	Boxing is a very popular <b>combat sport</b> in some countries.
<b>stare at</b>	(PHRASE)	to look at something or someone for a long time without moving your eyes	Everyone <b>stared at</b> his unusual hat.
<b>cheer for</b>	(PHRASE)	to shout loudly, to show support to somebody	Let's <b>cheer for</b> our favorite player.
<b>victory</b>	(N)	a situation in which you win	The team won an easy <b>victory</b> .
<b>champion</b>	(N)	a person who wins a competition	He is the new <b>champion</b> .
<b>overwhelming</b>	(ADJ)	having very strong effect on you	The joy of winning is <b>overwhelming</b> .
<b>deserve</b>	(V)	if you deserve something it means you should have it because of your good or bad actions	He's a hard worker and <b>deserves</b> a promotion.
<b>(be) absorbed in</b>	(PHRASE)	to be very interested in something so that you don't pay attention to other things	I <b>was absorbed</b> in reading this book. You should read it, too.
<b>definitely</b>	(INT)	certainly, of course	Will you go to the party with me tonight? // <b>Definitely!</b>



## Exercise 02

### Dialogue Practice

Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

Matt and Zach are talking about yesterday's Vitali Klitschko's fight.



Matt

Did you watch Klitschko's fight yesterday?



Zach

Of course! I could not miss such a big match. I was really excited, and I couldn't do anything but to stare closely at his every move.



Matt

Me, too. Where did you watch it?



Zach

At home. I was so absorbed in watching the match that I totally forgot to eat my breakfast and lunch. I didn't even notice my son was making a cup noodle and eating it alone. Where did you watch it?



Matt

I watched it at a boxing café, cheering for Vitali with all my friends in a boxing fan club.



Zach

Wow, I know you really love combat sports, especially boxing. I think he deserves all the support from all Ukrainians because he is a true champion.



Matt

Yes, and the pride he gave to all Ukrainians must be overwhelming.





Zach

Exactly! I am sure that people all over Ukraine will give him the warmest welcome to celebrate his victory.



Matt

Definitely!

### Check your understanding:

- Who watched Vitali Klitschko's match at the boxing café?
- Why did Zach forget to eat?
- Why did Matt and Zach think that Klitschko deserves all the support from Ukrainians?

### Exercise 03

## Role Play

Role-play the following situation with your teacher.

### Situation:

- Your brother wants to become a professional boxer.
- Your teacher will be your brother.
- Tell him your opinion or give him advice on how to achieve his dream.

### Exercise 04

## Discussion

- 1) What is the most enjoyable combat sport for you? Why?
- 2) What is the most popular combat sport in your country?
- 3) Do you think boxing is a dangerous sport? Why or why not?
- 4) Have you ever practiced a combat sport? If so, what was it like?
- 5) What are the advantages and disadvantages of doing combat sports?

