

## That Clause after Verbs

Two people talking about sales.

**Intermediate English Sound Grammar**

B1 Lesson 18 Conversation 2



**Part 1:** Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

| 1 | What do they talk about? | 2 | Will it be better or worse this year? | 3 | How was it last year? |
|---|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| a | Sales                    | a | Probably better                       | a | Terrific              |
| b | Production               | b | Probably worse                        | b | Terrible              |
| c | Inventory                | c | Not sure                              | c | Great                 |

**Part 2:** What are the missing words? Use the clue about the number of letters to help you.

|                                                               |   |           |
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| <b>Woman:</b> How do you think sales ____ be this year?       | 1 | 4 letters |
| <b>Man:</b> Good. I think ____ will be better than last year. | 2 | 4 letters |
| <b>Woman:</b> I hope they ____.                               | 3 | 3 letters |
| <b>Man:</b> Yeah, last year ____ terrible.                    | 4 | 3 letters |
| <b>Woman:</b> ____ was.                                       | 5 | 2 letters |
| <b>Man:</b> Well, I'm sure we'll do better ____ year.         | 6 | 4 letters |

**Part 3:** Match the questions with the answers.

|   |                                      |                                    |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | Have you ever sold something?        | I'm going to be a better friend.   |
| 2 | Have you had a good year?            | Yes, my dog died last December.    |
| 3 | Was last year terrible for you?      | Not really, I'm quite pessimistic. |
| 4 | What are you doing better this year? | Yes, this year has been wonderful. |
| 5 | Are you an optimist?                 | Yes, I sold all my jewelry once.   |

**Part 4:** Now it is your turn! What are your answers to these questions? Discuss with a partner.

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**Answer Key**

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