

UNIT 19 REVIEW TEST LISTENING SCRIPT

Speaker: My father was from a poor family. His father was not around for most of his childhood, but my father studied very hard in school and got into a good university. He worked after classes and on weekends to pay for his education. After university, he got a job at a big company.

My father met his future wife at the company, and they got married. They had me in 1983. My mother got very sick a few years later. She died when I was only nine, and our family became just my father and me. We didn't have much money.

But my father's luck started to change not too much longer after that. At work, the manager of his team had to give a very big presentation. But the day before the presentation, she got sick and asked my father to do it instead. He practiced and prepared all night. The next day, just before my father's presentation, the CEO of the company walked into the room. My father became nervous, but gave a great presentation. The CEO appeared at my father's office the next day, and talked to him about his future. My father quickly got more important jobs in the company.

My father is now CEO of the company. He always says, "To be lucky, you need to be prepared." His story is a good example of this.