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To: IELTS Prep Group
Subj: IELTS Speaking lesson 4-13-2017 (level: advanced)

Objective: The aim of this activity is to boost students’ creativity, practice understanding of power words and sharpen their skills of being concise and coherent.

Section One

Power words (Combined): match the word or phrase with the correct meaning and provide an example of its usage in a sentence.

POWER WORD	MEANING
1. Hence (transition word)	A. (Baseball reference) it means that you're rather desperate and running out of time and options.
2. Carp On About (phrasal verb)	B. When something is over, finished or when two or more people are done with one another.
3. By and large (transition word)	C. As a consequence; for this reason. A word used to express result.
4. Face the music (idiom)	D. To think about it carefully; to consider or ponder about it.
5. To say nothing of (transition word)	E. To keep talking about it, to keep complaining about it.
6. To be through (phrasal verb)	F. When everything about a situation is considered together.
7. The bottom of the ninth (Idiom)	G. To endure an unpleasant situation that was created by someone else.
8. Mull (it) over (phrasal verb)	H. To mention an additional thing which gives even more strength to the point you are making.

Section Two

Endings

Directive: The teacher will give an ending from a list of endings to a student and the student has to create a story that matches up with that ending.
The student must include 2 of the learned power words **as minimum** and has up to 3 minutes to speak.

- 1) His bark is worse than his bite.
- 2) And the man cried for 3 days.
- 3) She never knew what she had until she lost it.
- 4) His dog never came back home.
- 5) But in the end the house was empty.
- 6) A lot can change in 3 months.
- 7) The school rejected his request.
- 8) We had to buy a new house.
- 9) Despite what happened, she could never forget what he told her that summer.
- 10) Not everyone gets to have a second chance.
- 11) It would've been much easier if she just told them she didn't have it from the beginning.
- 12) Never again will I trust the stars.
- 13) She wanted to be the change she wants to see in the world.
- 14) He will think thrice next time.