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## Hoops - Introduction by Jonathan Ley & Neil Hepburn

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– Bonjour tout le monde. Je m'appelle Jonathan et j'habite en Écosse.

I'm one of the filmmakers behind the short film Hoops, which is one of the films you'll be watching soon.

And Hoops was made as part of a competition called the 48 Hour Film Project, where you're set the challenge of making a short film in just one weekend.

You have 48 hours to come up with a story, write the script, shoot the film, edit it together, add music, add sound effects and then hand it in. So that sounds like quite a challenge, and it is. But the competition helps you a bit by providing three elements, which all the films that compete have to include.

And in the year that we made Hoops, the elements were a character called Lee Crompton, who's an athlete, a line of dialogue, which is pretty please, and a prop, which is a rock.

So, when you watch Hoops, see if you can spot how we use those elements.

And I didn't make this film on my own. I made it with my friend, Neil. And I'm going to pass you over to Neil in just a second.

But before I go, I want to say that I hope you enjoy the film. I hope it makes you laugh and happy hooping.

So, Neil, over to you.

– Merci, John.

Hello. I'm Neil. I wrote and directed the film along with John.

I also produced the film and John did a beautiful job of editing it, putting it all together at the end. Very well done, John.

We would have nothing if it wasn't for the actors that brought the characters to life so beautifully. And I have two of them with me here today.

So maybe you, guys, would like to introduce yourselves?

– Bonjour. Je m'appelle Robin and I play Lee Crompton in Hoops.

– Je m'appelle Romy and I play Adelina Wolfe in Hoops.

– And if you could pick three words only to describe the film, what would those three words be?

– (Romy) **Competitive, funny and exciting.**

– Very good.

– (Robin) I'd say **entertaining, comedic and athletic.**

– Brilliant. These are all very good descriptive words.

We hope that you really enjoy watching our film.

Maybe you'll have three words to describe it afterwards, which we hope are good words and not words like terrible.

– Horrible. Horrible. Bad. Dreadful. Scary. Scary.

– But yeah, thank you for watching it. We're delighted to be screaming in France.

And yeah. Au revoir. Merci.

– Au revoir. Bye.

– Bye.