Learn English on your Terms

Daily Life - Getting Flowers (C0159)

- A: Hello sir, how may I help you?
- B: I would like to buy some flowers, please. Something really nice.
- A: I see, may I ask whatthe occasion is?
- B: It's not really an occasion, it's more like I'm sorry.
- A: Very well. This arrangement here is very popular among regretful husb ands and boyfriends. It has a dozenlong stem red roses with a couple of sunflowers and a single orchid that stands out. It includes a small teddy bear to achieve the effect of immediate forgiveness.
- B: I think I'm gonna need more than just a dozen red roses and a bear. What else do you recommend?
- A: Mmm, well this is our "I'm sorry I cheated on you" package. Two dozen red roses lined with tulips, carnati ons and lilies. The fragrance and beauty of this flower arrangement is sure to make her forgive you.



I don't think that's gonna cut it. I need something B: bigger and better!

I'm sorry sir but, what exactly did you do? A:

Well, I may have accidentally insinuated that she B: is getting chubbier.

A: Get out of my store you jerk!

Key Vocabulary

occasion	$common noun, \\ singular$	occasion
dozen	$common noun, \\ non-variable$	a word used to describe twelve units
recommend	principle verb, present simple	say something deserves to be chosen
fragrance	$common noun, \\ singular$	a scent or smell
chubby	Adjective	more polite way of calling someone fat

Supplementary Vocabulary



vase	$common \\ singular$	noun,	a container for holding flowers, usually made of glass or porcelain
bouquet	$common \\ singular$	noun,	a bunch of flowers tied together
greenery	$common \\ singular$	noun,	the green plants in a bouquet that are not flowers, such as large leaves
centerpiece	$common \\ singular$	noun,	a decorative object found at the center of a table, usually made of flowers
to suck up	phrase		to flatter someone ex- cessively with words and gifts, in order to get on their good side