

M: Hello English learners! Welcome back to **EnglishPod**! My name is **Marco**.

E: And I'm **Erica**.

M: And we're gonna be looking at our **fifth episode** of our famous love story.

E: Yes, **I'm sorry I love you**.

M: I'm sorry I love you.

E: Part five.

M: Okay. Hehe. Part five. So if you haven't listened to the first four I suggest you go do that first, because...

E: You're gonna be a little bit lost.

M: But it's getting really good.

E: Yeah, and so so good that I don't think we can even say what...

M: What's gonna happen next. Hehe.

E: No, we can't say what the key language is.

M: Oh, yeah, we can't preview anything because it's... we want to surprise you.

E: Yes.

M: But we can tell you this, wha... what's going on?

E: Last time we saw Veronica and Steven, um, they broke up, right?

M: Right.

E: And Veronica was with her friend and feeling really terrible and then Steven suddenly came to sing a beautiful song.

M: So this is continuing on that.

E: Right.

M: Okay. So let's listen to the dialogue and then we'll come back and talk about some of the difficult vocabulary you might find.

DIALOGUE, FIRST TIME

M: Alright, so more drama in our love story.

E: Oh my god.

M: Thing were going well and now more bad news.

E: Yeah, or good news.

M: Or good news.

E: I...

M: We're not sure yet.

E: Yeah.

M: Okay, let's take a look at the vocabulary first in "**language takeaway**".

Voice: Language takeaway.

E: Well, we're gonna looking four words now, um, the firs one, **blaze**.

M: Blaze.

E: Blaze.

M: Blaze.

E: So this noun is, um, another word for a fire, right?

M: For a big fire.

E: A really big fire.

M: Uhu, the blaze.

E: Uhu.

M: So basically it's like a flame of the fire.

E: Yes, this one is a little bit difficult, so I think we can use some examples to show us how to use this word.

Voice: Example one.

A: The blaze is spreading quickly, we need to evacuate these people.

Voice: Example two.

B: We have to go in there and save those people from the blaze.

M: Okay, so, it's clear now, blaze.

E: Uhu.

M: Let's look at our next word, **conceived**.

E: Conceived.

M: The past of **conceive**.

E: Right, conceive.

M: Conceive is a nice fancy word.

E: Yes, and what does it mean, Marco?

M: To create.

E: Oh, like how you side stepped.

M: So, it means to create. You can conceive a baby.

E: Yes.

M: You can conceive an idea.

E: Yes.

M: So, it basically means to create.

E: Yes, um, most commonly with the baby, okay.

M: Yeah, yeah, conceive. So, after the baby was conceived.

E: Yep.

M: We have a **due date**.

E: Yes.

M: We all know that it's nine months later.

E: Yes.

M: Approximately.

E: Yep, due date.

M: So, the due date is the date of birth, basically.

E: It's the doctor's guess when the birth would be.

M: Would be.

E: Yeah.

M: Okay.

E: When you go to the doctor and say "when will my baby be born", he'll... he'll say "well, your **due date** is... bla-bla-bla".

M: Nine months latter.

E: Yeah.

M: Okay. And our last word in language takeaway, **accurate**.

E: Accurate.

M: Accurate.

E: Accurate.

M: Now, the due dates aren't accurate.

E: Right.

M: That means they're not **one hundred percent sure**.

E: Uhu.

M: Or **precise**.

E: Yes. So, when something is accurate it's **absolutely certain**.

M: Absolutely precise.

E: Yes.

M: One hundred percent. Okay, so, accurate. Let's listen to some more examples of how we can use **accurate**.

Voice: Example one.

A: A blood test is the most accurate way of finding out if you're pregnant.

Voice: Example two.

B: These reports are not accurate, John. We checked and discovered a lot of mistakes.

Voice: Example three.

C: This new software helps us calculate costs in a very accurate way.

M: With those examples I think we're ready to listen to this dialogue again. This time we're gonna slow it down, right?

E: Yeah, in case you, um, were so shocked by what happened that you couldn't follow.

DIALOGUE, SECOND TIME (slow)

M: Alright, so continuing on without drama, let's take a look at some interesting phrases in **"fluency builder"**.

Voice: Fluency builder.

E: Well, we've got three phrases for you, um, the first one is **the middle of nowhere**.

M: Middle of nowhere.

E: Middle of nowhere.

M: Middle of nowhere.

E: This is, ah, kind of a funny one, but, um, I think if we listen to some examples, it will help us to understand the meaning of this phrase.

Voice: Example one.

A: We are in the middle of nowhere. How can we find our way back home?

Voice: Example two.

B: I was in the middle of nowhere, so I couldn't even use my mobile phone.

Voice: Example three.

C: It takes me two hours to drive to your house. It's in the middle of nowhere!

M: Alright, so middle of nowhere, it means that you're lost.

E: Yeah, you're in a... in a place with no cities or people or anything nearby.

M: Okay, so... just imagine yourself in the desert. That would be the middle of nowhere.

E: Yes, or, ah, in Canada.

M: In Canada. Hehe.

E: That would be the middle of nowhere.

M: Alright, let's take a look at our next phrase, **first thing in the morning**.

E: First thing in the morning.

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E: First thing in the morning.

M: So, when we talk about the first thing it means...

E: Really really early in the morning.

M: Really early.

E: Yep.

M: So. I can change it a little bit and say, **first thing in the afternoon**.

E: Early in the afternoon.

M: Or **first thing tomorrow morning**.

E: Right.

M: Right?

E: So, really early tomorrow.

M: Okay. So, it's a very common way of referring to "very early".

E: Yeah, it's not like... first thing in the morning is like six o'clock in the morning, right?

M: Right.

E: But if you say "okay, I'll take care of that first thing in the morning", you'll do it right away in the morning.

M: Right away.

E: Uhu.

M: Right when you get to the office ???.

E: Right.

M: Okay. Let's look at our last phrase, **seems to be in order**.

E: Seems to be in order.

M: Everything seems to be in order.

E: Uhu, so, everything is okay, everything's normal.

M: Everything seems to be normal.

E: Yep.

M: Everything looks okay.

E: Yes.

M: So, this is a very common phrase when... people check your documents...

E: Aha, yeah, that's true.

M: Or the reports.

E: Yep.

M: Ah, they'll say "okay, all the papers seem to be in order".

E: Uhu.

M: Very common.

E: Yes, good news when you pregnant that everything seems to be in order.

M: Exactly.

E: Yeah.

M: Everything is normal. Alright, so let's listen to this dramatic dialogue one more time and we'll come back and talk some more.

DIALOGUE, THIRD TIME

E: Well, Marco, um, what do you think about the situation? Wha... what would you do if you were this guy?

M: It's complicated.

E: I know.

M: Ah, I don't know what I would do. It seems like something, ah, very typical of **soap operas**.

E: Yes.

M: Hehe. Well, I don't know because she didn't really deny it...

E: Uhu.

M: In the end. She didn't say, **no**, right away.

E: Yeah, and... but she didn't say like... **oh**.

M: Yeah, she didn't really accept it.

E: Yeah.

M: So, it still a little bit difficult to see if maybe she **cheated on** him.

E: Yes.

M: Or something.

E: Hey, guys, what do you think? Do you think Veronica cheated on Steven?

M: Do you think is his baby? Maybe it's not. Maybe the doctor is wrong.

E: Maybe it's the doctor's baby.

M: Maybe it's... Hehe.

E: Hehe.

M: Anything could happen here at **EnglishPod**, so send us your ideas and tell us what you think happens next... Ah, come to [englishpod.com](https://www.englishpod.com) where you can leave your questions, your comments.

E: Yeah, and Marco and I are always around to, ah, answer your questions, respond your comments.

M: Exactly and we want to know what you think will happen next.

E: Yes.

M: Alright guys, so until next time... Bye!

E: Bye!