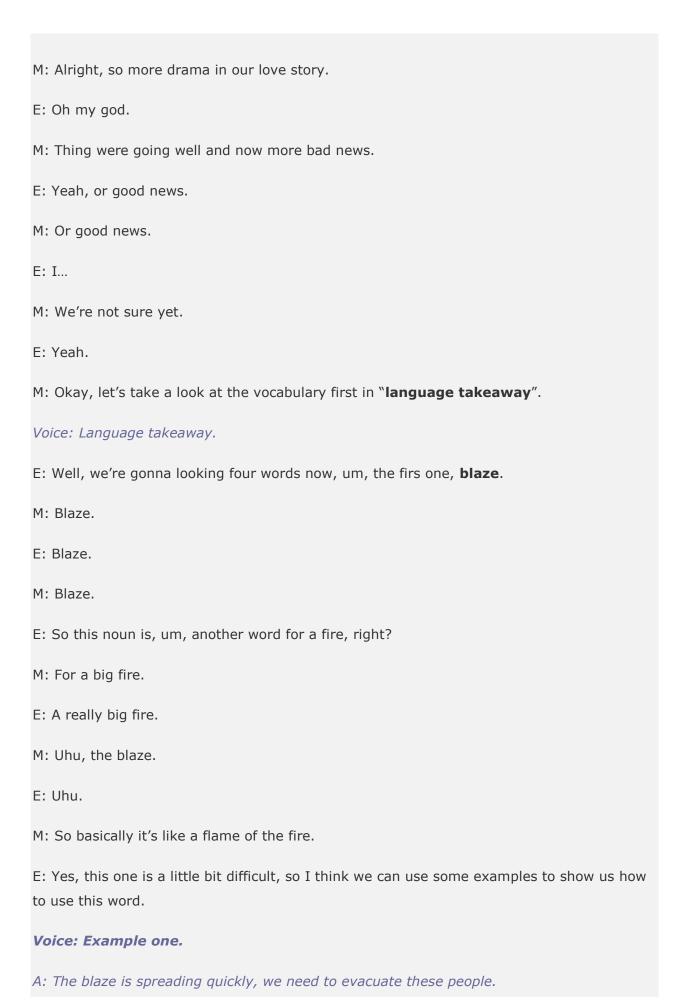
M: Hello English learners! Welcome back to **EnglishPod**! My name is **Marco**. E: And I'm Erica. M: And we're gonna be looking at our **fifth episode** of our famous love story. E: Yes, I'm sorry I love you. M: I'm sorry I love you. E: Part five. M: Okay. Hehe. Part five. So if you haven't listened 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

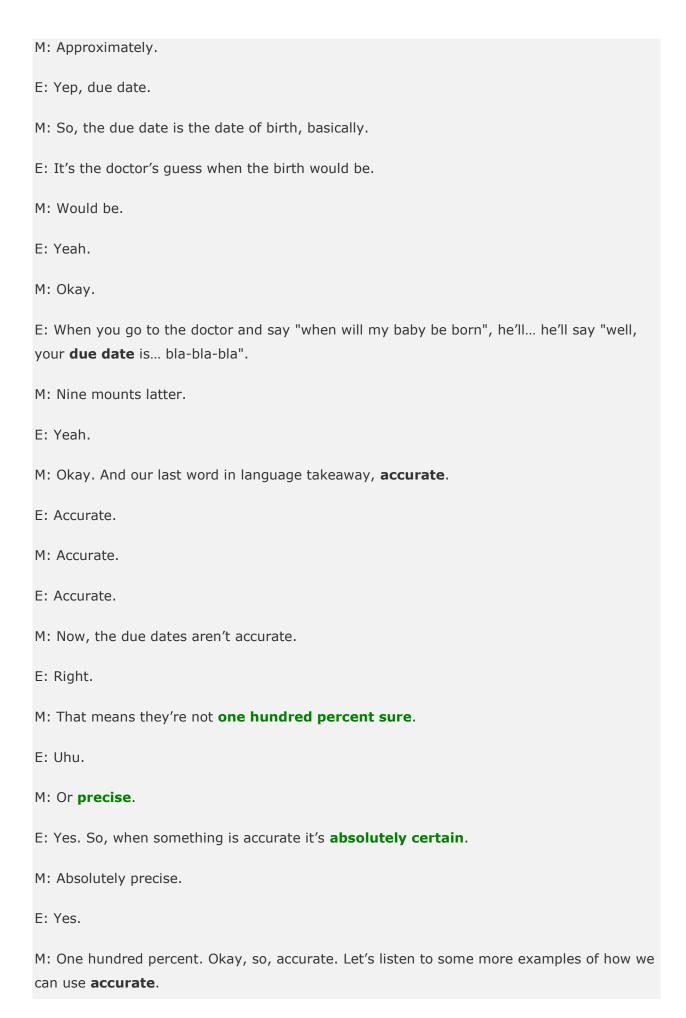
DIALOGUE, FIRST TIME

difficult vocabulary you might find.



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 mounts later.

E: Yes.



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?

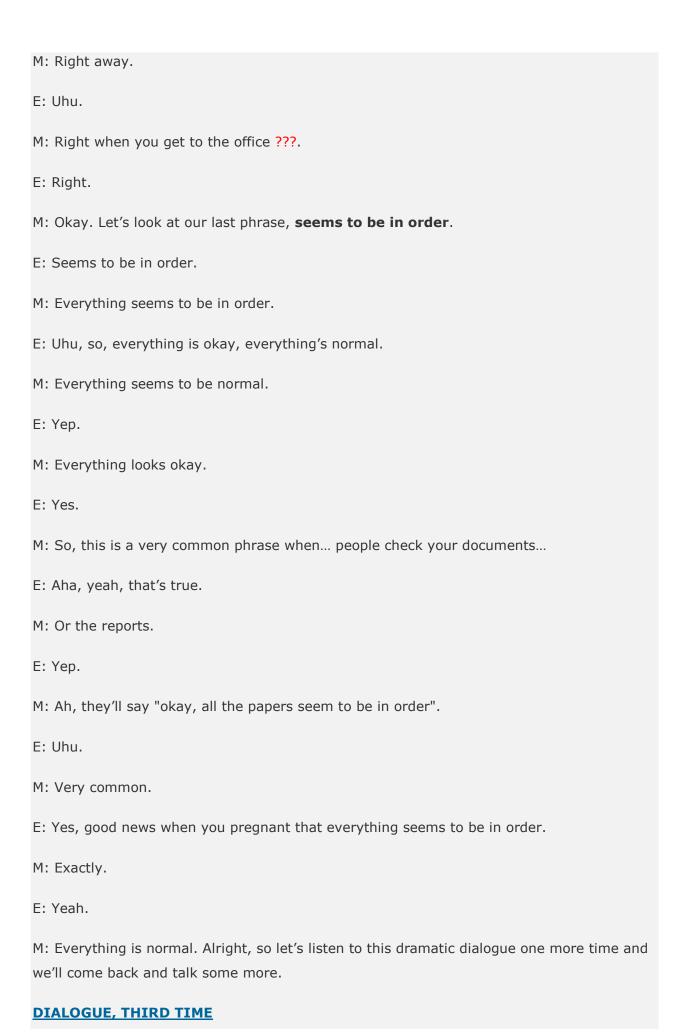
Voice: Example two.

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!

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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 dessert. 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.
M: First thing in the morning.
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.
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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** 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!