

Worksheet

The story so far

In the last episode Rich consoled Katie after an upsetting encounter with her ex-boyfriend, Mark, in the club. Rich kissed Katie and admitted he finds her attractive. Katie feels terrible about what happened and wants to talk to Sal.



Listening

1. Listen to the episode once and answer these questions.

1. Where does Katie hope Mark is now?
2. How long have Sal and Rich been going out together?
3. How will marrying Rich help Sal to be able to stay in the US?

2. Now listen again and tick the phrases you hear.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Really? I can't believe it! | <input type="checkbox"/> I don't know how to say this... but I've got news. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> There's something I've been meaning to tell you. | <input type="checkbox"/> That's great news! |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have to tell you something too. | <input type="checkbox"/> I've got some important news. |

Language: Making an announcement and expressing surprise

Put all the sentences from listening activity two into the correct columns. Some are to make announcements and some are to express surprise.

Making an announcement	Expressing surprise

Now add some more of your own phrases to the table.

Worksheet

Choose one of the following situations to role play in pairs. One of you has the news to tell and the other is a good friend or relative. Be sure to use some of the phrases from the table above.



- You've got engaged to be married.
- You're leaving the country to live abroad.
- You've just got a new job.
- You've won \$1,000,000 in the lottery.

Speaking

1. Do you think Sal wants to marry Rich just to get the papers so she can stay in the US?
2. How do you think Katie feels when Sal tells her the news?
3. Do you think Katie is right not to confess to Sal about the kiss? What would you do in Katie's situation?
4. When was the last time you made an important announcement or somebody told you some important news? Was it good or bad news?

Transcript

SAL: Katie, do you have a minute?

KATIE: What...? Oh, yeah. Hi Sal.

SAL: Is everything all right?

KATIE: Fine... everything's fine.

SAL: I mean... Rich told me you took a couple of days off and you're not talking to anyone.

KATIE: Nothing. I'm just worried about Mark I guess.

SAL: Oh, I know. What a *nightmare*. Have you heard from him since Rich threw him out of the club?

KATIE: No. I hope he's gone back to England but I really don't want to think about it anymore.

SAL: Well, there's something I've been meaning to tell you.

KATIE: Me too. I have to tell you something too.

SAL: Okay. You go first.

KATIE: No, you started.

SAL: Okay, you know Rich and I have been together for almost two years now.

KATIE: Yes...

SAL: And he's great, isn't he great?

KATIE: Yes...

SAL: And you know I want to stay here, but I don't have papers, right?

KATIE: Errr...yes.

SAL: Well... last night I asked Rich to *marry me!*

KATIE: You WHAT????

SAL: I asked him to marry me. I know it's not traditional, but who cares? And do you know what he said?

KATIE: Errr... what did he say?

SAL: He said YES! And I wanted YOU to be the first person to know. So, what do you think? Me and Rich, husband and wife! Can you BELIEVE it?

KATIE: Wow. No, I mean... yes. That's great news. I'm glad for you.

SAL: You look a little pale.

KATIE: NO...no. That's great.

SAL: OK. Phew. That felt good. To tell someone. Now your turn. What did you want to tell me?

KATIE: Nothing. I can't remember now.

SAL: Well, I'm sure it will come back. Anyway, I'm soooo happy. I think it's the best decision I ever made. Don't you Katie? I mean, you made the decision to come here, I made the decision to get married. It's going to be great!

KATIE: Yeah...



Answers

Listening

1. Katie hopes Mark has gone back to England.
 2. Sal and Rich have been going out together for two years.
 3. If Sal and Rich get married, Sal will get her papers so she can stay in the US.
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