



# 1. Say Sorry

Read the dialogue, and practice with a partner.

A: Sorry I didn't call last night.

B: That's okay.

A: I got busy cleaning the house.

B: That's understandable. You had a busy week.

A: Yes. Thanks for understanding.

**B**: I went to sleep early anyway.



## 2. Say Sorry

Complete the dialogue, and practice with a partner.

<b>A</b> : Why d	idn't you call last night?
B:	I forgot.
A: Forgot	! I waited all night for your call.
<b>B</b> : I	Please forgive me.
A: Okay, but please don't forget again.	
<b>B</b> : I won't. I promise. I'm so	

## 3. I'm So Sorry

Change the information in bold to another situation. Practice again.

A: I'm so sorry I "forgot your birthday".

B: You always "forget my birthday."

A: I know. I apologize. How can I make it up to you?

**B**: "Take me out for dinner" tonight.

A: I'm sorry. I'm "working" tonight.

**B**: No problem. "Take me out" some other time.

### Other Ways to Say Sorry:

I apologize
Oopsie (informal, childish)

I feel really bad My bad (slang)

I didn't mean to That was my fault







### 4. Pronunciation Practice

Listen to your teacher say these words and phrases. Mark the syllables with slashes. Mark the stressed sounds with a circle.

1 Sorry

3 No problem.

(5) I didn't mean to.

2 It's okay.

4 Oopsie

# 5. Responding to an apology

It's okay. No problem. I'm okay with that.

That's okay. Don't worry about it. I'm partly to blame.

No worries. I understand. It was just an accident.

## 6. Choose the Best Response

Circle the best response in each question.

- 1) Sorry I ate the last chocolate.
  - a) That's okay.
  - b) Dark chocolate.
  - c) It's tasty.
- 2 You didn't call me this morning.
  - d) This morning.
  - e) I will call you.
  - f) Sorry, I forgot.
- 3 I apologize for my mistake.
  - g) That's okay. We all make mistakes.
  - h) Sometimes.
  - i) They are no problem.

- 4 I feel really bad that I hit your car.
  - ) I'm sorry about that.
  - k) Feel better soon.
  - I) It was just an accident
- 5 I didn't mean to hurt your feelings.
  - m) No worries. I'm fine now.
  - n) I'm okay with her.
  - o) Thank you for coming.





### **Answer Key**

### Description:

Student review language and useful expressions for saying sorry. They practice different ways of saying sorry and responding to an apology.

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#### Exercise 1. Read out loud or in pairs.

#### Exercise 2. Answers may vary.

A: Why didn't you call last night?

B: Sorry. I forgot.

A: Forgot! I waited all night for your call.

B: I apologize. Please forgive me.

A: Okay, but please don't forget again.

B: I won't. I promise. I'm so sorry.

#### Exercise 3. Individual answers.

#### Exercise 4. Pronunciation Practice

- 1. Solrry
- 2. It's/ O/kay.
- 3. No/ PRO/blem.
- 4. 00P/sie
- 5. I /did/nt / MEAN/ to.

### Exercise 6. Choose the Best Response

- 1. a
- 2. €
- **3**. *a*
- 4. €
- **5**. a

