

Apologizing





Mike: I have something to tell you, but I'm afraid you might get angry.

Mark: Why what's the matter?

Mike: Remember last week, I borrowed a book from you?

Mark: Yes. It was my Grammar book.

Mike: I'm afraid I lost it. Don't worry, I'll replace it.

Mark: Well, it really doesn't matter that much. Don't give it a second thought.

Mike: Really? You mean I'm forgiven. Thank you very much.

Mark: I have no choice though. The damage has been done.

Expressions for Apologizing:

- I'm sorry, but...
- I'm sorry for...
- I apologize for...

- I'd like to apologize for...
- Forgive me, but...
- Please accept my apology...



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Accepting an Apology:

- Well, it doesn't matter that much.
- Don't give it a second thought.
- It really wasn't that important.
- It's okay.
- It's not a big deal.
- No problem.

Let's Practice:

- You broke the camera that you borrowed from your friend. What will you tell her?
- You fall in line at the cashier's counter and you accidentally step on a person's foot. How will you apologize?
- Your best friend lost the bicycle that he borrowed from you. He apologizes. What would you tell him?