

**Cindy:** Where were you last night?

**Mabelle:** What do you mean?

**Cindy:** We're supposed to meet at 7 for a drink.

**Mabelle:** Really?

**Cindy:** Yes, don't you remember?

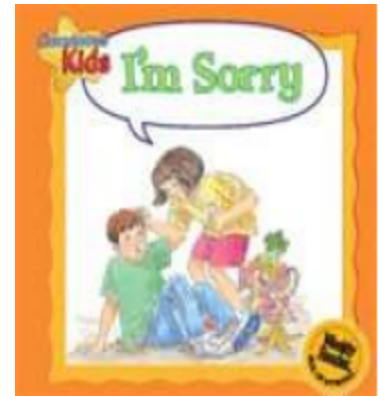
We planned it last Monday.

**Mabelle:** Oh my gosh! I forgot I'm sorry.

**Cindy:** I can't believe you forgot.

**Mabelle:** I'm really sorry about it.

**Cindy:** Well, whatever your reason is, it won't turn back the time.



### Apologizing

I'm sorry. Excuse me.

I'm sorry, but I am afraid I broke your vase.

I'm sorry, but I seem to have lost that book you lent me.

I think I've broken your watch. I'm sorry, but it was an accident.

I'm sorry for being late. I couldn't help it.

I apologize for hurting your feeling. I didn't do it on purpose.

I'd like to apologize for being so abrupt yesterday.

### Accepting an apology- Gracefully

Oh, that's all right.

Don't worry about it.

Well, it doesn't matter that much.

It really wasn't that important.

No problem.

Don't give it a second thought.

### Accepting an apology-Angrily

You what?

I can't believe you did that!

How could you?

I don't believe it! Save your breath.

**What will you do in the following situations?**

**Feel free to use the expressions found on the first page.**

## I

**You were supposed to meet your friend at the theater yesterday at 6:30 p.m., to see a movie. You waited in front of the theater for over an hour but your friend didn't show up. You're feeling rather angry and want to find out why your friend stood you up?**

## II

**Last night when you were on your way home, you accidentally ran over your neighbor's cat. You haven't had the nerve to tell your neighbor yet, but you know you will have to sooner or later.**

## III

**You lent your video camera to your friend who wanted to videotape a wedding. Today you are meeting your friend for coffee and are expecting your camera to be returned.**