

## Series 2 Episode 3

### Harry's New Girlfriend

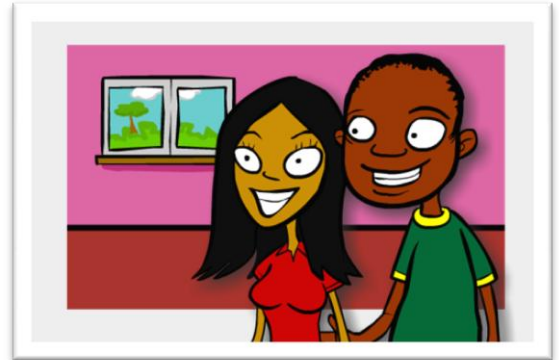
#### Introduction

This support pack accompanies:

#### Big City Small World – Series 2 Episode 3

This support pack contains the following materials:

- Before you listen
- Audio script
- Comprehension Task
- Vocabulary Task
- Grammar Task



#### Before you listen

We suggest you do the vocabulary activity below before you listen. Then listen to the episode and do the first task to check your understanding. Finally, practise some vocabulary and grammar.

Match the words and phrases in the boxes to the definitions.

1. space	2. campaign	3. journalist	4. serious
5. banner	6. treat	7. regulars	8. interior design

#### Definitions:

- a. important, not trivial
- b. a long poster, usually made of cloth, with a slogan
- c. reporter
- d. the people who often go to a restaurant, café, shop, etc...
- e. a planned series of events designed to change something
- f. the amount of room in an area
- g. the art of decorating the inside of a building such as a house or office
- h. something special that you buy or make for someone

## Audio script

**Fadi:** Hello Tony! How are you?

**Tony:** Alright, I suppose.

**Fadi:** Good to hear you sounding so happy! Hey, where is everyone?

**Tony:** Everyone who?

**Fadi:** You know, the regulars – Olivia, Sarah, Harry, Magda...

**Tony:** Don't know. They'll probably come in sooner or later. They're always here.

**Fadi:** Hello!

**Bindyu:** Oh. Er, hello.

**Fadi:** I haven't seen you in here before.

**Bindyu:** No. I haven't been in here before.

**Fadi:** That's probably why then!

**Bindyu:** Er, I don't understand...

**Fadi:** Er, ok, well, never mind then. Listen, can I get you a drink? Would you like a coffee or something?

**Bindyu:** Erm, well, that's very kind of you, but no thanks.

**Fadi:** Go on! Have something! My treat! You can't sit here not eating or drinking anything.

**Bindyu:** Actually, I'm waiting for my boyfriend.

**Fadi:** Oh. Late, is he?

**Bindyu:** Well, only a little bit...

**Fadi:** You can talk to me if he doesn't show up!

**Harry:** Hello there!

**Fadi / Bindyu:** Hi!

**Harry:** I see you two have already met each other...

**Bindyu:** Oh no, not really...

**Fadi:** No, I was just being polite, y'know...

**Harry:** Sure! Fadi, let me introduce Bindyu.

**Fadi:** Nice to meet you.

**Bindyu:** Nice to meet you.

**Harry:** Bindyu's my girlfriend.

**Fadi:** Oh, er. Great! How long have you been together?

**Bindyu:** Oh, not long, only a couple of weeks.

**Fadi:** You didn't tell me you had a new girlfriend, Harry!

**Harry:** Well, I haven't seen you for a few weeks.

**Fadi:** No, of course. I was visiting my family... so, what's happening here?

**Harry:** The big news is that they're trying to close the café!

**Fadi:** No!

**Harry:** Yes, and Olivia's shop too.

**Fadi:** That's terrible! Why?

**Harry:** A big building company are building new flats behind here. They want to knock down the café and Olivia's shop to make more space.

**Fadi:** Oh no... What can we do to stop them?

**Harry:** Well, we've got a few ideas. There's a guy who comes in here sometimes called Carlos – he works for the builders. He might help us. And Sarah and Olivia said they had some ideas...

**Fadi:** We should start a campaign!

**Bindyu:** Good idea! I'm a journalist. I could write something in the local newspaper.

**Harry:** Erm, I thought you wrote for interior design magazines...

**Bindyu:** Well, yes, I do, that's true. But I know somebody who works for the local newspaper. And I want to do more serious journalism...

**Fadi:** Sounds like a great idea! Good luck! I think we should put a banner in the window of the café...

**Harry:** A banner?

**Fadi:** Yeah, you know – a big sign that says "Save Our Café!" or something like that...

**Olivia:** Hello all!

**Fadi:** Hey! Good to see you again!

**Olivia:** Yeah... you too! How's it going?

**Fadi:** Great – I'm going to put a banner in the café window – "Save Our Café!"

**Olivia:** Good idea... can you save my shop too?

**Fadi:** Let's hope so! Bindyu's going to write an article in the local newspaper...

**Olivia:** Bindyu?

**Bindyu:** Hello! I'm Bindyu... I'm Harry's girlfriend... I'm a journalist.

**Olivia:** OK, great, nice to meet you!

**Carlos:** **Hi!**

**Olivia:** Here's Carlos! He's going to help us too!

**Carlos:** Well, I don't know, I'd like to help, but I'm not sure what I can do...

**Harry:** You make **food for the** builders, don't you?

**Carlos:** Yes, I do.

**Olivia:** You could put poison in it!

**Carlos:** Erm, well, no, I really don't think...

**Olivia:** Only joking!

**Carlos:** I was looking for Sarah – is she here?

**Olivia:** No, I think she's coming in with Magda later... why?

**Carlos:** Oh, no reason... I just wanted to see her...

**Olivia:** I see... oh look, here they are now!

**Magda / Sarah:** Hello everyone!

**All:** Hi!

**Sarah:** Hi Carlos! Good to see you again!

**Carlos:** Hi!

**Sarah:** Listen everybody, Magda's got some good news!

**Magda:** Yes – I got my master's degree with a distinction!

**All:** Wow! Well done!

**Harry:** So you get a well-paid, full-time job with the architects!

**Magda:** Yes I do!

**Sarah:** Which means we can afford to stay in our expensive flat...

**Magda:** There's only one problem, though...

**Olivia:** Oh? What's that?

**Magda:** I'm not really sure how to tell you this...

**Olivia:** Go on!

**Magda:** Well, the architects I work for...

**Harry:** Yeah? Go on!

**Magda:** They have a big new project...

**Fadi:** Sounds interesting...

**Magda:** And they want me to work on it...

**Harry:** Even better...

**Magda:** Well, not really – you see, the project they want me to work on...

**Olivia:** Yes?

**Magda:** It's the new luxury flats... the building here...the people who want to close the café and your shop!

## Comprehension Task

### Select what's correct

Listen to the episode and choose the correct words.

1. Bindyu is Fadi's / Harry's girlfriend.
2. Fadi has been visiting his family / girlfriend.
3. Fadi suggests starting a campaign / demonstration.
4. Bindyu is an editor / a journalist.
5. Sarah is pleased / annoyed to see Carlos.
6. Magda / Olivia has got a distinction in her degree.

## Vocabulary Task

### Match up

Match the words with a word from the box to make eight common expressions that were used in the recording.

*there joking really idea mind treat course thanks*

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| 1. Never _____ | 5. Not _____  |
| 2. My _____    | 6. Of _____   |
| 3. No _____    | 7. Only _____ |
| 4. Hello _____ | 8. Good _____ |

## Grammar Task

### Gap Fill

Fill the gaps in the sentences from the recording.

1. I haven't seen you \_\_\_\_\_ here before.
2. I'm waiting \_\_\_\_\_ my boyfriend.
3. That's very kind \_\_\_\_\_ you.
4. They want to knock \_\_\_\_\_ the café.
5. I know somebody who works \_\_\_\_\_ the local newspaper.
6. I'm going to put a banner \_\_\_\_\_ the café window.
7. You make food \_\_\_\_\_ the builders, don't you?
8. Nice \_\_\_\_\_ meet you!
9. I was looking \_\_\_\_\_ Sarah – is she here?
10. I got my master's degree \_\_\_\_\_ a distinction.

Hint! Use these prepositions:

*in with of to down for*

## Answers

Before you listen: 1 - f - 2 - e - 3 - c - 4 - d - 5 - h - 6 - h - 7 - d - 8 - g  
 Comprehension Task: 1 - Harry's, 2 - family, 3 - campaign, 4 - journalist, 5 - pleased, 6 - Magda  
 Vocabulary Task: 1 - Never mind, 2 - My treat, 3 - No thanks, 4 - Hello there, 5 - Not really, 6 - Of course, 7 - Only joking, 8 - Good idea  
 Grammar Task: 1 - in, 2 - for, 3 - of, 4 - down, 5 - for, 6 - in, 7 - for, 8 - to, 9 - for, 10 - with