

Big City Small World S3 E11 – Time is Money



Introduction

This support pack accompanies:

Big City Small World – Series 3 Episode 11

To listen to the recording, go to:

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This support pack contains the following materials:

1. Before you listen: Vocabulary match up
2. Audio script
3. Comprehension Task
4. Grammar Task 1
5. Grammar Task 2
6. Vocabulary 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 their definitions.

a) shareholder (n.)	b) to pop in (v.)	c) old-fashioned (adj.)
d) You're in there (expression)	e) to approve (v.)	f) lovely (adj.)

Definitions:

1. A person who owns shares in a company
2. Not modern
3. To say that something is good or correct
4. To go into a place for a short time
5. Very nice
6. To have a good chance of success, especially with love

Transcript

Johnny: Hey, Fadi! How's it going?

Fadi: Fine, thanks, Johnny. How are you?

Johnny: Good, but busy, busy, busy, as always. Time is money – you know what I mean?

Fadi: Oh yes, I do, I do. I'm a businessman myself, don't forget!

Johnny: How could I? I'm one of your major shareholders!

Olivia: Hello, everyone!

Johnny: Hi there!

Fadi: Come and sit over here!

Olivia: Just popped in to see Harry and Bindyu.

Fadi: Not me?

Olivia: I see quite enough of you!

Fadi: You can never have too much.

Johnny: What's going on with Harry and Bindyu?

Olivia: Bindyu was taking Harry to meet her parents last night – for the first time. She was really nervous about it.

Johnny: Why was she so nervous? Harry's a nice guy.

Olivia: Well, she says her parents are very traditional, quite old-fashioned. They might not approve of her having a boyfriend.

Johnny: I see.

Olivia: And here they are!

Harry: Hi!

Bindyu: Hello all!

Olivia: Hello there, you two! So ...?

Bindyu: So ... what?

Olivia: Come on! Tell all – how did it go?

Bindyu: With my parents?

Johnny: Yeah!

Bindyu: Oh! So everyone knows now, do they?

Olivia: You know how it is ...

Harry: Well, there's not much to know really – Bindyu's family are all lovely people – very friendly, very welcoming.

Bindyu: Yeah! Everything went fine. They really liked Harry, and were pleased for me.

Olivia: There! I told you there'd be no problem!

Fadi: Sounds like you're in there, mate!

Harry: Hope so ... I'm thinking of popping the question!

Fadi/Johnny: No! Seriously?

Harry: Yeah! I want to ask her to marry me ...

Comprehension Task 1

Decide whether these statements are true or false.

1. Fadi and Johnny are both businessmen.
2. Olivia has come into the café to see Fadi.
3. Harry took Bindyu to meet his parents the previous night.
4. Harry likes Bindyu's family.
5. Bindyu's family like Harry.
6. Harry has asked Bindyu to marry him.

Grammar Task 1

We use tag questions to confirm our understanding of something. Look at these sentences.

*So everyone knows now, do they?
He isn't going to ask her now, is he?
She will say yes, won't she?*

Put the tag questions in the correct sentences.

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| a) will she? | b) can't I? | c) won't she? | d) did they? |
| e) haven't they? | f) don't you? | g) isn't she? | h) is she? |

- 1 You like him,
- 2 She isn't sad,
- 3 I can come,
- 4 She won't tell anybody,
- 5 She will marry him,
- 6 She is in love with him,
- 7 They didn't tell him,
- 8 They have bought the wedding present,

Grammar Task 2

We use tag questions to confirm our understanding. Use the right auxiliary verb in the negative form if the question is positive, and the positive form if the question is negative.

1. You've met her parents,?
2. She isn't very happy,?
3. You won't come,?
4. He paid you back,?
5. He hasn't found a job yet,?
6. You can speak French,?
7. We will get our money back,?
8. They didn't go to Poland,?

Vocabulary Task

Match the two sides of these expressions from the recording.

on? going? too much of a good thing.
how it is. money. go? there!

- 1 How's it
- 2 Time is
- 3 You can never have
- 4 What's going
- 5 How did it
- 6 You know
- 7 You're in

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Answers

Pre-listening:

1. d; 2. c; 3. f; 4. b; 5. a; 6. e.

Comprehension Task 1:

1. T; 2. F; 3. F; 4. T; 5. T; 6. F

Grammar Task 1:

1. f; 2. h; 3. b; 4. a; 5. c; 6. g; 7. d; 8. e

Grammar Task 2:

1. haven't you; 2. is she; 3. will you; 4. didn't he;
5. has he; 6. can't you 7. won't we; 8. did they

Vocabulary Task:

1 How's it going?; 2. Time is money.; 3. You can never have too much of a good thing.; 4. What's going on?; 5. How did it go?; 6. You know how it is.; 7. You're in there!