

The Road Less Travelled

Episode 2: The ice-cream commercial

The story so far:

Katie did Sal a favour a while ago by taking her place at an audition. To everyone's surprise she got the job and now the day has arrived to shoot the commercial.



Listening

1. Complete the sentences with the correct names of the characters: Katie, Michael or Chuck?

- _____ is a good motivator.
- _____ is a fast learner.
- _____ is an impatient director.

2. Now listen again and put the sentences in the correct order.

- a) Katie's acting gets better.
- b) Chuck wonders why they hired Katie.
- c) Michael invites Katie for coffee.
- d) Katie doesn't say her line naturally.
- e) Michael tells Katie he had sent the flowers.
- f) Michael gives Katie some good advice.

Language

3. Look at these lines from this episode and choose a word or phrase from the box below that you could use instead of *really*.

Are you sure?

very/so

Wow!

actually

- 1. Mmm, it's **really** delicious!
- 2. Did we **really** choose her?
- 3. **Really**? That would be fantastic.
- 4. **Really**? I wrote one.

Work in pairs. One of you is Katie and one of you is Michael. Imagine the conversation they have when they go for coffee. Write your dialogue and try to include at least two different uses of 'really'.

Discussion

- How do you think Katie feels at the end of the shoot?
- Do you think Chuck will really phone Katie to offer her another job?
- What do you think Michael's note on the flowers said?
- Why do you think the note wasn't on the flowers when they arrived at the club?

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Transcript

- CHUCK: Vanilla dream ice-cream, take one!
- KATIE: Mmm, it's really delicious!
- CHUCK: Did we really choose her? Say it like you mean it babe! You've only got three words to say, so say 'em right!
- KATIE: OK, oh, sorry.
- CHUCK: Vanilla dream ice-cream, take two!
- KATIE: Mmm, it's really delicious!
- CHUCK: Oh my, oh my... this is unbelievable!
- MM: It's OK Chuck, relax, let me have a word with Katie. Hey, Katie, you're doing well. Look, don't worry about him, he loves being tough on actors. Look – take a deep breath, relax and try to ... keep it natural. They want your accent Katie, just your normal, charming English accent.
- KATIE: OK, right, yeah... thanks. Relax, natural, OK.
- MM: Just try to relax. Forget the cameras are even here.
- CHUCK: OK, can we take it from the top please? Vanilla dream ice-cream, take three!
- KATIE: Mmm, it's really delicious!
- CHUCK: OK, hmm, not bad, yeah... OK... that's it, it's a wrap!
- KATIE: Great. I can go then?
- CHUCK: Yeah babe. That's it. We'll call you if anything else comes up.
- KATIE: Really? That would be fantastic.
- MM: Katie, I knew you could do it. You're a natural!
- KATIE: Thanks Michael, I couldn't have done it without you.
- MM: By the way, did you get the flowers I sent you?
- KATIE: You sent them?
- MM: Of course.
- KATIE: There wasn't a note...
- MM: Really? I wrote one. The flower company must have forgotten it. Hmm.
- KATIE: Well, I did get them and they were gorgeous. Thanks a lot.
- MM: No problem, my pleasure. Have you got time for a coffee?
- KATIE: Sure. Let's go!



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Answer key

Listening

1. Michael – Katie – Chuck
2. d, b, f, a, e, c
3. 1) very / so
2) actually
3) Wow!
4) Are you sure?

