

Emily in Paris (2.07)

The Cook, the Thief, Her Ghost, and His Lover

These activities are designed to be used with a partner or group after watching the full episode on Netflix. However, it may be useful to take notes while you are watching the video.

Part 1 New Language *First determine who said each sentence to whom. Then try to figure out what the underlined expressions mean.*

- 0.57 I will never **take** air-conditioning **for granted** again.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 3.32 We are promoting Pelotech's **international roll-out**.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 4.31 At least we **scored** free falafels from that food truck.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 6.28 **Open container laws** mean you can **get on the lash** wherever you want.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 6.33 I haven't been **nicked** yet.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 14.16 Are you **pulling a** Houdini?
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 18.18 I'm sure I could **stumble my way through it**.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 21.18 You know, your **pep talks could do with** a little more **pep**.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 21.39 I just wanted you to **hit the ground running**.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 22.35 Let's **table this** for now, and in meantime, I will send you the Gilbert Group's hierarchy of objectives.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 24.01 That's one **apiece, guv**.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 25.41 It is hard to watch you **fall for** someone.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.
- 25.48 Yeah, but you like him. I can **tell**.
Said by _____ to _____ about _____.

Part 2 Discussion *Discuss these questions with your partner or group.*

1. Is air-conditioning unnatural, artificial, American? Do you think it makes you catch cold?
2. Does your country have open-container laws? Do you think they are a good idea? Do you take a traveler when you are on the go (moving to the next place)?
3. Most English-speaking countries do not have open-container laws. Why do you think this is?
4. How do you feel about how the French teacher treated Alfie? Did Alfie deserve it?
5. Where would you rather stay in Paris, where Alfie lives or where Emily lives? Why?
6. Let's pretend we don't know that Alfie has lost his phone. Emily gets stressed because Alfie doesn't reply to her messages fast enough. In your opinion, who has the bad texting etiquette in this situation? If it has been more than 24 hours, does it necessarily mean she/he is not into you?
7. Have you ever ghosted anyone? Why? Have you ever been ghosted?
8. Sylvie says, "The French are susceptible to having their culture interpreted by foreigners and shoved down their throats." What does she mean? Do you think people from your country are in a similar situation?

Part 3 Sound Natural *The phrases in bold are all natural, common expression. Practice the short dialogues with a partner. Then, when you have the chance, try to use them in conversation naturally.*

- 1:00 A: I have got to buy us a fan.
B: Good idea. **The least we can do is** push this stank from one side of the room to the other.
- 3:19 A: Is that Mad Mad Madeliene?
B: Oh my god. Emily Cooper **in the house**.
- 5:24 A: What happened?
B: **You happened!** Since you joined the band, I've been feeling very inspired.
- 12:22 A: Your life in Paris is **far more** interesting than mine.
B: I still **can't tell** if you are joking or not.
- 15:35 A: Where are you coming from, wearing a men's jacket?
B: What? This is mine! The oversized power suit look **is very in** right now.
- 18:30 A: When I sent a picture of our band to my cousin in Shanghai, she **died!**
B: Etienne, can we please **keep this between us?** I am trying to **reinvent myself** here in Paris.
- 19:52 A: I met someone and we...
B: Please, **spare me the details**.

Part 4 Phrasal Verbs Replace the bold verb with the phrasal verb (from the list below) that was actually said in the episode. Put the verb in the correct form.

1. *Emily:* Can we [**increase**] the air conditioning?
2. *Benoît:* It kind of crushed my confidence, so I [**quit**].
3. *Alfie:* [**Wait**]! There you go. It's a traveler, Cooper.
4. *Emily:* I don't know what [**made**] me [**do that**]. Maybe it was the heatwave.
5. *Alfie:* I can't wait to get home, [**remove**] this suit, and just stand in front of my AC.
6. *Alfie:* I work in that one right there, so my company [**gave**] me [**a place to live**] here, nearby.
7. *Emily:* If that means [**leaving secretly**], yes. But I need to borrow a getaway shirt.
8. *Mindy:* When people [**discover**] I'm the zipper princess of China, sometimes things get weird.
9. *Julian:* If it's been more than 24 hours, then he [**doesn't like**] you.
10. *Emily:* You don't text me back, answer my calls, and then you just [**appear/arrive**] here!
11. *Gabriel:* I just don't want to have to see it, watching you [**start to like**] someone.

be into come over drop out fall for find out get out of hold up put up turn up show up sneak out

Part 5 British Expressions First try to figure out what the very British expressions (that Alfie used) mean. Then try to match them to the more American expressions (that Emily might use) in the sentences below.

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1. One thing I'll give ol' Paris: open container laws mean you can [**go drinking**] wherever you want.
2. Well, I haven't been [**caught**] yet.
3. Do you fancy getting [**drunk**] abroad, Cooper?
4. Oh, now you're just [**making fun of me**]!
5. Now that was [**f**%king awesome**]!
6. Well, you could come back to [**my place**].
7. That's [**garbage**], [**buddy**]. It's offside.
8. That's one apiece, [**sir**].
9. Do you [**want**] grabbing a bevvvy?

Part 6 Sentence Building Write sentences about the video clip using the words given. You can change the word form or add words, but you cannot change the word order. Use a present time frame (tenses).

E.g. Emily / struggle / adapt / humidity / Paris / without / air / conditioning

Emily struggles to adapt to the humidity in Paris without air conditioning.

1. Emily / Sylvie / learn / new / fitness / company / account / during / video / call / Madeline
2. Mindy / Benoit / share / kiss / picnic / park
3. meanwhile / Emily / defend / Alfie / French / class / use / perfect / French / prompt / teacher / compliment / her / on / progress
4. after / Emily / go / Alfie / apartment / take / advantage / AC / she / end / up / spend / night
5. Emily / leave / morning / wear / Alfie / jacket
6. on / way / work / she / have / awkward / encounter / Gabriel
7. Emily / confident / lead / fitness / company / presentation / despite / Sylvie / reservation
8. Emily / send / numerous / unanswered / text / Alfie / and / soon / come / believe / he / ghost / her
9. unbeknownst / Emily / Alfie / phone / be / pocket / jacket / she / take / apartment
10. because / Alfie / lose / phone / he / go / Gabriel / restaurant / find / Emily
11. Emily / return / restaurant / and / apologize / send / him / so / many / message

Answers

Part 4

1. turn up
2. dropped out
3. Hold up
4. came over me
5. get out of
6. put me up
7. sneaking out
8. find out
9. is not into
10. show up
11. fall for

Part 5

1. get (go) on the lash
2. nicked
3. banged up
4. taking the piss
5. bloody brilliant
6. mine
7. rubbish, mate
8. guv
9. fancy

Part 6: *These are the most natural answers. Some other variations may be possible.*

1. Emily and Sylvie learn about a new fitness company account during a video call with Madeline.
2. Mindy and Benoit share a kiss [at/during] a picnic in the park.
3. Meanwhile, Emily defends Alfie in French class using perfect French, prompting [her/the] teacher to compliment her on her progress.
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4. After Emily goes to Alfie's apartment (in order) to take advantage of [his/the] AC, she ends up spending the night.
5. Emily leaves in the morning wearing Alfie's jacket.
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6. On [her/the] way to work, she has an awkward encounter with Gabriel.
7. Emily confidently leads the fitness company presentation despite Sylvie's reservations.
8. Emily sends numerous unanswered [texts/text messages] to Alfie_(s) and (she) soon comes to believe (that) he has ghost her.
9. Unbeknownst to Emily, Alfie's phone is in the pocket of the jacket (that/which) she took from his apartment.
10. Because Alfie has lost his phone, he goes to Gabriel's restaurant (in order) to find Emily.
11. Emily returns to the restaurant and apologizes for sending him so many messages.