



LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS

3.1 Apologizing

- I am very sorry to be late. With justification
- I am sorry I can't
- I am sorry I couldn't
- Pardon or I beg our pardon: for not catching a phrase.
- Respond to apologize: never mind or well, that's all right.

For example:

- 1- You are late for attending the meeting. There was a traffic jam. (apologize)
 - I am very sorry to be late. There was a traffic jam.
- 2- Apologize for coming home late. Your car was broken on the way.
- 3- Apologize for coming late to school. Give a reason.
- 4- Apologize for not attending the meeting (use: sick).
- 5- You are invited to a birthday party, but you can't go. You have an exam. (apologize)
- 6- Smith has a lot of work to do. You are unable to help him. Apologize for that and use (tired) as a reason.
- 7- There is an important meeting tomorrow. You don't want to attend it. Apologize using bus as justification.
- 8- I am sorry for losing your book. Accept this apologize.



3.2 Opinion

- **Asking opinion**

- What is your opinion of -----?
- What do you think of -----?
- 1- Ask your friend his opinion of T.V programme?
- What is your opinion of T.V programme?

- **Opinion expression**

- 1- Express your opinion regarding the new songs. (nice)
 - I think the new songs are nice.
- 2- What do you think of summer in Iraq?
 - I think it is very hot.
- 3- Express your opinion on the old films. (boring)
 - I believe they are boring.

- **Agreement with opinion**

- I agree with you.

- **Disagreement with opinion**

- I'm afraid I don't agree with you.

- **Partial disagreement**

- Perhaps, but don't you think that ----- ?

Exercise

1. *Ask Ali about his opinion of the story.*
2. *Express your opinion of sport's cars. (use: dangerous).*
3. *Express your opinion of English language.*
4. *Your friend thinks that English is difficult to learn. You agree but you think that it's grammar is easy.*
5. *I suppose we should go by a taxi.(Disagree Use: on foot)*