

1 Super English



IELTS Speaking - Apologies

Vocabulary

Sincere

- **Definition:** Not pretending or lying; honest.
- **Example Sentence:** His apology was sincere, and you could tell he really meant it.
- **Synonyms:** Genuine, heartfelt, honest
- **Question:** What makes an apology feel sincere to you?



Use the word to describe the picture in a sentence.

Vocabulary

Regret

- **Definition:** A feeling of sadness or disappointment over something that has happened.
- **Example Sentence:** She expressed deep regret for her actions and promised to make amends.
- **Synonyms:** Remorse, sorrow, repentance
- **Question:** Have you ever felt regret after doing something? Have you gotten over it, or does it still bother you?



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Accountability

- **Definition:** The fact or condition of being responsible; taking ownership of one's actions.
- **Example Sentence:** He showed accountability by admitting his mistake and apologizing.
- **Synonyms:** Responsibility, liability, answerability
- **Open Question:** Why is accountability important when apologizing?



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Amends

- **Definition:** Compensation or reparation for a loss, damage, or injury of any kind.
- **Example Sentence:** After realizing his mistake, he tried to make amends by helping her with her project.
- **Synonyms:** Reparation, restitution, compensation
- **Open Question:** What are some ways you can try to make amends when you've hurt someone?



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Reading

Apologies

Text: Apologies play an important role in repairing relationships. A sincere apology shows accountability and can reduce feelings of anger or disappointment. When people admit their mistakes, express regret, and try to make amends, trust can often be rebuilt. However, if an apology is insincere or done only for appearance, it may do more harm than good.

Question: Do you think apologies are always necessary? If not, when wouldn't it be?



Idioms

Match the idioms to their definitions and complete the sentences.

Own up to (something)

Bury the hatchet

Make it up to someone

To do something good to show you are sorry for a mistake.

To admit responsibility for something you did wrong.

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1. After arguing for days about the project, my classmate and I finally decided to _____ and continue working together.
2. At first I denied breaking the vase, but later I decided to _____ and apologize.
3. I forgot my friend's birthday, so I promised to _____ her by treating her to lunch.

Discussion



Public Apologies by Celebrities or Public Figures

Pros:

1. Shows accountability to the public
2. Can rebuild trust with fans or followers
3. Offers a chance to clarify misunderstandings

Cons:

1. May be seen as insincere or just for publicity
2. Can sometimes make the situation worse if not handled well
3. Puts the person in a vulnerable position publicly

1. Do you think public apologies by celebrities are usually sincere? Why or why not?
2. Do public figures have a greater responsibility to apologize when they make a mistake? Why or why not?
3. Should people accept public apologies as enough, or is more action required?

Casual Talk

1. Would you try a new food at a market like this?
2. How do you feel about bargaining when shopping?
3. Imagine you're given \$100 to spend at this market—what would you buy?
4. Would you ever want to sell things at a street market? Why or why not?
5. Would you prefer shopping in a market like this or in a big supermarket? Why?



See you next time!

