

Apologizing

Warm-up:

1. What makes you angry?
2. What are the elements of an effective apology?
3. Do you think always apologizing is good or bad? Why?

Vocabulary/Expressions:

Apology	Seeing red	Drive someone crazy
Getting on someone's nerves	Sincere	Short/hot-tempered
Get on to someone	Get an attitude with someone	Remorse

Practice:

1. Who has been **getting on your nerves lately**?
2. Have you ever purposely did something to **drive someone crazy**?
3. Describe the last time someone **got an attitude** with you?
4. What is your friend/coworker/spouse **getting on to you** form something?
5. Do you think you are **hot-tempered**?

Expressions(apologizing):

I am sorry for...	I apologize for...	My bad.
I didn't mean it.	I didn't mean to...	My mistake.
It's my fault.	I wasn't trying to...	My fault.
I take full responsibility for...	Please accept my apologies for...	

Discussion Questions:

1. What's the difference between an apology and an excuse?
2. Should you ever touch someone when apologizing? Why?
3. Are people too apologetic these days?
4. Are you a forgiving person or do you hold a grudge?
5. When do apologies make you feel awkward? Give an example.
6. How do you feel when someone doesn't apologize or show zero remorse for their mistakes?