

Course: Pre Intermediate Level 2

Day 13

If you want to say something very important to your friend, how would you start the conversation?



Topic Sentences:

Can I talk to you for a minute?

Do you have time for a talk?

Can we talk for a while?

Would you mind having a word with me?

Can I have a word with you?

Dialogue A

A: Hello, Mike. What's the matter?

B: Can I talk to you for a minute?

A: Just a moment, please.

Dialogue B

A: Hi, Jake, come on in.

B: Can I talk to you for a minute?

A: Sorry, I'm all tied up right now.



Notes:

Dialogue A

A: Hello, John. You look a little bit down.

B: Yes, I had a quarrel with our boss just now. Do you have time for a talk?

A: Certainly. What seems to be the matter?

Dialogue B

A: Hello, Dick. Do you have time for a talk?

B: Sure. Where shall we meet?

A: What about the cafe downstairs?

B: OK, see you there in five minutes.



Notes:

Dialogue A

A: Jane, you look upset. Can we talk for a while?

B: I'm OK. (with trembling voice)

A: Are you sure?

Dialogue B

A: Mary speaking.

B: Hi, Mary. This is Lily.

A: Hi, Lily. How are you?

B: Can we talk for a while?

A: Certainly.



Notes:

Dialogue A

A: Hello, Boss. I'm back from my trip.

B: Hi, Bill. Nice to have you back.

A: Would you mind having a word with me?

B: Of course not. But let me check my schedule first.

Dialogue B

A: Susan, would you mind having a word with me?

B: Of course not. But I'm busy right now.

A: What about tomorrow?

B: Sure.



Notes:

Dialogue A

A: Hello, Peter. Why in such a hurry?

B: Can I have a word with you?

A: Sure, go ahead.

Dialogue B

A: I hate to interrupt you, Manager,
but can I have a word with you?

B: Yes. Take a seat, please.

A: Thank you.



Notes:

Tied up

Trembling

Upset

A bit down

You need to tell your friend that you have a very big problem.



How will you approach your friend?

***Thank you for
today!***

***I'm looking forward to
seeing you again!***