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# Lesson 34:

## Dirty Coffee

Conversation Lesson with a Story,  
Vocabulary Practice,  
Questions and Activities

# Content

- The Story
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  - Questions for Discussion
  - Activities
  - A Related Saying
- Role Play
  - Ideas to Help You

# The Story

A customer ordered some coffee in a café. The waiter arrived with the coffee and placed it on the table. After a few moments, the customer called for the waiter.

‘Waiter,’ he said. ‘There’s dirt in my coffee!’

‘That’s not surprising, Sir,’ replied the waiter. ‘It was ground only half-an-hour ago.’

Source: [ESL Jokes](#)



# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

1) To '**order**' here means ...

- a) to tell someone to do something (in a way that shows you have authority)
- b) to put things in particular order
- c) to ask for food or drink in a restaurant

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

2) **'Surprising'** means ...

- a) unusual, or unexpected
- b) illegal
- c) annoying

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# Vocabulary Practice

**Choose the best answer.**

3) **'Ground'** here means ...

- a) an area of land
- b) the soil in which you can grow plants
- c) crushed, i.e. broken into very small pieces

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# Questions for Discussion

- 1) What is funny about this story?
- 2) What qualities should a good waiter have?
- 3) Have you ever complained about food/drink in a restaurant? Tell me about it.

NOTE:

ground (**n** vs. **v.**)

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# Activities

- Now tell your friend(s) the story in your own words.
- Pronounce the following words several times:
  - a) customer
  - b) surprising
  - c) half-an-hour ago

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# A Related Saying

**‘It’s time to wake up and smell the coffee.’**

- What does the saying mean?
- Is there a saying in your mother tongue which bears the same meaning?

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# A Related Saying

**‘It’s time to wake up and smell the coffee.’**

- Used to tell sb that they are wrong about a particular situation or have not been aware of something and that it is time that they realized and accepted the truth.

*It’s time to wake up and smell the coffee: you are not going to pass this course unless you start working harder.*

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# Role Play

Imagine the following situation:

You and your English speaking friend would like to **go out for a lunch**. **You** would like to eat in a **fast food restaurant**, but **your friend** would prefer to go to an **ordinary restaurant**. Try to **convince your friend** that eating in a **fast food restaurant is better**. Person B will play the role of **your English speaking friend** and **will start** the conversation.



## Role Play:

# Ideas to Help You

The following ideas may help you:

- *Speed*
- *Price*
- *Food and drinks*
- *Clean*
- *Non-smoking*
- *Other*