


# 10 Breaking Up

The aim of this lesson is to make the students use the key vocabulary and target expressions in a more natural manner.

## Language Point

<b>I'm over it.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I got over it.</li> <li>- I'm done with it.</li> <li>- I don't care anymore.</li> </ul>
<b>You lose your temper a lot.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- You get mad a lot.</li> <li>- You snap a lot.</li> <li>- You flip out a lot.</li> </ul>
<b>I think we should stop seeing each other.</b>	
<b>Here you go again.</b>	
<b>Here I go again, what?</b>	
<b>We should move on.</b>	
<b>Have a nice life.</b>	

## Key vocabulary

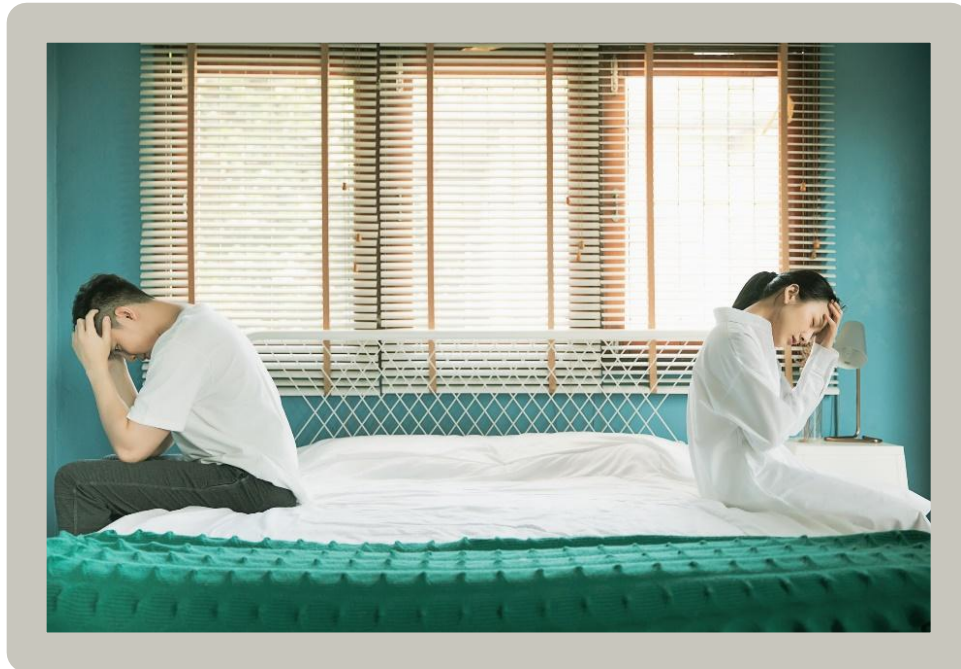
compatible	tear up	see eye to eye	opposites attract
lose one's temper	tiptoe around	idiot	prove one's point

## Part 1

### I. INTRODUCTION

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**Breaking up** with someone is a tough yet a brave thing to do. Usually, you either feel like you've **lost a part of yourself** in the process or you **feel relieved** that it's over. In any case, ending a relationship can be **messy** and **chaotic**, no matter how hard you try to avoid hurting each other.



### II. PRESENTATION

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#### A. Expressions

	Questions:
<b>I think we should stop seeing each other.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ What are the most overused breakup lines you've heard from ex-partners?</li></ul>
<b>You lose your temper a lot.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ What might make a girlfriend/boyfriend partner/spouse lose their temper easily?</li></ul>
<b>Have a nice life.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Would you still wish someone happiness even though he/she broke your heart?</li></ul>

## B. Dialogue

Practice the dialogue with your teacher.

**Barry:** Hi, thanks for meeting me. Do you want a cup of coffee?

**Cindy:** A latte would be great. *(Barry orders)* I haven't heard from you in a while.

**Barry:** Look, I'm not sure how to say this, but I think we should stop seeing each other.

**Cindy:** *(looking surprised)* Why? Because of the Star Wars thing? It wasn't a big deal. I'm over it.

**Barry:** It's not about Star Wars. It's just I don't think we're compatible and we usually don't see eye to eye.

**Cindy:** *(getting sad and tearing up)* Don't they say opposites attract? I'm sorry about the other night. I shouldn't have thrown it in your face.

**Barry:** You do that all the time. You lose your temper a lot and I always feel like I have to tiptoe around you.

**Cindy:** I'm not that bad. What about you? Do you know how many times I have to deal with your being late and always inviting your idiot friends to everything we do? *(getting angry)*

**Barry:** See? Here you go again.

**Cindy:** Here I go again, what? Can't I express MY opinion?

**Barry:** Of course, you can, but it proves my point that I think we should move on. We can still be friends.

**Cindy:** Friends? I have enough friends. *(Cindy gets up)* Have a nice life and enjoy your Star Wars!

## Q & A!



What are three common reasons couples break up?

Which is better, breaking up with someone in person or doing it through a messaging app?

In your opinion, is it possible to

Part 2

**III. PRACTICE**

Use the newly learned vocabulary and expressions in the following practice exercises.

**A. How do you get through a breakup?**

Directions: How do different people deal with a breakup?  
Discuss with your teacher.



Denial	Depression	Anger	Acceptance	Recovery

## B. Let's Talk!

*Directions:* Pretend that you are a well-known Marriage Counselor.

What advice can you give to couples who have the following issues with their relationships?



A cheating partner

A vicious partner

An unsupportive  
partner

An insecure partner

## C. Role-Play

# Role-Play



You see your partner intimately talking and hanging out with someone else.  
How would you react?

Use the vocabulary and expressions you have learned.