

Series 2 Episode 6: Welcome Back Johnny! Introduction

This support pack accompanies:

Big City Small World – Series 2 Episode 6

This support pack contains the following materials:

- Before you listen
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Johnny is back! But is he back for good? And Carlos is going to tell us something really important... Written by Chris Rose.

Before you listen

We suggest you do the vocabulary activity below before you listen. Then listen to the episode and do the first task to check your understanding. Finally, practise some vocabulary and grammar.

Match the words and phrases in the boxes to the definitions.

1. Career	2. Jealous	3. To fit in	4. Building site
5. Legal	6. Position	7. Caterer	8. Hooray

Definitions:

- a. A job in an organisation
- b. An area where a building is being erected
- c. Jobs throughout your life
- d. Someone who provides food
- e. Lawful, within the law
- f. An exclamation of joy
- g. Wanting something that another person has got
- h. To belong

➤ Now, listen to episode 6.

Comprehension Task 1

Match up









Match the sentence halves.

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| 1. Johnny is staying in London... | a. the football team again. |
| 2. Sarah would love to visit... | b. for at least a year. |
| 3. Harry introduces Johnny... | c. that he is running a business. |
| 4. Fadi wants to start... | d. her family and friends. |
| 5. Carlos tells everybody that... | e. be rich in a couple of years. |
| 6. Tony reminds everyone... | f. is not going to be demolished. |
| 7. The good news is that the café... | g. he is no good at football. |
| 8. Johnny thinks he will... | h. to his new girlfriend. |

Comprehension Task 2

Match up

Match the sentences with the speakers.

<p>Magda</p>  <p>Olivia</p>  <p>Sarah</p>  <p>Tony</p> 	<p>Who said...?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">1. It's great to be back!</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">2. Oh, I'm a bit jealous of you.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">3. Oh, by the way – this is Bindyu.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">4. We'll have to start the football team again!</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">5. You always talk about your job!</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">6. Are you just back for a visit?</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">7. I wrote an article in the local paper!</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">8. Are you going to buy something?</div>	<p>Bindyu</p>  <p>Johnny</p>  <p>Harry</p>  <p>Fadi</p> 
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Grammar Task

Gap Fill

Complete the sentences using the prepositions below.

at about back by down for for on up

1. It's great to be _____!
2. A position came _____ with my company.
3. You always talk _____ your job!
4. I haven't been back _____ ages now.
5. So you're back _____ good?
6. I'm afraid I'm no good _____ football
7. So what's been going _____ here while I've been away?
8. They want to knock _____ the café!
9. Oh, _____ the way – this is Bindyu.

Vocabulary Task

Complete the table

adverb	adjective
1. _____	actual
historically	2. _____
3. _____	good
really	4. _____
5. _____	exact
probably	6. _____

Audio script

All: Johnny! Welcome back! Great to see you again!

Johnny: It's great to be back!

Olivia: Are you just back for a visit?

Johnny: No! I'm staying...!

All: Hooray!

Fadi: Great news!

Johnny: Yeah – a position came up with my company back in London – I applied for it, and, well, here I am!

Olivia: How did it go in China?

Johnny: Great – it was really good to be back. I did really well in my job...

Magda: You always talk about your job!

Johnny: Hey! My career is important to me!

Sarah: Oh, I'm a bit jealous of you... I'd love to go back home to visit my family and friends. I haven't been back for ages now...

Johnny: Yeah... you should go...

Olivia: So you're back for good?

Johnny: For a year, at least... then we'll see!

Harry: Oh, by the way – this is Bindyu – she's my girlfriend...

Johnny: Nice to meet you! Well done, Harry...

Bindyu: Nice to meet you too.

Fadi: We'll have to start the football team again!

All: Hi Carlos!

Carlos: Oh, Hi! Hi Sarah!

Sarah: Hello!

Harry: Johnny – this is our new Brazilian friend, Carlos...

Johnny: Hi Carlos! You're Brazilian? You must be good at football... join our team!

Carlos: Erm, well, actually, I'm afraid I'm no good

at football...

Johnny: Well, you'll fit in with our team then!

Carlos: Eh?

Harry: Never mind, Carlos, it's not important...

Johnny: So what's been going on here while I've been away?

All: Er, well... hmmm...

Harry: Lots of stuff.

Johnny: Go on! I saw that banner in the window – what's up? Why do you need to save the café?

Olivia: And my shop...

Harry: Well, did you see that building site just behind the café?

Johnny: Yes, I did actually – it looks like they're building something big, looks interesting...

Olivia: Hmmm...

Harry: Yeah, luxury flats...

Olivia: The problem being...

Tony: ... they want to knock down the café!

Olivia: And my shop.

Johnny: Oh no...

Sarah: But don't worry!

Johnny: Why not?

Harry: We got a campaign going – the banner in the window...

Bindyu: And I wrote an article in the local paper!

Sarah: We found they're historic buildings – so it's not legal to knock them down.

Johnny: Don't worry anyhow - I'm rich enough now! I could buy the café, and your shop Olivia, then do what I want!

Harry: Seriously!?

Johnny: Er, well, no, actually, probably not. Just joking, you know. But I will be rich enough in a

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couple of years...!

Harry: Yeah, right.

Carlos: Listen guys, that was what I came to talk to you about. At lunch today – I'm a caterer, Johnny, I make lunch for all the people who work on the building site next door...

Johnny: I see...

Carlos: ... well, there were two of the top managers there.

Olivia: Oh yeah?

Sarah: And?

Carlos: Well, I didn't listen to them, exactly...

Sarah: Of course not!

Carlos: No, but... I heard what they were saying...

Olivia: And what were they saying?

Carlos: They were saying...

Tony: Oi! Johnny! Are you going to buy something? If you want to have a party go back to your house! I run a business here, you know...

Johnny: Oh sorry, Tony – yeah, could I have a coffee please?

Tony: That all?

Olivia: Tony! Please... Carlos is going to tell us something really important...

Tony: What?

Olivia: That's what we're going to find out...! Carlos... Go on!

Carlos: The managers, they were saying that they know these buildings – the café, and your shop – they know they're historic buildings, and they know they can't knock them down...

Magda: Yes... that's what I found out...I told Bindyu... she put it in the paper...

Carlos: Yes – they've read the newspaper, they said. They know there's nothing they can do...

Olivia: So?

Magda: So?

Harry: So?

Tony: So?

Carlos: So... they're not going to knock them down! The campaign was a success! You've won!

Answers

*Before you listen: 1 - c, 2 - g, 3 - h, 4 - b, 5 - e, 6 - a, 7 - d, 8 - f
Comprehension Task 1: 1 - h, 2 - d, 3 - h, 4 - a, 5 - g, 6 - f, 8 - e
Comprehension Task 2: 1 - Johnny, 2 - Sarah, 3 - Harry, 4 - Fadi, 5 - Magda, 6 - Olivia, 7 - Bindyu, 8 - Tony
Grammar Task: 1 - back, 2 - up, 3 - about, 4 - for, 5 - for, 6 - at, 7 - on, 8 - down, 9 - by
Vocabulary Task: 1 - actually, 2 - historic or historical, 3 - well, 4 - real, 5 - exactly, 6 - probable*