

English at Work
Episode 66: The Wedding Day
Language for a wedding

Narrator: Hello and welcome to English at Work where the day has finally come – it's Anna and Tom's wedding. All their friends, work colleagues and business acquaintances are there... such as Mr Lime...

Mr Lime: Fantastic Anna, fantastic!

Tom: (*whispering*) Yuk, Slimey Limey, I never liked him. Sorry about the venue Anna – but it's all we could get at short notice.

Anna: I think the office at Tip Top Trading is an ideal place for a wedding and besides the...

DOOR OPENS

Mr Socrates: Anna! My favourite girl. I got here as fast I could. I thought I was the only man for you but I guess Tom has stolen that title! Your choice Anna, your choice!

Anna: Oh hello Mr Socrates, this is a nice surprise. Come over here and say hello to Tom.

Mr Socrates: Hey Tom.

Tom: Oh hello Mr S. Nice to see you. You're not doing any firing today are you?

Mr Socrates: Of course not Tom. In fact, as a kind of wedding present, I wondered if you wanted a new job? I'm offering you a chance to manage my new office in Paris.

Tom: Me?! Manager... in Paris! Well Mr S...

Anna: (*coughs*) Tom... aren't we about to get married... start a life together?

Tom: Oh yes.. erm, thanks Mr S for you kind offer but I will have to decline. I'm about to spend the rest of my life with this wonderful woman.

Registrar: Ladies and gentlemen, please could you take your seats. The marriage ceremony is about to begin.

MURMOUR OF PEOPLE SHUFFLING AND SITTING DOWN

Registrar: Do you Anna Jane Wijaya...

Mr Socrates: ...out the way, give me that paper. (*Clears throat*) Do you Anna Jane Wijaya take Tom Brian Farquhar Darcy (*everyone sniggers*)... to be your lawfully wedded husband? To have and to hold from this day forward?

Anna: Ermm, errr...

Narrator: Come on Anna. This is the most important phrase in the whole series! It's 'I do'!

Anna: Oh yes, of course... I do.

Mr Socrates: And do you, Tom Brian Farquhar Darcy...

Tom: ...it's a deal... I do. Come on Anna, give us a kiss.

EVERYONE CHEERS/DENISE CRIES

Anna: Oh Denise!

Narrator: Ahh. It looks like Tom has signed the best contract of his career but not without these phrases:

*Thank you for your kind offer but I will have to decline
It's a deal
I do!*

Anna: Thanks to everyone for making this a special day. If it wasn't for Tip Top Trading I wouldn't be starting a new life as Mrs Wijaya-Darcy.

Tom: Wijaya-Darcy? Shouldn't it just be Mrs Darcy?

Anna: I'm the boss now Tom at work... and at home!

Narrator: Congratulations to Anna and Tom. We have a happy ending – let's hope Anna's journey has inspired you to learn English at work.

Everyone: Bye!

Listening Challenge:

What does Mr Socrates offer Tom?

Answer: A job as manager at the office in Paris.