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with Donielle and Khrystyna

Episode 32: Coffee Break 2 – Tell Me Some Things...

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This is another installment of our Coffee Break series featuring a short discussion about a topic, a quick Q&A or a fun game. Show notes are also brief – just focusing on a few key words and phrases used in our discussion that we think may be helpful to explain. In today's episode, Donielle and Khrystyna are discussing questions where we have encouraged funny or unexpected answers. We hope you enjoy it!

Vocabulary: Words and Phrases Used in the Conversation

What's shaking?	slang greeting, no longer so commonly used
goofy	silly, slightly ridiculous, not serious
chuckle	a soft or light laugh (also a verb: to chuckle)
paramedic	person trained to give emergency medical care, especially in an ambulance
add insult to injury	do or say something that makes a bad situation even worse
that fits the bill	to be suitable, fit, or right for a particular purpose or description
lt's a toss up	used to describe that two choices are equally likely (from the idea of coin toss)
l'm going to / l'll go with	Used to express which choice someone is going to make when given options
bedside manner	the doctor's approach or attitude toward a patient, the kindness they show, etc.
bang [on sthg]	hit something noisily with the hand or fist
What [are you] getting at	use to express that you think another person is saying something indirectly
cat nap	a short nap
cot	a small, portable bed
hassle	an irritating inconvenience, difficulty, or annoyance
pass [sthg] up	Ph.V choose not to make use of a good opportunity
plop down	Ph.V sit down or land heavily
easy peasy	used to express that something is extremely easy
doze off	Ph.V – fall asleep unintentionally for a short period of time
be/go under	unconscious as a result of anesthesia
limb	referring to an arm or leg
so-and-so	a person or thing whose name the speaker does not know or need to specify
trim	haircut, but only cutting a very small amount of hair off the ends
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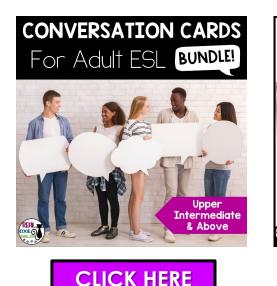


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