



## Being Surprised / Reacting

### Key Structures

#### Expressing Surprise:

What a lovely surprise.  
I'm amazed.  
I'm astounded.  
We were taken aback by his honesty.  
They were stunned by the news.  
I'm surprised that Katrina kept her promise.

#### Expressing Disbelief:

You're kidding.  
Oh my god.  
It's really amazing.  
It's really surprising.  
Wow, really?  
I can't believe it.  
No wonder.

### Now dialogue between Ian and Gillian

#### You're kidding!

Jillian: Tom has just left me a message.

Ian: What you're kidding me! I would never have guessed.

Jillian: And he's taking me out to dinner.

Ian: I don't believe it. That's the last thing I expected. Tom and you, really? He's so handsome. I'm speechless.

#### What a Nice Surprise

Mom: Is that you Laura? What a nice surprise. I'm surprised that you managed to remember my phone number. I'm really taken aback. It's amazing to hear your voice.

Daughter: Mom that's not funny. I called you less than a week ago.

Mom: I know, but today my horoscope said "expect the unexpected" and the other thing that has happened so far is your phone call and it is 10pm.

Daughter: I actually had a surprise for you. I'm pregnant and it's twins.



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Mom: Oh my god!