

New Elementary 3  
Unit 4, Lesson B: Language Focus  
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## How to Apologize

**apologize** = to say sorry to somebody

apologize **to somebody** **for something/doing something/not doing something**

### Examples:

You broke your aunt's vase. You want to apologize to her for breaking it.

- *I'm sorry (that) I broke your vase.* → **A Simple Apology**  
*I'd like to apologize **to you** **for breaking your vase.***
- *The cat jumped on me.* → **Giving an Excuse**  
excuse = the reason why you did something or something happened to you
- *I was not careful enough.* → **Admitting a Mistake**  
*I'd like to apologize **to you** **for not being careful enough.***  
*It's my fault. = I am faulty.*  
Fault = mistake  
faulty = responsible for a mistake
- *I will buy a new vase for you.* → **Making an Offer**  
offer = suggestion
- *I promise to be more careful in the future.* → **Making a Promise**

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