

UNIT 2



1 PRE-READING

A Look at the picture. Answer the questions.

1. What is the woman doing?
2. Where do you think this is?
3. How do you think the woman feels? How do you think the man feels?

B Read the title of the story. Look at the picture again. Answer the questions.

1. What do you think this story is about?
2. Can you guess what happens?

Surprise! It's Your Wedding!

"Good night, John."

"Good night, Lynn."

Lynn Millington kissed her boyfriend good night. He walked to his car and drove away. Lynn walked into her house. It was midnight. Her parents were sleeping, and the house was quiet. Lynn sat down on the sofa. She had a problem, and she needed some time to think.

Lynn's boyfriend was John Biggin. John loved Lynn, and Lynn loved John. They were very happy together. What was the problem? Lynn wanted to get married. John wanted to get married, too, but he was afraid.

Sometimes Lynn and John talked about getting married. "Let's get married in June," Lynn said. "June is a beautiful month for a wedding."

"June?" John asked. "This June? Let's not get married in June. Let's wait a little longer."

Lynn waited...and waited. She was very patient. She was patient, but she wanted to get married. Lynn's parents wanted her to get married, too; they liked John. John's parents also wanted them to get married because they liked Lynn. Suddenly Lynn had an idea. "John's parents will help me!" she thought.

The next morning, Lynn called John's

parents. "I need your help," Lynn told them. "John wants to get married, but he's afraid. Let's plan a wedding for John and me. It will be this Saturday. Invite your family. But don't tell John about the wedding."

Next, Lynn called Bob Rapper. Bob was John's best friend. "I need your help," Lynn told Bob. "Tell John that you're getting married this Saturday. Invite him to your wedding."

Bob wasn't really getting married on Saturday. It was a trick. John and Lynn were getting married on Saturday, but John didn't know it.

On Saturday morning, John put on his best suit. Then he drove to the courthouse in Bridlington, England. He walked into the courthouse and looked around. He saw his friend Bob. He saw his girlfriend, Lynn. Then he saw his parents, relatives, and friends. He saw Lynn's family and friends. Suddenly John understood. This was not Bob's wedding! This was John's wedding! John began to shake, but he didn't run away. Twenty minutes later, John and Lynn were husband and wife.

After the wedding, a photographer took pictures of John and Lynn. In every picture, John is smiling. Lynn, of course, is smiling, too.

2 VOCABULARY

Complete the sentences with the words below.

courthouse patient shake trick wedding

1. Lynn waited and waited. She was very patient.
2. John's best friend, Bob, told him, "I'm getting married on Saturday." That wasn't true; Bob wasn't really getting married. It was a _____.
3. John and Lynn live in England. In England some people get married at a _____.
4. When John saw his friends and family, he got nervous. His body began to _____.
5. Lynn and John got married. After the _____, a photographer took pictures.

3 COMPREHENSION

UNDERSTANDING THE MAIN IDEAS

Circle the letter of the best answer.

1. What was Lynn's problem?
 - a. John's parents didn't like her.
 - b. Lynn loved John's best friend.
 - c. John was afraid to get married.
2. John and Lynn's wedding was unusual because
 - a. Lynn didn't wear a white dress.
 - b. John didn't know about the wedding.
 - c. the wedding was at a courthouse.

UNDERSTANDING CONNECTIONS

Find the best way to complete each sentence. Write the letter of the answer on the line.

1. John wanted to get married, but b
 - a. don't tell John."
 - b. he was afraid.
 - c. he didn't run away.
 - d. she wanted to get married.
2. Lynn was patient, but _____
3. Lynn told John's parents, "Invite your family to the wedding, but _____"
4. When John understood that it was his wedding, he began to shake, but _____

REMEMBERING DETAILS

One word in each sentence is not correct. Find the word and cross it out. Write the correct word.

1. John loved Lynn and wanted to get married, but he was ~~angry~~ ^{afraid}.
2. Lynn told John's brothers, "I need your help."
3. "Let's plan a party for John and me," Lynn told John's parents.
4. Next, Lynn called Bob, who was John's boss.
5. She told him, "Tell John that you're getting married this Monday, and invite him to the wedding."
6. Bob wasn't really getting married; it was a problem.
7. On Saturday morning, John put on his best suit and drove to the library in Bridlington, England.

8. At the courthouse, he called Lynn, his friends, and his relatives.
9. Suddenly he understood: This was Bob's wedding!
10. Twenty minutes later, John and Lynn were boyfriend and wife.

4 DISCUSSION

A Read the sentences and check (✓) YES or NO.

- | | YES | NO |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. I think John is happy that he married Lynn. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Lynn tricked John. I think that was a good idea. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. I think John and Lynn will have a long and happy marriage. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. John is 24 years old. That is a good age for a man to get married. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. I am (I was) afraid to get married. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

B Read the sentences and your answers to a partner. Explain your answers.

5 WRITING

A Is it better to be married or single? Fill in the chart below.

It is better to be married. Why?	It is better to be single. Why?
1. _____ _____	1. _____ _____
2. _____ _____	2. _____ _____
3. _____ _____	3. _____ _____

B Discuss your answers with your classmates.