

Nigerian English

Listening Transcript

Interviewee: Top of the morning to you.

Receptionist: Morning mam. How may we help you?

Interviewee: You see, believe it or now, eh, I woke up countless times last night in suspicion of this day and the time was never just right. You could imagine my shock when I woke up and it was 8:05 a.m., gosh.

Receptionist: OK, so you're here to see...

Interviewee: No one in particular. I'm here for the job interview. I know I'm very, very late and it's totally unlike me. I know standard procedure is to be at the interview venue before time, but it feels as if I'm late though...

Receptionist: I am so sorry, but you're not an hour or 30 minutes late, you're actually 24 hours late. The interview was held yesterday and the selected applicants are set to resume in one day.

Interviewee: I like your ready [wit]. You've got a very good sense of humour, but it's not the first of April, so...

Receptionist: I'm sorry, but you see, I have a lot of work to do right now, so you'll have to leave. Sorry.

Interviewee: Wait. Are you serious?

Receptionist: Yeah.

Interviewee: The interview was yesterday.

Receptionist: I'm sorry. You have to go.

Interviewee: No, no, no, wait. Look, you listen to me. Yeah. This is my twenty-fifth job interview, and I know this job is mine. It's my good luck interview. This job is mine, so there is nothing you can tell me now that will make me leave this office. All right. This job is mine. And I'm going to take it.

Receptionist: Madam, you have to leave now, OK. Just go!

Interviewee: No, no.

Receptionist: Oh my god, oh my god. Jesus, she's dead. Somebody help me.