How to Interrupt: A 2-Step Technique

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| Stop the story | |
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| 1 | There was a man who lived in a house in the suburbs of a big city. Everyday he caught a train to his office in the city centre. One day he sat next to a woman on the train. She was reading a book. He looked at her. She was very beautiful. He wanted to speak to her. The train stopped at the station and she got off. He never saw her again. |
| 2 | The university student cycled along the street. His backpack was heavy. He cycled quickly. He had headphones on and was listening to music. A truck turned into the street. The student didn’t see the truck. The truck driver braked quickly. The student didn’t notice. He continued down the street. |
| 3 | It was a cold, rainy day. A woman waited inside a café. She was looking at the clock. The radio was on. A man came in. He sat down next to her. She looked angry. He said something to her and she smiled. They stood up, she paid her bill and they walked out of the café together. |
| 4 | At 6 a.m. exactly the company president got out of bed and went downstairs. His wife was cooking breakfast. She handed him a newspaper. He read the paper and ate some food. His wife spoke to him but he didn’t answer. He got dressed and left the house. His driver was waiting for him. He got in the car and left. |

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| Get a turn  “Sorry” (↓) |  | Ask an efficient question  What’s that? (↑)  Where? Why? When? (↑) |
|  | Make a request to speak  *Can I make a comment?*  *May I interrupt?*  *Can I say something?* |