

2 Broke Girls



Street-wise Max doesn't expect much from the new waitress at her night job, a rich girl who has reluctantly joined the food service industry after a string of bad luck. But to her surprise, Caroline is a woman of substance and just may be her ticket to success. The two strikes up an unlikely friendship after Caroline discovers that Max can bake a mean cupcake and the women decide if they can just wrangle up the start-up cash, they may have found their big break. Their co-workers at the diner are bossing Han Lee, cook Oleg and cashier Earl.

Season 1 Episode 2: *And the Break-up Scene*

(Thinking she is being helpful, Caroline facilitates Max's breakup with Robbie.)

- **Caroline:** I'm thinking we should take the first step in our new cupcake business by writing "Max's Homemade Cupcakes" up on the specials board.
- **Max:** No, I can't have my name up there. Everyone I owe money to thinks I live in Seattle.
- **Caroline:** Oh, we used to own Seattle. Max, we've got to get the name out there. Create a **buzz**.
- **Max:** Ooh, good idea! Let's create a buzz.
- **Caroline:** Exactly, in order to launch...
- **Max:** I'm mocking you. When in doubt, I'm always **mocking** you.
- **Caroline:** Seriously, Max. This new cupcake business is our **lifeline**. A way out for both of us and I wanna thank you again for letting me **move in**. If there's anything I can do to help you...
- **Max:** You mean besides starting to wait on tables?





- **Caroline:** I meant anything I can do to help you through your **breakup** with Robbie.
- **Max:** Oh. Thanks, but I'm fine. And we're working. Well, one of us is.
- **Caroline:** Are you sure you're fine? 'Cause I heard you crying last night.
- **Max:** I don't cry. I sold my tear ducts to an organ bank for cash two years ago.
- **Caroline:** I was on the couch and I heard you crying alone in your bedroom.
- **Max:** Really? What did the crying sound like? Like I wasn't crying.
- **Caroline:** Well, then what were you d-- Oh! So, none of my business.
- **Max:** That's right. And remember that.

VOCABULARY

buzz /bəz/ noun (informal): A general sense of excitement about or interest in someone or something, as reflected in or generated by media coverage or word of mouth

- Example: *They created a huge **buzz** with their latest album.*

mocking /mɒk/ (verb): to behave with scorn or contempt (towards); show ridicule

- Example: *The other students are **mocking** the way he speaks.*

lifeline /'laɪf,laɪn/ (noun): something, esp. a way of getting help, on which you depend.

- Example: *Airplanes are this Alaskan town's **lifeline**.*

move in /mu:v/ (phrasal verb): to go to a different place and begin to live or work there

- Example: *High business taxes prevent new businesses from **moving in**.*

breakup /'breɪk,ʌp/ (noun): the ending of a personal, especially a romantic, relationship.

- Example: *The planned **breakup** of the company will give him a less important role.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever grown tired of a relationship? If yes, what did you do?
2. How does it feel to be broken hearted?
3. What did you do to overcome being broken?
4. What do you think is the best way to cope up with it?
5. How to deal breakups in a positive way?