



Based on the comic book series written by Robert Kirkman, this gritty drama portrays life in the weeks and months following a zombie apocalypse. Led by police officer Rick Grimes, his family and a group of other survivors find themselves constantly on the move in search of a safe and secure home. But the pressure each day to stay alive sends many in the group to the deepest depths of human cruelty, and Rick discovers that the overwhelming fear of the survivors can be more deadly than the zombies walking among them.

Season 1 Episode 1: "Days Gone By"

Earlier, Rick and Shane, another *deputy*, are sitting in their police car talking and eating.

Rick: What's the difference between men and women?

Shane: Is this a joke?

Rick: No, serious.

Shane: I never met a woman who knew how to turn off a light. They're born thinking in a switch, it only goes one way. On. They're struck blind the second they leave a room. I mean every woman, I ever let have a key... I swear to God. Come home, house all lit up, and my job, apparently because... because my *chromosomes* happen to be different cause I then gotta walk through that house, turn off every single light this chick left on.

Rick: Is that right?



Shane: Yeah, baby. Alright, Reverend Shane's *preaching* to you now, boy. [Rick smiles]

So how's it with Lori, man?

Rick: She's good. She's good at turning off lights. Really good. I don't know why I sometimes forget.

Shane: Not what I meant.

Rick: We didn't have a great night.

Shane: Look, man, I may have a... fail to *amuse* with my *sermon*, but I did try. The least you could do is speak.

Rick: That's what she always says: "Speak". "Speak". You'd think I was the most closed mouth you'd ever hear her telling.

Shane: Do you express your thoughts? Do you share your feelings and that kind of stuff?

Rick: The thing is... lately whenever I try... everything I say makes her impatient, like she didn't want to hear it after all. It's like she's... pissed at me all the time, and I don't know why.



VOCABULARY

- deputy** [dep-yuh-tee] *noun, plural deputies*
 - a person appointed or authorized to act as a substitute for another or others.

Example:
*He got a meeting with a **deputy** director, but not approval for a bureaubadge.*
- chromosome** [kroh-muh-sohm] *noun, Genetics.*
 - a threadlike structure of nucleic acids and protein found in the nucleus of most living cells, carrying genetic information in the form of genes

Example:
***Chromosomes** are not sprinkled randomly around the inside of the nucleus.*
- amuse** [uh-myooz] *verb*
 - to hold the attention of (someone) pleasantly; entertain or divert in an enjoyable or cheerful manner.

Example:
*She **amused** the guests with witty conversation.*
- sermon** [sur-muh n] *noun*
 - a discourse for the purpose of religious instruction or exhortation, especially one based on a text of Scripture and delivered by a member of the clergy as part of a religious service.

Example:
*Once upon a time, the good vicar was the one who preached the best **sermon**.*
- preaching** [pree-ching] *noun*
 - the act or practice of a person who preaches; the art of delivering sermons

Example:
*Sometimes you need to be careful about **preaching** what you practice.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How about you? Are you expressive? How do express your feelings?
2. If you will see a “walker” what are you going to do?
3. How people in your country express their feelings to someone?
4. If you are Shane what advice can you give to Rick?
5. What do think is the advantage and disadvantage of expressing your thoughts/feelings to someone?