

NB: This is not a word-for-word transcript

Ceilia

Hi Peter – how's everything? Still enjoying working here?

Peter

Oh yes. It's a great restaurant. I love it here.

Ceilia

Good, good... do you want to know a secret?

Peter

Oh... go on then.

Ceilia

I can't tell anyone... but I've just entered us into the Restaurant of the Year awards – in the best newcomer category – hopefully we'll be nominated!

Peter

Oh that's great news... well done!

Ceilia

Mum's the word – I can't tell anyone until it's officially announced.

Peter

My lips are sealed.

Gordon

See you Ceilia... What are you smirking at?

Peter

Nothing... Oh go on then. Ceilia's just told me a big secret...

Gordon

What?

Peter

We've been nominated for Restaurant of the Year award! But **keep it under wraps** hey?

Gordon

No way! Gosh, Restaurant of the Year ... me, a winner!

Mary

Have you won something Gordon?

Gordon

No, no... you'll probably find out anyway... **a little dickie bird just told me** that I've won the Restaurant of the Year award! But ssshhh, **keep it to yourself**.

Mary

OK, I won't **let the cat out of the bag**... except there's no cat to let out. The awards aren't for another six months – we can't have won.

Ceilia

She's right Gordon. I've only just put the entry form in...

... what's up? Cat got your tongue?!

Vocabulary

mum's the word

keep it a secret

my lips are sealed

I won't tell anybody

keep it under wraps

keep it a secret

a little dickie bird has told me

somebody has told me something in private

keep it to yourself

don't tell anybody/keep it a secret

to let the cat out of the bag

tell somebody something that was supposed to be a secret

Questions

1. Why does Ceilia say 'mum's the word' when she tells Peter her secret?
(Hint: Watch the episode again.)
 - a) Because she doesn't want her mum to know
 - b) Because the news has not been officially announced
 - c) Because they have won the competition but it hasn't been officially announced yet

2. Does Peter tell Gordon the secret that Ceilia told him?
(Hint: Think about exactly what he says.)
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.

3. What does Mary say that means she won't tell the secret to anyone?
(Hint: She won't let something out!)
 - a) I won't put the cat in the bag
 - b) I'll let the cat out of the bag
 - c) I won't let the cat out of the bag

Answers

1. Why does Ceilia say 'mum's the word' when she tells Peter her secret?
 - a) Because she doesn't want her mum to know. Wrong. It's got nothing to do with her mum!
 - b) Because the news has not been officially announced. Correct, well done!
 - c) Because they have won the competition but it hasn't been officially announced yet. Wrong! Nobody knows who the winners are because Ceilia has only just entered the competition. Try again.

2. Does Peter tell Gordon the secret that Ceilia told him?
 - a) Yes. Wrong. Think again!
 - b) No. That's right. Peter tells Gordon, the restaurant has been nominated for Restaurant of the Year but Ceilia said she had just entered the competition.

3. What does Mary say that means she won't tell the secret to anyone?
 - a) I won't put the cat in the bag. Wrong! Try again.
 - b) I'll let the cat out of the bag. Wrong, that's not right. She doesn't want to let anything out of the bag. Try again.
 - c) I won't let the cat out of the bag. Correct. That's what she said.