

# Functions

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## LACK OF UNDERSTANDING AND ASKING FOR CLARIFICATION

### How to express lack of understanding

When you fail to understand what has been said to you you can use these expressions:

- I beg your pardon?
- I beg your pardon, but I don't quite understand.
- I'm not quite sure I know what you mean.
- I'm not quite sure I follow you.
- I don't quite see what you mean.
- I'm not sure I got your point.
- Sorry, I didn't quite hear what you said.
- Sorry, I didn't get your point.
- I don't quite see what you're getting at.

### How yo ask for clarification

When you don't understand what someone has said, you can ask for clarification using the following expressions:

- What do you mean by...?
- Do you mean...?
- Could you say that again, please?
- Could you repeat please?
- Could you clarify that, please?
- Would you elaborate on that , please?
- Could you be more explicit?
- Could you explain what you mean by...?
- Could you give us an example?
- I wonder if you could say that in a different way.
- Could you put it differently, please?
- Could you be more specific, please?