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## The English We Speak

### Pull a fast one

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**Feifei**

Welcome to The English We Speak, I'm Feifei.

**Neil**

And I'm Neil. Feifei – what do you think of my new phone?

**Feifei**

Let's have a look – hmm... it looks... unusual.

**Neil**

It's great. This guy sold it to me. He said it was a top-secret new model – it's not been released in the shops yet. Here, look...

**Feifei**

How do I... unlock it?

**Neil**

You just... err... it's frozen. Let me just... no.

**Feifei**

Who did you say you bought it from?

**Neil**

A guy on the street.

**Feifei**

I hate to say it Neil, but I think he **pulled a fast one** on you!

**Neil**

But he... oh no.

**Feifei**

Sorry. To **pull a fast one** means to deceive or play a trick on someone. We say you **pull a fast one** on or with somebody. The phone seller **pulled a fast one** on Neil. Listen to these examples:

### Examples

The shopkeeper tried to **pull a fast one** on me. He gave me a £5 note as change instead of a £20 note.

Don't you try and **pull a fast one** with me! I know you're not really sick. Get back to work.

**Neil**

So, that's it. All that money wasted. What an idiot. Oh, is that my phone?

**Feifei**

Sorry, it's mine. Hello? Yes... No, I don't think so... Thanks!

**Neil**

Who was it?

**Feifei**

The guy called to say I've won a million pounds. All I have to do is give him my bank details and he'll pay me.

**Neil**

Someone else trying to **pull a fast one**!

**Feifei**

Sadly, yes! I could do with a million pounds. I'd even buy you a new phone, Neil.

**Neil**

You're too kind.

**Feifei**

And that's it for this edition of The English We Speak. Bye.

**Neil**

Bye.