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## The English We Speak

### Hangry



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**Feifei**

Hello and welcome to The English We Speak. I'm Feifei and joining me is Sian.

**Sian**

Hi everyone.

**Feifei**

Are you OK Sian?

**Sian**

Yes, of course I am! Can we just get on with the programme?!

**Feifei**

Um Sian, have you had your breakfast today?

**Sian**

No I haven't... I overslept and then the bus was late and, uh, it's just not been a good day so far!

**Feifei**

Hmmm, maybe we should do the programme once you've eaten something. Here have this chocolate bar.

**Sian**

Oh sorry, I know I'm a bit hangry this morning. I do tend to get moody when I don't eat. My husband's always complaining about it!

**Feifei**

Hangry? Don't you mean 'angry'?

**Sian**

No, 'hangry'. 'Hangry' describes someone who is angry – or irritable – as a result of being hungry. Like me today – I'm feeling a bit annoyed because I haven't eaten breakfast!

**Feifei**

You certainly are! So 'hangry' is a combination of 'angry' and 'hungry'?

**Sian**

Yes, that's right. Let's hear a few examples.

**Examples**

A: This food is taking forever to arrive. I'm not coming to this restaurant again.

B: Oh dear, someone's getting hangry! Let's get you some food quickly!

My boyfriend is a nightmare whenever he misses a meal; he gets so hangry!

People tend to get a bit hangry when their blood sugar level drops.

**Feifei**

Interesting. You wouldn't catch me getting 'hangry' though, I'm always very chilled.

**Sian**

Is that right Feifei? You know, I'm feeling much happier after eating that chocolate bar. Shall we do the programme again? I feel ready now.

**Feifei**

No! come on that will do. I'm starving!

**Sian**

Oh dear, it seems like you're a bit hangry too Feifei! Let's get you to the cafe now.

**Feifei**

Good idea! Let's go.