

## Podcast #111 Coincidences

### *Original Version*

A man comes into a bar. He is slightly drunk. He walks up to the only other patron. He asks if he could buy him a drink.

"Why of course," comes the reply.

The first man then asks: "Where are you from?"

"I'm from Ireland," replies the second man.

The first man responds: "You don't say. I'm from Ireland too! Let's have another round to Ireland."

"Of course," replies the second man.

The first man then asks: "I'm curious. Where in Ireland are you from?"

"I'm from Dublin," comes the reply.

"I can't believe it," says the first man. "I'm from Dublin too! Let's have another drink to Dublin."

"Of course," replies the second man.

Curiosity again strikes the first man. He asks: "What school did you go to?"

"I went to Saint Mary's," replies the second man, "I graduated in '63."

"This is unbelievable!" the first man says. "I went to Saint Mary's. I graduated in '63, too!"

Just then one of the regular customers comes in. He sits down at the bar. "What's been going on?" he asks the bartender.

"Nothing much," replies the bartender. "The O'Connor twins are drunk again."

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**Choose the correct word or term.**

A man (come – comes) into a bar. He is slightly drunk. He walks (up – on) to the only other patron. He asks if he could buy (for him – him) a drink. "Why of course," comes the reply.

The first man then (asks – is asking): "Where (you are – are you) from?"

"I'm from Ireland," (replys – replies) the second man.

The first man responds: "You don't say. I'm from Ireland (too – to)! Let's have another round to Ireland."

"(Of course – Off course)," replies the second man.

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"I'm from Dublin," (come – comes) the reply.

"I can't (believe – beleive) it," says the first man. "I'm from Dublin too! Let's have another drink to Dublin."

"Of course," replies the second man.

Curiosity again strikes the first man. He asks: "What school (you went to – did you go to)?"

"I went to (Saint Mary's – Saint Marys)," replies the second man, "I graduated in '63."

"This is unbelievable!" the first man says. "I went to Saint Mary's. I (graduate – graduated) in '63, too!"

Just then (one regular customer – one of the regular customers) comes in. He sits down (at – to) the bar. "What's been (going on –going off)?" he asks the bartender.

"Nothing much," replies the bartender. "The (OConnor – O'Connor) twins are (again drunk – drunk again)."

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### ***Practice with incorrect or missing articles, indefinite pronouns, and verbs.***

In the following version of the story, circle or underline places where (a) a grammatically incorrect article is used, or (b) any of the following is missing:

- a grammatically required article (*a, an, the*)
- a personal pronoun (for example, *he*)
- a possessive pronoun (for example, *his*)
- an indefinite pronoun such as *some* or *any*
- a form of the verb *to be* (for example, *was*)

The first paragraph has been underlined to show where you would circle or underline a word or phrase.

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First man then asks: " I curious. Where in Ireland you from?"

"I from Dublin," comes reply.

"I can't believe," says first man. "I from Dublin too! Let's have another drink to Dublin."

"Of course," replies second man.

Curiosity again strikes first man. He asks: "What school did you go to?"

"Went to Saint Mary's," replies second man, "I graduated in '63."

"This is unbelievable!" first man says. "I went to Saint Mary's. I graduated in '63, too!"

Just then one of regular customers comes in. Sits down at bar. "What's been going on?" he asks bartender.

"Nothing much," replies bartender. " O'Connor twins are drunk again."

