



## 06 – VOCABULARY: TELLING A SECRET



1. I **have a secret to tell you**... I got a promotion at work, but I don't want to jinx it before it's official.
2. **I've never told anyone this before**, but... I used to struggle with addiction and went to rehab.
3. **I have something to confess**... I cheated on a test in college and have always felt guilty about it.
4. I'm about to **reveal something to you that nobody else knows**... I'm planning to surprise my partner with a trip to Australia.

### Asking for Confidentiality

5. **Can you keep a secret?** I'm planning a surprise party for my best friend's birthday. **I hope you'll keep it to yourself.**
6. **Promise me you won't tell anyone**... My sister is pregnant, but she hasn't told anyone else in the family yet. So, **mum's the word**
7. I need to tell you something, but **you have to swear not to tell anyone**... I accidentally broke my neighbour's window and didn't tell them.
8. Please **don't say a word** to anyone (or: **don't breathe a word** to anyone). I'm planning to quit my job and start my own business.

### Response

9. **I promise** not to **tell a soul** (not to **breathe a word**).
10. **My lips are sealed.** **You can trust me.** I won't let on
11. I will **keep it zipped**, **don't worry.** **I can assure you** that I will not **spill the beans.**