

Catcalling

M: Hey, Sakura. You alright? You seem a little **shook**.

W: Oh, hi Kai. I'm OK. I just had the strangest experience on my way here. The men on the streets kept shouting at me. I was SO scared!

M: Huh? That's strange... What did they say to you?

W: I couldn't **catch** everything they said-- some words I didn't recognize. But they **WHISTLED** at me, and said something like, "Hey, give us a smile?"

M: Oooh, that's just...

W: (Sakura cuts him off.) I think they used some really **rude** words about my body as well! It was so **disgusting**! I walked away as fast as I could!

M: But Sakura, that's just catcalling.

W: Cat what?

M: Catcalling. Some men like to **call out compliments**, and whistle at you on the streets. It's not that bad. You can choose to **take it as a compliment**! It's totally normal.

W: Well, it shouldn't be! And I DON'T **appreciate** YOU **condoning** that kind of behavior.

M: But...

W: As a woman, this is really **creepy**. How would YOU feel if people on the streets suddenly start whistling at YOU and **objectifying** you.

M: **Woah**, OK, OK. I'm sorry. I guess I wasn't really thinking from your point of view. You're right. You shouldn't have to feel unsafe when you're just walking on the street. I'm really sorry.

W: It's OK. You understand now, right? Let's go. (Men catcall again)

M: Ugh. **They really do shout a lot**.

W: Well, at least this time I'm not walking alone.

M: Wait! I know what to do!

M: Heeeyyy boooyy! Hi handsome! You guys talking to me? (They stop)

W: Ha ha ha. THAT sure quieted them down! (Written by Minao Capper)

*** It's a Good Expression ***
(今回の重要表現)

shook
動揺した、不愉快な
正しくは **shaken** だが、口語表現では過去分詞としての用法もある。

catch
理解する

whistle
口笛を吹く

rude
失礼な

disgusting
不快な、嫌な

call out compliments
お世辞を声高に言う

take it as a compliment
それをお世辞として受け取る

appreciate
評価する

condone
大目に見る

creepy
気味の悪い

objectify
～をモノのように扱う

Woah
やめて

They really do shout a lot.
あいつら本当にうるさいなあ。
do は動詞を強調する表現。