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## The way I heard it: Episode 65: A Full Figured Gal

### TASK I PRE-LISTENING IDIOMS IN THE PODCAST

Insert the words from the table into the sentences below. Then, listen out for the idioms in **bold** as you listen to the podcast.

<b>stride</b>	<b>drink</b>	<b>thing</b>	<b>picture</b>	<b>ways</b>	<b>beside</b>
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1. Who's that **tall \_\_\_\_\_ of water** who just walked in? – No idea, but he sure is cute!
2. Sorry, Bill, we have to let you go. There's **no two \_\_\_\_\_ about it**.
3. The kids' father is back **in the \_\_\_\_\_** for the moment, but I'm not sure if I can rely on him.
4. When you become a politician, you soon learn **to take criticism in your \_\_\_\_\_**.
5. I **was \_\_\_\_\_ myself** when I found out I'd been rejected from my first-choice school.
6. John **has a \_\_\_\_\_ for** antique books. He's always on the lookout for new ones to add to his collection.

**TASK II LISTEN TO THE PODCAST.** How far into the recording did you realise what was meant by the peculiar 'marriage arrangements' described in the podcast?

**TASK III POST-LISTENING** The narrator uses a number of expressions in a clever way so that they can be understood in two different ways. Complete the table.

PHRASE	MEANING 1 (LITERAL)	MEANING 2 (METAPHORICAL)
Fred conceived Libby.		
But it was Gus who raised her.		
A man who would put Libby on a pedastal.		
They sailed to America to find a more suitable suitor.		
Several mayors of American cities proposed.		