

How's it going with the Titanium project? Are you going to be able to meet the deadline?

Possibly. We were behind schedule last month. We've almost caught up but the deadline's still too tight. Could we extend it?

That might be difficult. What's the problem?

We've had real technical problems. The whole network shut down last week for two days.

Well, I can maybe negotiate a two-day extension. Leave it with me, I'll see what I can do. Will you still come in on budget?

Not now. The network problems have meant we've had to contract a lot of the work out to meet the deadline, so there'll be an overspend on the data processing. It shouldn't be too much though.