Episode 5: Modern Family Planning is Safe

1. **SFX:** THEME MUSIC UP AND FADES UNDER

2. **YINKUS:** My people Welcome to Today’s edition of *Ireti Eda*. I am your host, Olayinka Owoyemi, the iyalode of the Airwaves. My co-anchor, Bosun Da Boss is right here with me and together we’re here to make sure you enjoy your time with us today! So listeners, are you ready?

3. **BOSUN:** Yinkus! Me I am ready-o. So what do you have in store for us my dear iyalode?

4. **YINKUS:** Ah-ah Da Boss. Are you asking me? If you don’t know, then I’ll leave it as a surprise for you and our viewers.

5. **BOSUN:** Ah Ah Yinkus. You won’t even tell me, your co-host?

6. **YINKUS:** Eh ehn, last week when I asked you to tell me that gossip about that fuji artist, did you tell me? Am I not your co-host too?

7. **BOSUN:** Iyalode, haba. That is last week’s matter, this one is today’s matter now...

8. **YINKUS:** Bosun, just sit back and relax along with our viewers. All will be revealed in time. For now it’s time for our drama. Last time, Iyabo struck against Abokede and stopped giving her food after she was robbed of the hawking money; Abokede promised Lami that she’d help her when the time came to deliver her baby, and Oyemade told Folashade that he was tired of carrying on their relationship in secret and wanted to reveal it to their families. Hmmm DRAMA! Let’s go over and see what will happen today.

9. **DRAMA:** CUE IN EPISODE 5 OF THE DRAMA - 12 MINUTES

10. **YINKUS:** Ah I’m happy for Ajani and Wosilat today-o. Fortune smiled in their direction. At least they now have a little money to pay some bills. Bosun even from today’s drama episode we could still see the importance of good communication. See how Wosilat was able to have a healthy discussion with Ajani on how they should tackle their financial and accommodation problems. Too bad they aren’t using a family planning method – Agani wants some love but Wosilat says no because she’s worried about having a baby.
11. **BOSUN:** True, I wonder what’s holding them back Hmn Yinkus, this one that Bello’s mother has started to ask about grandchildren, na wa-o.

12. **YINKUS:** That’s it now. Pressure has begun. Bet with me, Bello will have to produce a wife very soon if not he will not drink water in that house-o *(he’ll not be given a moment’s peace).*

13. **BOSUN:** My dear. Once a mother decides that she wants to carry your children, you are in trouble. That is my biggest headache at home now unless Maami doesn’t see me. She will beg, cry as if I have planned with her enemies to deny her of grandchildren. Look, it’s not a joke-o *(BOTH LAUGHING THROUGH OUT)*

14. **YINKUS:** Well for now Bosun, it’s time for our music break. When we return we’ll be taking your questions and discussing today’s topic with our big aunty and wonderful counselor, Madam Adunni. We’ll be right back.

15. **MUSIC:** POPULAR YORUBA MUSIC FOR 2 MINUTES MAXIMUM

16. **YINKUS:** Welcome back listeners! That was “*Bubble*” by *Adewale Ayuba*. I hope you enjoyed it. Now listeners, it’s time to hear from you. As always our big aunty is here to answer your questions. She’s a midwife, marriage counselor and respected woman, please join us in welcoming Madam Adunni to the studio.

17. **SFX:** FANFARE AND SHEKERÉ SOUND

18. **M. ADUNNI:** Ah Yinkus, Da Boss. Thank you for that welcome. How is everyone today?

19. **YINKUS:** Well we’re all fine thank you, ma. Em Madam Adunni, you know in the last two weeks we’ve been talking about family planning, well a lot of people have been approaching me and asking me about whether it is safe, whether it works and so on and so forth. I was wondering if maybe we can address those questions today.

20. **M. ADUNNI:** Of course, my dear. Let us get this message out there first and foremost that modern family planning is safe and effective. I myself have used it for many years and I am a satisfied user. If not, I cannot confidently stay here and advice others to use it.

21. **BOSUN:** That’s a good point, Ma. Let’s go over to our first question. It’s an SMS from Motunrayo and she writes: *Madam Adunni, I’m very interested in family planning, in fact I know it will really benefit me*
and my husband’s relationship, but I’ve heard all sorts of things about the side effects and I’m afraid. What is your opinion as a medical expert?

M. ADUNNI: Motunrayo, thank you for having the courage to ask what may be a few others are wondering. This is one of the most popular questions I’m asked. And the truth is that modern contraceptives are a safe and convenient way for couples or individuals to organize their lives and to ensure they have the kind of family they want and only when they are prepared for the responsibility of having children. The side effects of modern methods that people talk about are often grossly exaggerated and far outweigh reality. It is good to make your decisions based on correct information rather than rumor. There are several family planning methods available. You can talk to your nearest family planning service provider to find out which method is best suited to you.

22. YINKUS: Okay Ma, we have a caller on the line waiting to ask a question. Diran, over to you, Madam Adunni is listening:

23. INSERT: (DIRAN’s VOICE VIA PHONE) Hello ma, my fiancée was using some beads around her waist to prevent pregnancy but it didn’t work and now we have to bring the wedding forward. Do these family planning methods you’re talking about really work? And which method is the best one for couples?

24. M. ADUNNI: Ah Diran! Don’t worry you and your fiancée are not alone. It has happened to many people. But with modern family planning methods, you don’t need to worry. They are safe, effective and easy to use. And your family planning service provider will guide you on the directions of use. As for the best method, after you’ve heard about all the methods, it is for you and your partner to decide which one will fit your lifestyle and family goals the best.

25. BOSUN: Okay Madam Adunni. One more question very quickly. We have an SMS from Jumoke who writes: I have one child now and would like more children in future. If I use family planning will it affect my ability to have a baby later?

26. M. ADUNNI: Jumoke, no need to worry. Most of the modern family planning methods are temporary, meaning that they can be withdrawn or stopped whenever the couple desires and the woman would then be able to have a baby.

27. YINKA: Unfortunately that’s all we have time for today. Madam Adunni,
thank you! We are grateful for your wisdom. Until next time ma, bye-bye.

28. BOSUN: Hmmmm I really learnt a lot during that session with Madam Adunni. I hope she was able to allay the fears of many of our listeners out there with her answers.

29. YINKUS: Well, whilst we reflect on what Madam Adunni said, let’s enjoy some music. This is “Top Up” by Femi Fadipe. Enjoy!

30. MUSIC: A SONG BY A POPULAR NIGERIAN ARTISTE

31. BOSUN: That song is one of my favourites. I hope you enjoyed it as well.

32. YINKUS: Hmmmm Bosun, do you even need to ask? Didn’t you see me singing and dancing to the song when it was playing? Hmmmm I’m too much! See dance steps!!!

33. BOSUN: (LAUGHING) Yinkus, ahn ahn! You’re too humble sef! (KISSES TEETH) Unfortunately, listeners we’ve come to the end of our programme today. But as always, before we go, we’re going to be giving 5 of you lucky listeners the chance to win one of our wonderful prizes in our quiz. Today’s quiz question is:

- What trade does Lukman want Abokedeto learn?

34. YINKUS: Listeners, please send your answers via SMS to this number ................. If you would like to know where you can access family planning services in your area, you can call ####### (same number). Or go to a clinic, pharmacy or PMV with a sign that says “Get it Together” and has a blue, yellow and orange puzzle pieces logo.

35. BOSUN: And of course, you know you can also connect with us on Facebook at the “Get it Together Ibadan/Ilorin” page. Listeners, thanks for hanging out with us. Make it a date every Wednesday at 4pm/Saturday at 5.30pm Until then, I’m Bosun “DA Boss!”

36. YINKUS: And of course I remain your Yinkus! O da booo! (Till next time).

37. MUSIC: THEME MUSIC UP & UNDER PROGRAMME SPONSORSHIP & BY-LINE (GET IT TOGETHER, PLAN YOUR FAMILY)