

FUMC ESL 3-5-2018 High Intermediate Lesson

**Pronunciation:**

When a word ends with a consonant followed by an SE, you pronounce the sound as S.  
Say these words:

false	horse	else	nurse	rinse	purse
license	course	expense	worse	sense	immerse

When a word ends with a vowel followed by an E, SE, you sometimes say S and sometimes say Z.

S		Z	
case	lease	these	choose
chase	grease	lose	cheese
erase	increase	whose	because
dose	loose	raise	disease
mouse	purpose	noise	surprise
house		please	advertise

**Say these sentences as quickly as you can.**

Whose purse is this?	My expenses increase.
Choose something else.	Please grease these pans.
Chase the mouse.	Increase business. (first s is z, second two are s)
The horse often loses.	Erase the answers on the true-false test.

**Phrasal Verbs with GET: Explain the meaning.**

- I'm trying to get in here. Get out of my way.
- I can't get over that Chad doesn't want to go out with me anymore.
- The robbers got away with a million dollars.
- Get on with your life. You'll find another boyfriend.
- He gets around the tax laws by keeping his money in the Dominican Republic.
- I don't get along with my neighbors.
- I have enough money to get by until payday.
- Dinner is finished. Let's get down to business.
- We got into nursing school.
- I get out of doing the dishes by doing homework.
- Mother got after him for not helping with the housework.
- The cat crawled under the sofa to get at the mouse hiding there.
- I don't understand what you're getting at.
- I get to go to Disney World next week.

**Write a sentence with each of these phrases.**

get caught	
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get permission	
get a joke	
get sick	
get going	
get to stay up	

**Read the conversations and explain the underlined “get” idioms. Tell what happened in the conversation.**

**Jo:** I graduated last week and I expect to get a good job soon. I’m going to look at cars today.

**Sam:** Don’t get ahead of yourself. Don’t you think you should get a job before you get a car? How will you get a loan when you haven’t gotten a job?

**Jo:** I got hold of a car dealer who said he’d fix me up with a loan. He promised I’d get the red carpet treatment. I can’t get along without a car. How will I get to the job interviews?

*Do you think Jo is making a good decision or should she wait until she has a job to look at cars?*

**Sandy:** I’m getting on a plane for Cozumel in two days. I get two weeks of vacation this year and plan to spend it all on the beach. I can’t wait to get away from it all. I work next to a woman who talks all the time. I try to have a conversation with her but I can’t get a word in edgewise. It is getting on my nerves.

**Stu:** I’m surprised you can get time off at this time of year. Isn’t this when you accountants get busy?

**Sandy:** We don’t really get busy until March. I’ll get back before then. It will be hard to get back in the swing of things after lying on the beach for two weeks. I will have to get my ducks in a row the very first day I’m back.

**Stu:** I can’t get over how fast you have moved up in the company. You must really get on with your boss.

**Sandy:** I got a lucky break when I started. They needed someone to organize the books, and that’s my specialty. Apparently, I really got them out of a jam. The company’s books were a mess. They had an old accountant that constantly got his wires crossed. I got everything straightened out and the company got rid of the old accountant.

**Stu:** But how do you stay focused on doing what is most essential?

**Sandy:** I get a feel for what is most important each day, and I don’t get sidetracked into doing other things. Don’t worry, Stu. You’ll get the hang of it before long. I’m sure you’ll get the nod to be a manager before long.

*Who probably has the better job, Stu or Sandy?*

*Explain how Sandy does so well in his company.*

**Kay:** Mom, why do I always get the short end of the stick. The boys always get to go fishing with Dad and I have to stay home.

**Mom:** You don’t even like to fish.

**Kay:** You don’t even care that I always get the worst of the bargain!

**Mom:** Kay, you need to get over it. The boys and your dad love to fish so they go fishing together. You don’t like to fish, so you stay home. Don’t let it get under your skin. You’re getting worked up over nothing. I’m sure your dad will take you to a movie when he gets through cleaning the fish. Now get to your feet and help me fold the laundry.

*Is Mom wrong to dismiss Kay’s real feelings or is she right to encourage Kay to move on?*