

Enhancing your Vocabulary:

Words you may not know: Read the sentence and take a guess at what the word means. See if you can think of a sentence using this word.

- 1.flabby: My belly is so flabby.
- 2.flimsy: These cheap toys are so flimsy they will probably break within a week.
- 3.floss: The dentist said I must floss my teeth.
- 4.fluke: It was such a fluke that Jim and I were on the same flight to Tokyo.
- 5.flex: The weightlifters at the gym flex their muscles a lot.
- 6.flurry: The weatherman said to expect snow flurries this evening.
- 7.fling: He picked up the hand grenade and flung it back at the enemy. OR Terry and Doug had a fling last summer when they both attended the convention.
- 8.flicker: There is nothing more romantic than getting cozy in front of a flickering fire. or The shadows flickered across the ceiling.
- 9.flee: The conditions are so bad there that people are fleeing across the border.
- 10.flustered: When the pretty girl spoke to the young man he was flustered and couldn't immediately answer.

Using Prepositions--"FOR"

Name something you do:

- 1.for exercise _____
- 2.for fun _____
- 3.for money _____
- 4.for relaxation _____
- 5.for security _____
- 6.for meanness _____

Discuss these "for" questions. Teachers: Make sure everyone gets a chance to talk.

- 7.What are you famous for?
- 8.What have you been rewarded for?
- 9.What have you apologized for recently?
- 10.What are you always ready for?
- 11.What have you been criticized for?
- 12.What is something you have paid for?
- 13.As a child, what were you punished for?
- 14.Are you known more for giving great parties or being a hard worker?
- 15.What jobs have you applied for?
- 16.What have you trained for?
- 17.What do you usually shop for?
- 18.What is one thing you would fight for?
- 19.What are you hungry for?
- 20.What do you have a good recipe for?
- 21.Who would you vote for if you could vote in the US presidential election?
- 22.What is something that is good for you?
- 23.If red is for stop and green is for go, what is yellow for?
- 24.Have you ever gotten something for free?
- 25.What have you tried out for?
- 26.What or who do you take for granted?
- 27.What trick have you fallen for?
- 28.What is one thing you won't stand for?
- 29.When did you first fall for your spouse?

Other uses of “for”:

- 1.For use or for the use of is a common expression: These books are for use by our students while they are in class. They are not to be taken home.
- 2.For can mean despite: For all her experience, she’s not a very good secretary.
- 3.For can mean the person responsible: That problem is for you to solve. That information is for me to know and you to find out.
- 4.For can describe a sense or talent: She has a talent for dancing. She has an ear for music. She has a knack for drawing.
- 5Someone who has “a nose for gossip” likes spreads news to others.
- 6Someone who has “an eye for the girls” likes to admire pretty women.
- 7.For can indicate an unusual fact: Frank is tall for his age. He plays well for a beginner.
- 8.You can prefer something: I have a preference for jobs where you work with your hands.
- 9.For once means for the first time: Would you please try to get to school on time for once!
- 10.Once and for all means immediately and forever: They decided to stop smoking once and for all.
- 11.For the time being means for the immediate future: We’ll leave Jerry in charge of the store for the time being.
- 12.For the best means a situation might be unpleasant but it may have a good result: I was sad when my dog died, but it was for the best, because he was suffering a lot.
- 13.See for yourself means investigate personally: I didn’t believe him, so I decided to see for myself.
14. For heaven’s sake is an expression of surprise: One of my old friends from high school won one million dollars in the lottery. Oh, for heaven’s sake, what a surprise.

Group discussion:

- 1-When we get married in the U.S., we usually promise to stick together “for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health”. What promises did you make to your spouse in your wedding? Are there any promises in the marriage ceremony that you don’t feel comfortable with? Did you write your own wedding vows?
- 2-Is it more difficult to be married when you are rich or poor? Does being rich have any disadvantages?
- 3-Do you think married couples need to set aside time each week for each other? Do you?
- 4-Is marriage counseling for troubled marriages only, or is it good for all marriages?
- 5-Do you agree that, “Marriage is not for everyone.”?
- 6-What is the hardest thing about marriage? What is the greatest thing about marriage?
- 7-When someone loses their spouse when they are quite old, is it OK for them to marry again or does that betray the spouse they have spent a lifetime with?
- 8-Is your culture supportive of people who choose to remain single?
- 9-In the U.S., a “cougar” is an older woman who likes to date younger men. Actress Demi Moore is 50 and was dating a man 26. Is that scandalous? Would it be if she were 26 and he was 50?
- 10-Celebrities seem to have a hard time staying married? Why is that?