

FUMC ESL High Intermediate Lesson

Practice these conversations with a partner and discuss in your group. Ask the teacher to explain any sentences you do not understand.

A: Hello, I need to register for a class.

B: What class are you trying to take?

A: I want to take a Psychology class.

B: Well, there are only two classes open.

A: Can you tell me what days the classes are on?

B: One class is on Tuesday and Thursday from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

A: And the other class?

B: That class is from ten to twelve on Monday and Wednesday.

A: Are you sure these are the only open classes?

B: Yes, I am sure.

A: Okay, sign me up for the class on Monday and Wednesday.

A: Excuse me, can you help me?

B: Sure, what's up?

A: I have no idea where my class is. It's supposed to be in this building, but I can't find it.

B: What's the room number.

A: It's B-105. I found 105, but not B-105. I've checked the 2nd floor as well. But the numbers up there all begin with 2.

B: B stands for basement. B-105 is one of the basement classrooms.

A: Do you mind telling me how to get to the basement?

B: Of course. Take those stairs over there. They'll take you down to the basement. Room 105 should be on the west side.

A: Thanks for your help.

B: Sure. Good luck finding it. It's kind of a maze down there.

A: Where can I buy textbooks?

B: First, you need to have the list of books for your class. Do you have that?

A: Yes, I do.

B: Well, when you have that, you can take it over to the bookstore. Can you find it?

A: No, I don't know where the bookstore is.

B: The bookstore is in the Co-op across the street. Do you know that you can turn in your old textbooks and get some money back?

A: Really? How can I do that?

B: Take your used textbooks with you and give them to the representative near the entrance. He will pay you for them. Are you going today?

A: No, I can't make it today.

B: I could help you with buying your books if you meet me there at 1:00 today or tomorrow. Would you like my help?

A: I think I can manage on my own. But thank you for offering

B: I'll see you later then. Have a great day!

A: Do you know anything about Dr. Miller's classes?

B: Yes. I had him last semester. Are you in his class this semester?

A: I'm thinking of taking his class. I haven't registered yet.

B: He really knows his stuff, but he grades hard. I was lucky to get out with a C.

A: I don't mind the grading. I want a professor that knows his field well.

B: You'll like Dr. Miller then. And he has a good sense of humor. I enjoy a professor with a sense of humor. Don't you?

A: Having a sense of humor isn't important to me. I just want to learn from him.

B: Well you certainly will learn a lot if you are willing to work hard. Good luck.

A: Excuse me, Professor, is there a time when I could meet with you?

B: I could meet with you tomorrow anywhere from two until four. What time works best for you?

A: I would like to come in at three o'clock.

B: Good. I'll see you in my office at 3. Do you think you can find my office? It's in the annex next door. You just follow the walkway to the outside and climb the stairs to the third floor.

A: I'm sure I can find it.

B: If you do get lost, just ask someone in the building to point the way.

A: Thank you, I'll be there.

B: If you need to cancel your appointment, please give me a call! I have a lot of students wanting to meet with me.

A: Don't worry. I'll be there.

Discuss:

1-Have you attended college courses in the U.S.?

2-Do you like professors that can make you laugh?

3-Is it important to get good grades in college?

4-Do you plan to attend college here?

5-Do you get lost often in Austin?

6-Is it easy to meet people here?

7-If you went back to school, what kind of classes would you take?

8-Describe a favorite teacher.