

## FUMC ESL 1-28-2013 Advanced Lesson

Match these abbreviations and phrases with the statements below. Cross out the words in the chart when you use them. Then discuss in your group the words or abbreviations you did not use.

3D	DWI	RSVP	tsp.	tbsp.
mph	lbs	et al.	i.e.	bbq
awol	NASA	ceo	AA	ATM
sitcom	asap	aka	bachelor pad	hand it over
hand-outs	vibes	math whiz	yuk	take a hike
whatever	as we speak	be my guest	bite your tongue	autograph

1-I like to see three dimensional movies where you have to wear the funny glasses. Things seem to swim right in front of your eyes. You feel like you could reach right out and touch them.

2-This guy's name is Anthony Buentello, also known as Tony.

3-Look, that's Lady Gaga. I hope she'll sign my shirt. Come on, let's ask her for her \_\_\_\_\_.

4-\_\_\_\_\_, this stuff tastes awful.

5-I'm hungry. Let's go get some barbeque.

6-The soldier got arrested for being absent without leave. He left the Army base without permission.

7-You were speeding. You were going 25 miles per hour over the speed limit.

8-The family has no money. They need food and clothes for the children. I tried to give them some used clothes, but they said they wouldn't take any \_\_\_\_\_.

9-My father is the chief executive officer of his company.

10-Please call me as soon as possible.

11-My uncle used to be a big drinker. But after he got his second ticket for driving while intoxicated, he started going to Alcoholic Anonymous meetings. Now he doesn't drink at all.

12-My son and several of his single friends have rented a house and moved in together. I think they have a lot of parties. It is a real \_\_\_\_\_.

13-I don't have any cash with me. Do you know where there is an anytime machine?

14-Hey, that's mine. Give it back. Come on \_\_\_\_\_.

**Teachers: Assign each pair of students a conversation. Ask them to read the conversation and explain what is going on. Then make another sentence with the underlined phrases.**

A: I'm looking for a good plumber. Do you know one?

B: I have a name for a plumber that is supposed to be good. But I know him by reputation only.

C: I don't trust that guy. There is something strange about him. I don't think you should go anywhere with him by yourself.

D: Jack, you are suspicious by nature. I don't think there is anything wrong with him at all.

E: How was your trip to New York?

F: It went well. I flew standby so I wasn't sure I would get on a flight. But it was mid-week, so the flights weren't crowded. I got on the first flight and arrived in New York earlier than I had planned. It gave me a few hours to tour the city before meeting with my clients.

G: I know you don't like Lisa very much, but she stood by me when I was in trouble. I owe her a debt of gratitude for that.

H: I don't really dislike Lisa. It's just that we didn't hit it off the first time we met.

I: I bought some new "miracle cleaner". I don't know if it will work, but the TV commercial made it look great. It's called "Greenclean".

J: Oh, my mother swears by that stuff.

K: Why don't you and your wife drop by this weekend. My family is visiting from Cairo and I think you'd enjoy meeting them.

L: I'd love to drop by. I've been fascinated with Egypt since I went there after graduation.

M: How is your uncle Tom doing? I know things have probably been rough for him since he lost his job.

N: He is barely getting by. I'm worried what he will do when his unemployment benefits run out.

O: Hello, Edward. Do you go by Edward or Ed?

P: Most people call me Eddie.

Q: Run that by me again.

R: OK. Mother's train arrives at 4 PM. Fifteen minutes later, Dad's flight lands. So you'll need to run by the train station to pick up Mom, then go on to the airport to pick up Dad. He'll be waiting for you in the arrivals terminal.

Q: That's a lot to remember. I hope I don't mess up.

S: I wanted to see Pride and Prejudice last night, but my husband refused to watch it. He said it was a chick flick.

T: My husband is the same. He loves action movies with plenty of guns and blood. We definitely don't agree about movies.

### **TOEFL Vocabulary - Answer these questions with your group. The definition is in parenthesis.**

1-What is something you have an affinity for?

(natural attraction)

2-Name some hackneyed phrases.

(over used, cliched)

3-Do you think first time offenders should be shown clemency, or should the judge throw the book at them?

(mercy)

4-What accolades have you won?

(award of merit)