

FUMC ESL 5-9-2016 Level 3 Lesson

Listening Test: Teachers read the numbered sentence. Students silently circle the correct answer. Afterwards teachers tell correct answers and help students understand their errors.

1. When she read the letter, she couldn't believe her eyes.

What does the woman mean?

- a. She couldn't see the letter well enough to read it.
- b. She was amazed by what the letter said.
- c. She was surprised to receive another letter.
- d. She didn't realize she had read the letter before.

2. We have to make allowances for Jimmy. He's the youngest child in the class. Of course he's not as mature as the others.

What does the woman say about Jimmy?

- a. We should give him an allowance
- b. We should give him a maturity test
- c. We should be tougher on Jimmy
- d. We should be patient with him because of his age

3. You want two hundred dollars for that old bike! You must be kidding.

What does the woman think.

- a. The bike is overpriced.
- b. The bike is worth two hundred dollars.
- c. The bike is broken.
- d. The bike is worth a lot more than two hundred dollars.

4. The store is not as profitable as the buyers were led to believe.

What is the woman saying?

- a. The store is not profitable.
- b. The store isn't really for sale.
- c. The leader of the store is making too much money.
- d. Someone told the buyers the store made more money than it does.

5. I could see he was tall and had curly hair, but I couldn't make out his face.

What is the woman saying?

- a. The man was too tall.
- b. She couldn't see his face well.
- c. She doesn't like tall, curly haired men.
- d. She couldn't face him.

6. The gate at the army base is manned around the clock.

What does the woman mean?

- a. There is a clock on the gate.
- b. There is a new man at the gate.
- c. There is a guard at the gate 24 hours a day.
- d. The base needs a new gate.

7. It is very difficult to measure up to my dad's expectations.

What can we assume about her dad?

- a. Her dad has extremely high expectations.

- b. Her dad likes to measure things.
- c. Her dad expects her to measure things.
- d. Her dad doesn't agree with the expectations.

8. Large families are the norm in Utah.

What does the woman mean?

- a. Few people in Utah have big families
- b. All the children are normal in Utah.
- c. Many people in Utah have large families.
- d. Families in Utah aren't normal.

Practice Pronouncing Double Vowels

—In the double vowels “ai” and “ay”, the first vowel is long (says it's name) and the second vowel is silent. Pronounce these words.

stray	holiday	Monday	stain	faith	sprain	plain	aim	afraid
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—In the double vowel “oa” or “oe” the first vowel is long and the second vowel is silent.

toe	tiptoe	goes	doe	toaster	goal	roam	throat	coal
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—In the double vowel “ie” there are two ways to pronounce the word. This can be very confusing. In some words the i is silent and the e is long.

brief	field	chief	piece	niece	achieve	bodies	bunnies	buried	hygiene
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—In a few number of words the i is long and the e is silent

allied	applies	lie	tie	spies	fried	replied	die	pie
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—And there are always exceptions that are pronounced differently: pier, cashier, chandelier, mischief

—There are **four** ways to pronounce the double vowel “ou”.

like short u as in cut	like oo as in food	like ow as in cow	like o as in no
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Teachers-Make a chart on the whiteboard with these four sounds. Have the students come to the board and write each of the words in the table below under the correct sound.

touch	couch	wound (as in an injury)	you	about	round	cousin	four
courage	noun	coupon	youth	rough	country	tourist	course
soup	group	bounce	southern	south	couple	foul	court
account	trouble	mouse	cloud	hour	group	mouth	gourd
nourish	ground	encourage	shout	routine	crouton	sour	pour