

FUMC ESL 2-16-2017 High Intermediate Lesson

GRAMMAR PRACTICE: Are these sentences correct? How can you correct them?

1. I be hungry. You can't be hungry, you just had a huge ice cream cone.
2. I be afraid. Don't be afraid, it's only a little spider.
3. Does this answer be right? No, it can't be right.
4. Will the suitcase be heavy? It might be. I have lots of books in it.
5. My girlfriend always beats when we play poker. She always wins me.
6. We were late because of it rained. We were wet because of the rain.
7. I'll call you before I will come.
8. How do you begin the washing machine?
9. What are you wearing below your sweater?
10. I have big respect for his ideas.
11. The river is one mile large.
12. I borrowed my coat to Kim and I never saw it again. May I lend a dollar?

PRONUNCIATION PRACTICE

1-Pronounce these words. Pay attention to the way the final "y" sounds in these words.
silly - happy - silently - delivery - buy - apply - butterfly - fly

2-Pronounce these three words: cycle bicycle tricycle

Did you notice that when the prefix is added the pronunciation changes? There is no rule or reason for this.

3-Pronounce these words. How is the "y" pronounced in each word: gym crystal cycle typical syllable cyber

4-Pronounce these words. Which one has a different sound for "c"? city country cellar

5-Say this sentence. What "c" sounds do you hear?
We cycle in the city but drive a car in the country.

6-Pronounce these "g" words: gym.. giant.. gem.. gun.. gum.. garden.. gas

There is a rule for the different "g" sounds. When an E, I or Y follows the G, pronounce as "j". When U or A follows the "g", it sounds like "ga".

7-Say these words and decide which one doesn't rhyme in each row.

- a) plate eight shape
- b) early curly worry
- c) hand rant tanned
- d) mall mail haul
- e) male tail mate
- f) hurt heart start

Confusing Words

1. You **deal** cards, but **deal with** complaints.
2. If you **anger** someone, they are **angry with** you.
3. If you **bore** someone, they think you are **boring**.

4. You can **approve** of something or you can **give your approval**.
5. You can **advise** someone or **give advice**. You cannot **give advise**.
6. If you **accept** something, you receive it. **Except** means excluding. (All of the girls except Mary are wealthy.)
7. You can **breathe** or take a **breath**, but not **take a breathe**.
8. **Beside** means next to. (Chad sat beside his dog.) **Besides** means except for. (No one besides Charley is going to the party.)
9. You can **lay** something down. (We will **lay** the keys on the table.) The past tense is **laid**. (We **laid** the keys on the table.) But when you get horizontal, you **lie** down. (**Lie** down and look up at the stars.) Past tense is **lay**. (We **lay** on the grass and looked at the stars.)
10. **Loose** means not tight. **Lose** means not winning.

Weird Word for Today: daft

It means silly or foolish. When someone says something crazy, you say, "Are you daft?" Try it out on someone. You may find Americans that don't know this word. It is an old word, more popular in my mother and grandmothers day. I remember my grandmother saying, "Don't be daft." She was telling me that I was being silly or crazy or maybe just wrong.

DISCUSS:

1—Did you have a good relationship with your grandparents?

Tell something you remember a grandparent saying to you.

Did your grandparents call you special names?

Do you think a grandparents love is different than a parents?

My grandfather was full of fun and loved to make jokes. My brother and I loved playing with him. He carved little toys out of wood. He made my brother a little airplane out of a tin can. He taught us how to use a slingshot to scare away stray dogs that scared us. He made us a swing that hung from a tall tree and would go really high. Tell us something about your favorite grandparent.

2—Are you closer to your sister/brother or your friend?

Do you think having siblings is better than being an only child?

What are the advantages and disadvantages to each?

Are there things you would share only with a sibling that you would never talk about with a friend?

I have a brother. We are friends and I love him, but he is not my best friend. I think it is harder for a sister and brother to be close than two sisters or two brothers. What do you think?

3—Do you have a large extended family (uncles, aunts, cousins)? Do you get together with your extended family often? What occasions do you celebrate with your extended family? Who is the head of your extended family?