

FUMC ESL 4-13-2017 Advanced Lesson: Still, Yet, Already, Any More, Any Longer, No Longer

Choose a question and talk to the group for a minute or two.

- 1.If it was already bad and has gotten worse, we say it has, “gone from bad to worse”. Talk about something you know of that has gone from bad to worse.
- 2.When you “get off on the wrong foot”, you make a bad start with someone. EX: Bill and Sara got off on the wrong foot because he was two hours late picking her up. Talk about a time when you “got off on the wrong foot” with someone and tell how that turned out.
3. The phrase, “Two wrongs don’t make a right.” means that a wrongful action is not a morally appropriate way to correct or cancel a previous wrongful action. Give an example (either from real life or one you make up) of this condition.
4. Explain the phrase, “The right hand doesn’t know what the left hand is doing.” Give an example of this. Do you ever feel like this is true of your family or your work?
- 5.If your, “heart is in the right place”, you have good intentions even if the results are bad. Describe a situation where your heart was in the right place, but the results were bad.
- 6.If you “put something right, “ you correct something that has gone wrong. Have you ever been in a situation with a friend where you had to “put things right”?

Explain the difference between these two statements.

It is 10 o’clock and Joe is still in bed.
It is 10 o’clock and Joe is already in bed.

Lucy has worked here longer.
Lucy no longer works here.

Lucy doesn’t work here any more.
Lucy doesn’t work here yet.

Are you still going out with Jack?
Have you gone out with Jack yet?

I wrote to him, but he still hasn’t replied.
I wrote to him, but he hasn’t replied yet.

They’re still repairing the road.
They’re already repairing the road.

Ben doesn’t live in Seattle any longer.
Ben no longer lives in Seattle.

Has he paid you back yet?
Has he paid you back already?

Finish these sentences with a phrase beginning with still or already.

- 1.Mike lost his job a year ago and he is _____.
- 2.Shall I tell Joey what happened or does he _____.
- 3.I was hungry, but we ate a lot of chips. Are you _____.
- 4.We have a lot of homework. Have you _____.

5. Jim used to work at the airport, but I don't know if he _____.
6. Shall I introduce you to Joe? We've _____.
7. Do you live in the same place you used to? Yes, we are _____.
8. Is Tim here yet? No, he _____.

Idioms with "still"

Match the idioms with their meanings below.

1. My heart stood still when I heard there had been another bombing.
2. Still waters run deep.
3. Hold still while I pin up your dress.
4. The jury is still out on that project.
5. I won't sit still for that.
6. The courtroom was so still you could hear a pin drop.
7. Better still, you could bring me some ice cream.

- more satisfactorily
- heart stops beating due to strong emotions
- don't move
- no decision has been made
- people who say little often have very complex thoughts
- very quiet
- remain idle