

FUMC ESL 10-1-2018 Low Intermediate Lesson

Practice pronouncing vowels in the middle of words:

pill - pile - pull - pole	bit - but - bat - bet	bat - bait	tin - tiny
tan - take - talk	Tom - tun - tan - tin	cone - con - come	sing - sung - song - sang

Practice listening for the final consonant N or M. Listen to the teacher and circle the word you hear. Then check your work and practice pronouncing the word pairs.

win - rim	chin - chime	ten - team	worm - warn	foam - fun
ram - ran	gain - game	ham - harm	drum - drain	lain - lame

Last week we did an opposite exercise. There are several prefixes that mean “opposite”.

NON is a prefix that means the **opposite**. So you have the words **sense** and **nonsense**.

EX: His argument made sense. His argument was nonsense.

Does this argument make sense or is it nonsense? “Practicing a sport makes you better at it.”

NON can also mean **not**. EX: The flight is non-stop (no stops). This milk is non-fat (no fat) . I prefer to read non-fiction (not fiction - true) books. I work for a non-profit (no profit) organization. This purchase is non-refundable (no refund). This is a non-smoking restaurant (no smoking allowed).

Discuss:

1. Are you a smoker or a non-smoker? Do you mind if people smoke while you eat?
2. Whole milk is 4% fat. 2% milk has half the fat. 1% milk has one quarter the fat. Skim milk is non-fat. Which type of milk do you drink?
3. Do you like to read fiction or non-fiction books?
4. Would you buy something that is non-refundable?

UN is also an opposite prefix. So you say “Plug in the TV.” or “Unplug the TV”. Tell what these sentences mean.

EX: That was an **unkind** remark. (What she said was not kind.)

1. An **unknown** man left a package at my door.
2. Our team lost the game because they were **unlucky**.
3. Please help me **unload** the truck.
4. Please **unlock** the door.
5. The car was **unmanned**.
6. This pregnancy was **unplanned**.
7. My appointment at the dentists was **unpleasant**.
8. Selling magazines was **unprofitable**.
9. It is **unsafe** to swim in the river when it is flooding.
10. The man was dirty and **unshaven**.

IL means opposite or not. It is **illegal** (not legal) to park here. The boy is **illiterate** (no literacy, can't read)

IM means opposite or not. Learning English is **impossible** (not possible) without a good teacher. This coat was cheap because it is **imperfect** (not perfect, something wrong with it). It is **impolite** (not polite) to leave in the middle of a concert.

DIS means opposite or not. I **disagree** with her answer. She is **disabled**. The boy **disappeared**. Please **disconnect** my computer.

Read these conversations and answer the questions.

Kay: My dad had a bad fall. He is in the hospital. I want to fly home to see him. But it is **impossible** to find a **non-stop** flight right now.

Lori: I'm sorry about your dad. Why did he fall?

Kay: The steps at his house are **unsafe**. It was raining. He slipped on the steps.

Lori: Hospitals are **unpleasant**. I hope you can fly there

Kay: Many flights are full. It is hard to fly when your trip is.

Questions:

1. Who's in the hospital?
2. What kind of flight does Kay want?
3. Why did Kay's dad fall?
4. What is unpleasant?
5. Was Kay's trip planned?

Len: These are **inexpensive** sweaters. They must be **imperfect**.

Salesperson: Yes, some are **discolored**.

Len: Maybe if I wash them, they will be **perfect**.

Salesperson: These sweaters are **non-refundable**. You can't return them for a **refund**.

Len: Oh well. Maybe I'll just buy one of the **full price** sweaters.

Questions:

1. Why were the sweaters inexpensive?
2. Why did Len decide to buy the full price sweaters?