

FUMC ESL 11-8-2018 High Intermediate Lesson

Pronunciation: (Teachers, ask the students if there are any words in the tables below that they don't know the meaning of.)

These words have the long A sound: bake, rake, day, same, late, stay

These words also have the long A sound, but they are spelled quite differently. Practice pronouncing these words.

break	steak	great	eight	hey	weigh
they	veil	prey	vein	obey	freight

These words have the long E sound: eel, even, legal, she

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baby	field	shield	niece	piece	priest
shriek	pier	relieve	belief	beach	ski
beam	receipt	ceiling	neither	weird	seize

These words have the long O sound: rose, oval, hotel, no, gecko

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sew	dough	boulder	soul	coal	toast
borrow	toe	foe	though	row	stow

Tell if these words have the long vowel sound:

cow	low	boat	south	bread	bead	reach
head	beast	health	best	baste	waist	breath

IN THE LIBRARY.....Students: Read this conversation that occurs in a library then answer the questions.

Cal: Excuse me, I need to use an English-Spanish dictionary.

Librarian: You'll find that in the reference section on the 2nd floor.

Cal: I'm also looking for a novel set in 19th century England.

Librarian: All our novels will be in the fiction section. That is also on the 2nd floor.

Cal: My daughter wants to browse your magazines. Where are they kept?

Librarian: The periodicals are right behind you on the racks.

Cal: Do I need a library card to use this library?

Librarian: You may use any of our materials here in the library without a card. But to check books out, you must have a card.

Cal: OK, thanks. Do you have a copy machine?

Librarian: It's in the hallway near the restrooms.

Questions:

1. *Where can Cal find a dictionary?*
2. *Where can he find a novel?*
3. *What is another name for magazines?*
4. *Does Cal need a library card?*
5. *Where is the copy machine?*
6. *Do you use the Austin libraries?*
7. *Is there a branch library near you?*
8. *How many books do you read in a typical year?*
9. *Where do you do most of your reading?*

Book Idioms:

go by the book: to follow the rules exactly EX: My accountant insists on doing everything by the book. She wants to be creative, but her manager insists everything go by the book.

Question: Many times it is an insult to say someone "goes by the book". It implies they are not flexible. In other words, they follow the rules, even if common sense says you should not. What are the advantages and disadvantages of a boss who "goes by the book". If you had a job managing an office, would you go by the book or "play it by ear" (act according to the circumstances rather than a rulebook or plan)?

crack a book: open a book in order to study EX: Sara seldom cracks a book on the weekends.

Question: When you were a student, did you crack your books on the weekends? Did you often wait til the last minute to study or prepare?

an open book: If a person doesn't try to hide anything about their life and feels comfortable with people knowing about her life, she's an open book. EX: Since she ran for governor, her life has been an open book.

Question: A politician or movie star often finds their lives are an open book. Because they are famous, they can't go anywhere or do anything without someone knowing about it. Would you want to be a star, even if it meant your life was an open book?

throw the book at: to punish someone severely EX: The judge threw the book at the child molester.

Question: What crimes should be punished most severely? Are there any crimes that you think are punished too severely?

Twenty two states in the U.S. have removed the possibility of jail time for possession of marijuana. Do agree that possessing a small amount of drugs should not be punished with a jail sentence, or do you think that just encourages more drug use?

coffee table book: a large, expensive book with lots of pictures EX: The artist published his work in a coffee table book.

Question: Do you own any coffee table books? Describe them.

Don't judge a book by it's cover.-You can't tell what someone is really like by looking at them.

Question: What are some things you can tell by looking at someone? Is it right to make judgments about people based on how they are dressed or how they look?