

FUMC ESL 2-4-2019 Advanced Lesson

PHRASAL VERBS-Use the words in the table to fill in the blanks below. You may work with a partner. When finished, compare answers with the whole group.

come back	behind closed doors	getting at	behind your back	behind the times
get back	get out of	get back at	cut back	behind on

1. You are having a hard time saying what you mean. You aren't sure your friend understands what you mean. You say:

Do you know what I'm _____.

2. I saw a doctor a few years ago for my back. He gave me some exercises and the pain went away. But I'm hurting again. My back troubles have _____.

3. Your friend plays a cruel joke on you that embarrasses you in front of your girlfriend. You are determined to even the score. You say:

I'll _____ him if it's the last thing I do.

4. Your salary has been reduced. You don't have as much money to spend as before. You tell your wife: Honey, we've really got to _____ on eating out and going to movies.

5. There is a fire in the house across the street. You run over to see if your friend is OK, but the firemen tell you to _____.

6. Your co-workers sometimes talk badly about you when you aren't there to defend yourself. They talk about you _____.

7. Your renter has not paid his rent for two months. You tell him:

You are _____ your rent. You need to pay me.

8. The city council met _____ to decide what salary they would offer the candidates for mayor.

9. I told Margaret I'd help her move. But my back has been acting up and I'm scared I'll hurt it worse if I carry a bunch of boxes. I wish I could _____ helping her move.

10. Your husband refuses to use new technologies. He doesn't have a cell phone or a computer. He is _____.

Read and discuss:

Measles Makes a Comeback:

Several states are experiencing measles outbreaks. State officials believe this is because many parents are now refusing the MMR vaccine for their children. Officials say there has been an active campaign over the last few years by Anti-Vaccination groups to spread fear of MMR vaccinations. They have spread the idea that vaccinations cause Autism. This is a false claim, but unfortunately many parents believe it. Thus, the number of un-vaccinated children has risen dramatically. Unfortunately, now measles has taken hold among this population of children. Prior to 2000, measles had been eradicated in the United States. There would be a few cases every year in people arriving from other areas around the world where

measles vaccinations are not given, but it provided no real threat to the populace because most everyone had been vaccinated. Now, state health officials find themselves fighting measles once again.

Choose the best definition for the words on the left.

comeback	people
outbreak	an injection designed to provide immunity
vaccination	return
taken hold	become strong
populace	sudden increase in activity

Questions:

1. Why has measles made a comeback?
2. Why do some parents fear the MMR vaccine?
3. There is no federal law requiring vaccinations, but many states have laws requiring children be vaccinated before they enter public school. Some parents are able to get exemptions from this requirement by claiming that vaccinating violates their religious or personal beliefs. What is the rule in your country? Do you think we need a federal law requiring vaccinations for all children?

Refusal to Treat Leads to Child Death

A Pennsylvania couple who told police their faith forbids any kind of medical treatment were charged Wednesday in the pneumonia death of their 2-year-old daughter, becoming the latest members of their sect to be prosecuted for failing to take a dying child to a doctor. Jonathan and Grace Foster attributed the Nov. 8 death of their daughter, Ella Grace Foster, to "God's will," according to a police affidavit. They were charged with involuntary manslaughter and child endangerment. "Our laws recognize that you have a duty to care for your child's health and welfare, and we cannot justify a parent not seeking health care for their children when their children are ill," said Berks County District Attorney John Adams.

1. A sect is a group with different religious beliefs than the larger group to which they belong. For example, the LDS (Latter Day Saints, aka Mormons) have a sect called FLDS (Fundamentalist Latter Day Saints) who believe in polygamy. Are there sects in your faith who believe differently than the main group?
2. In the U.S. it is illegal to deny treatment to your child if they are ill. Is that the law in your country? What do you think of this law? Is it the parent's right to deny treatment even if it means the child might die?