

FUMC ESL 2-4-2019 High Intermediate Lesson

Should, Would, Could

Should is used to give advice: "You should wear that shirt because it makes you look thinner." Could is used to ask permission: "Could I borrow that shirt for a party tonight?" Would is used when referring to a situation that may or may not happen: "I really like your shirt. Would you give it to me?"

Fill in the blanks with should, would or could.

1. You _____ invite Karen to dinner. She _____ like to come to your house.
2. You _____ not eat that egg. It has a crack in it. It _____ make you sick.
3. _____ I buy these shoes? They are very expensive. I _____ buy them if they were cheaper.
4. _____ you explain this to me. I do not understand. I _____ study more.
5. _____ you like some almonds on your cereal? I _____ not eat almonds. I'm allergic to nuts.
6. I am hungry. I _____ like something to eat. I _____ eat this fruit, or I _____ eat some candy. Which _____ I do?
7. I _____ leave now. I must pick up my mother at the airport.
8. I _____ pick her up for you, if you like.
9. You _____ take these pills for your headache.
10. If she _____ take her medicine, she _____ feel better.
11. I _____ have listened to the teacher.
12. If I made more money, I _____ afford a car.
13. _____ you tell me the way to the library?
14. All citizens _____ vote in the election.
15. No one knew that one day I _____ be rich.

Using Passive Tense

Change these sentences from past tense to passive tense. Passive tense uses the past tense "to be" (was, were) verb plus the past participle.

Example:

past tense - They built the house in 1890.

past passive - The house was built in 1890

past tense - They made cars in Detroit.

past passive - Cars are made in Detroit.

1. Susan cooked the dinner. _____
2. They painted the house green. _____
3. They bought their shoes at the factory. _____

4. The workers started a fight. _____
5. They made these out of plastic. _____
6. They finished the art work last week. _____
7. The people spoke English at the meeting. _____
8. Karen served the refreshments. _____

In these sentences, change the present tense sentences to the present passive tense. You will use "is, are" plus the past participle of the verb.

EX: present - The teacher gives the students fruit. present passive - The students were given fruit by the teacher.

present - These shoes are made at many factories. present passive - These shoes are made at many factories.

1. The custodians clean the office every day. _____
2. The post office sells stamps. _____
3. They take the injured people to the hospital. _____
4. James mails all our letters. _____
5. Parents discipline their children. _____
6. Hurricanes cause tidal waves. _____

Read and discuss this story:

A family with two children, ages 5 and 7 went to the art museum. While the parents looked at the paintings, the children became bored and began to run through the museum playing tag. A guard stopped the children, took them by the arms and led them to the entry of the museum. He made the children sit at the ticket desk while he went in search of the parents. Meanwhile, the parents realized their children were missing. They were frantic and ran through the museum looking for them. Finally, they decided to go down to the ticket office to ask if anyone had seen them. Sure enough, there sat the children. When told that the guard had brought the children down and made them sit there while he looked for the parents, they were furious. What right did a museum guard have to take their children away and make them sit at the ticket desk? And why didn't someone tell them where the children were? The ticket seller explained that the guard had gone in search of the parents, but obviously had not been able to find them. This did not calm the parents. They shouted at the ticket seller and threatened to sue the museum.

1. In your own words, tell what happened at the museum. Do NOT look at your paper.
2. What do you think about this story? Were the parents negligent? Was the guard in the wrong? Would you be angry if the guard took your children? Did the parents and kids get what they deserved?
3. What would YOU have done if you were the guard in charge of safeguarding the pictures and sculptures in the museum?