

FUMC ESL 5-13-2019 High Intermediate Lesson

Idiom Test----Students: Circle the letter that you think answers the question. When you finish, check them with the group.

1. When she read the letter, she couldn't believe her eyes.

What does the woman mean?

- a. She couldn't see the letter well enough to read it.
- b. She was amazed by what the letter said.
- c. She was surprised to receive another letter.
- d. She didn't realize she had read the letter before.

2. We have to make allowances for Jimmy. He's the youngest child in the class. Of course he's not as mature as the others.

What does the woman say about Jimmy?

- a. We should give him an allowance.
- b. We should give him a maturity test.
- c. We should be tougher on Jimmy.
- d. We should be patient with him because of his age.

3. You want two hundred dollars for that old bike! You must be kidding.

What does the woman think.

- a. The bike is overpriced.
- b. The bike is worth two hundred dollars.
- c. The bike is broken.
- d. The bike is worth a lot more than two hundred dollars.

4. The store is not as profitable as the buyers were led to believe.

What is the woman saying?

- a. The store is not profitable.
- b. The store isn't really for sale.
- c. The leader of the store is making too much money.
- d. Someone told the buyers the store made more money than it does.

5. I could see he was tall and had curly hair, but I couldn't make out his face.

What is the woman saying?

- a. The man was too tall.
- b. She couldn't see his face well.
- c. She doesn't like tall, curly haired men.
- d. She thought he was wearing make-up.

6. The gate at the army base is manned around the clock.

What does the woman mean?

- a. There is a clock on the gate.
- b. There is a new man at the gate.
- c. There is a guard at the gate 24 hours a day.
- d. The base needs a new gate.

7. It is very difficult to measure up to my dad's expectations.

What can we assume about her dad?

- a. Her dad has extremely high expectations.

- b. Her dad likes to measure things.
- c. Her dad expects her to measure things.
- d. Her dad doesn't agree with the expectations.

8. Large families are the norm in Utah.

What does the woman mean?

- a. Few people in Utah have big families
- b. All the children are normal in Utah.
- c. Many people in Utah have large families.
- d. Families in Utah aren't normal.

9. Bobby would have been playing ball until the cows came home if it hadn't been for Suzie dragging him home for dinner.

What does this sentence mean?

- a. Bobby was just about to stop playing ball.
- b. Bobby didn't even want to play ball to begin with.
- c. Bobby prefers nature to athletics.
- d. Bobby would have continued playing ball for a long time.

10. When Brian felt pretty good about getting the a pair of roller-skates for his birthday, until he saw his twin brother Ryan open up his GameBox X-9000, and then Brian felt like he got the short end of the stick.

How did Brian feel?

- a. Brian felt like Ryan received a better gift than he.
- b. Brian was quite pleased with his roller skates.
- c. Brian wanted a long stick that he could use to support himself on hikes.
- d. Brian feels bad for Ryan because Ryan wanted roller-skates.

Pronunciation Practice —There are **four** ways to pronounce the double vowel "ou".

<b>like short u as in cut</b>	<b>like oo as in food</b>	<b>like ow as in cow</b>	<b>like o as in no</b>
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Teachers-Make a chart on the whiteboard with these four sounds. Have the students come to the board and write each of the words in the table below under the correct sound.

touch	couch	wound (as in an injury)	you	about	round	cousin	four
courage	noun	coupon	youth	rough	country	tourist	course
soup	group	bounce	southern	south	couple	foul	court
account	trouble	mouse	cloud	hour	group	mouth	gourd
nourish	ground	encourage	shout	routine	crouton	sour	pour

**Match these words from the chart above with their definitions.**

ability to do something frightening	in sports - an unfair kind of play	in sports- a place with a surface to play on	where your money is held in a bank
a large fruit with a hard skin like a squash or pumpkin	an injury	a small piece of toasted bread served with salad or soup	your aunt's children

a set of actions you usually follow	the route or way to be followed	an acid taste like lemon or vinegar	provide with food to help you grow and be healthy
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**Mark each sentence "agree" or "disagree". Discuss in your group.**

1. I love to meet friends for coffee or tea.
2. I frequently skip meals.
3. I don't buy any processed foods; only fresh.
4. I enjoy planning and preparing meals.
5. I never eat at fast food restaurants.
6. I prefer fish to meat or poultry.
7. I drink sodas almost every day.
8. I have rice at almost every meal.
9. I really miss the food from my country.
10. When I'm angry or sad, I just can't eat anything.
11. I eat snacks between meals.
12. I hate to eat alone.
13. I watch TV while I eat most meals.
14. Ice cream is one of my favorite desserts.