

FUMCESL 2-13-2020 High Intermediate Lesson

Read these conversations with a partner. Explain what is happening. Tell the meaning of the underlined phrases.

Sara: Do you like okra?

Sam: If I'm honest, I don't care for any vegetables. But would you care to join me in a delicious steak?

Shana: Jess is a stay at home dad. He cares for his twin toddlers while his wife works.

Judy: Lucky Mom. She can go off to work each day without a care in the world. I leave my kids in daycare and I always worry they'll get hurt.

Taylor: I was sick last week, so I went to stay with Mom where I could get some TLC (tender loving care).

Kay: Were you under a doctor's care?

Taylor: No, I just had a really bad cold. No flu, thank goodness.

Tom: Our group decided to have lunch brought in today during the meeting to save time. But Kristen ordered a beer with lunch. I felt that was totally inappropriate.

Danielle: You know Kristen and her devil-may-care attitude. She doesn't ever seem to worry about consequences.

Peter: My parents sent me a care package from home. It included all my mom's favorite cookies and a nice pair of wool socks to keep my feet warm in this cold weather.

Terri: Your mom is so thoughtful. Are you going to share some of those delicious cookies?

Peter: Nope. Sorry. These are all for me.

Terri: You can go to the devil then you selfish boy.

Kim: I'm leaving early today.

Tara: Won't your boss care?

Kim: No. As long as I take care of business, he doesn't care when I come in or leave.

Tara: Ok, see you later. Take care.

Mom: Your brother says you aren't paying attention to your math lessons.

Tim: I couldn't care less what my brother says. He doesn't know what he's talking about. He knows little and cares less about my life. He just likes to start trouble by running to you and telling lies about me.

Mom: Well, that takes care of that discussion. I didn't realize you were going to get so upset.

Answer these questions about the conversations.

1. Who hates vegetables?
2. Who cares for toddlers while his wife works?
3. Who went home for some TLC?
4. Who had beer for lunch?
5. Who got a care package?
6. Who won't share his cookies?
7. Who thinks his brother doesn't care about him?
8. Who likes steak?
9. Who worries about their kids in daycare?

10. Who has a devil-may-care attitude?
11. Who takes care of business?
12. Who do you think was the rudest?
13. Who was the kindest?
14. Who has the nicest mom?

Discuss:

1. What's the nicest thing your mom or dad has ever done for you?
2. When do you worry most about your kids?
3. Are you a vegetable person, a meat and potatoes person, or a skip right to dessert person?

More Conversations:

Stu: Please clear the tables so we can get back to work.

Della: Yes, I need to clear up some questions that were asked before lunch. I can't leave with a clear conscience if people are still confused about the process.

Al: That guys car alarm is going off. Let's clear out before the cops come.

Lou: If we run, the cops will just think we were trying to break into the car. I think we should stay and clear all this up. We set the car alarm off accidentally when we leaned against the car.

Al: I steer clear of the cops at all times. They'll blame us even if we didn't do it on purpose.

Ella: Can we use our books on the test?

Nora: The professor didn't make that clear.

Sandra: The view from here is so clear. I can see all the way into the next state.

Shelley: Lucky the air is so clear today. Some days you can't see very far.

Melanie: Has Charlie ever gotten that business with the courts cleared up?

Susan: The judge cleared him of all charges. He's totally in the clear now. And the judge sent a clear message to the prosecutor that no more charges should be brought over this incident. It's clear to me that the prosecutor overstepped his bounds.

Stan: Wow, that car just spun out of control. He barely cleared the light pole.

Kara: Luckily, there was just enough clearance for his car to slide through the opening without hitting the building or the light pole.

Stan: What was that guy thinking driving so fast in these icy conditions?

Kara: He wasn't using his head. I wonder if he'd been drinking earlier.

Stan: Might have been. He wasn't clear-headed, that's for sure.

Answer the questions about the conversation.

1. Who wants to clear out?
2. Who was cleared of all charges?
3. Who sent a clear message?
4. Who was not clear-headed?
5. What did the professor not make clear?
6. Who had just enough clearance?
7. Who overstepped his bounds?