

FUMC ESL 3-5-2020 Advanced Lesson

Another poem for practicing pronunciation of F and P sounds. Enjoy!

One fresh fall day, Paul went to the fair.
To find some fun and food.
But while hopping a fence, he ripped his pants,
Which put him in a foul mood.
But he found a fine friend, and prayed she would mend,
The rip before it could fray;
And although he was pierced, with a patch on the seat,
He went to the feast anyway.

Read and discuss.

Sara: This cold, rainy weather is awful. I'm soaked to the skin and chilled to the bone. I thought I would freeze to death before I made it home.

Katy: I'm so worried about my daughter. She went off to school wearing only a light sweater. I told her the temperature was going to drop after the front hit, but I couldn't get through to her. She's a teenager now and is driving me to distraction with her obstinacy.

Sara: I understand. My daughter, Ruth, is starving herself to death. I believe in watching what you eat, but Ruth carries it to extremes. I served a roast chicken for dinner, but Ruth wouldn't touch it. Too many calories, she claimed. And that chicken was cooked to perfection, if I do say so myself.

Katy: It's hard to take when you prepare something special for your kids and they won't eat it. My daughter is on a gluten free diet. She subscribes to the idea that any gluten will absolutely ruin her life. She cleaned my cupboard from top to bottom, removing any food that contains flour. I was fit to be tied when I found out.

Sara: All my efforts to get Ruth to eat more have been to no avail. My husband thinks she's getting too big for her britches and we should punish her. But I'm torn because I remember how much I hated my parents bossing when I was Ruth's age. Choosing what to eat is one small thing she has control over. It's her way of showing her independence. She's just starting to spread her wings. I hate to squelch her identity.

1. What was this conversation about?
2. Who is "starving herself to death"?
3. Who carries dieting to extremes?
4. What kind of diet is Katy's daughter on?
5. How did Katy feel after her daughter emptied the cupboard?
6. What does Sara's husband think?
7. Why is Sara "torn"?
8. How much freedom should teens be given to choose their own diet?
9. Many teenage girls are obsessed with the desire to be very thin. The fear of Anorexia is strong among parents of teen girls. Is this a concern in your country?
10. Do you think extremely thin models are a bad role model for girls?
11. How would you deal with a daughter that refuses to eat normally?
12. Is being overly concerned with body image a problem only in western countries?

Grammar Practice: Chose one of the following to fit the sentence. You may not use the same answer more than once.

a- interested b-interest c-interesting d-of interest e-of no interest

1. The data on the winter migration patterns of the monarch butterfly is very ____.
2. Jeff, this article on the migration patterns of monarch butterflies might be ____ to you.
3. Thanks for the article, but reading about migration patterns is _____ to me.
4. I just can't seem to get my son ____ in science
5. Do you have any ____ in tracking monarch butterfly migrations?

a-other than b-another c-one or the other d-every other e-on the other hand

6. _____ field you might enjoy exploring is geology.
7. Geology lectures will be offered ____ day throughout the semester.
8. You can register for biology or geology, but you must take ____ in order to graduate.
9. _____ the science courses you must still complete, your course requirements are satisfied.
10. _____, you might choose to take more math electives before you apply to medical school, as you will be needing a strong background in math to handle the chemistry courses required.

a-out of the way b-all out c-out loud d-out of e-set out

11. David Livingstone _____ to find the headwaters of the Nile River.
12. Stanley called Livingstone's name _____, but heard no reply.
13. When Stanley was told Livingstone was just ahead, he pushed through the crowd, nudging everyone _____.
14. Henry Stanley made an _____ effort to find Dr. Livingstone.
15. Despite Livingstone's six years in Africa in search of the Nile headwaters, he never found them and so, despite all his efforts got little _____ his quest other than an early death.