

FUMC ESL 8-13-2020 Low Intermediate/Advanced Online Lesson

Pronouncing ED verbs: There are 3 ways to pronounce ED verbs.

1-After k, p, s, ch, sh, f the final ED is pronounced like T. Say these words:

looked	clapped	missed	watched	finished	laughed
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Note: The verb "laugh" ends in gh, but the sound is an F. So if it was spelled the way it's pronounced, it would be "laft".

2-After words ending in the T or D sound, you pronounce the ED as a separate syllable. Say these words:

excited	hated	needed	wanted	waited	invited
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3-Generally all other verbs that end in ED are pronounced D with no added syllable. Say these words

smelled	saved	cleaned	robbed	played	hugged
borrowed	closed	sneezed	arrived	managed	bothered

Money Terms Quiz

1. It's an excellent university, but the _____ are rather high.
 1. fares
 2. fees
 3. price
2. I made my _____ buying and selling stocks.
 1. fortune
 2. treasure
 3. wealthy
3. I bought this coat on sale. It was _____ \$50.
 1. on sale
 2. decreased
 3. reduced
4. There's a small studio to _____ in James Street.
 1. lent
 2. hire
 3. lease
5. I haven't got enough money for lunch. Could you _____ me some?
 1. borrow
 2. let
 3. lend
6. How much does she _____ in her position?
 1. gain
 2. earn
 3. pay
7. That house is too expensive. We can't _____ it.
 1. allow
 2. afford
 3. pay
8. He's an excellent doctor, but he doesn't _____ too much.

1. charge
 2. fee
 3. spend
9. It was a very good dinner. Can we have the _____ please?
1. receipt
 2. check
 3. note
10. Mary never carries cash with her and buys everything on _____.
1. debt
 2. tip
 3. credit
11. The old retired couple had only a small ____ to live on.
1. wage
 2. wealth
 3. pension
12. Fred didn't like the waitperson so he didn't leave a _____.
1. receipt
 2. tip
 3. card
13. They wouldn't have been able to buy their camper without a bank _____.
1. borrow
 2. lend
 3. loan
14. The dime is such a small _____ that everyone dislikes it.
1. bill
 2. coin
 3. note
15. The apartment is not in very good condition so the _____ is low.
1. rent
 2. lease
 3. hire

IDIOMS IN CONVERSATIONS: Read the conversations and discuss the meaning of the underlined words.

Kim: Sara, I have a contact in a software company that might be looking to hire someone. Would you like me to give them a call?

Sara: Sure. Can't hurt. I had an interview with another company yesterday. They said they would be in touch, but I don't know if they'll follow through. There were lots of people waiting to interview, so I'm not hopeful I'll get that job.

Kim: At least you got some experience interviewing.

Sara: As luck would have it, I broke out in a rash the morning of the interview, so I probably didn't make the best impression.

Kim: It is what it is. Nothing you can do about it now. I'm sorry, I've got to run. But I'll get hold of my contact and explore the options with her. Meanwhile you keep beating the streets. You want to get your name and face out there as much as possible.

Sara: Yes, I will. Thanks for thinking of me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kim: OK, catch you later.

Sara: You bet.

Inference is using observation and background to reach a logical conclusion. You probably practice inference every day. For example, if you see someone eating a new food and he or she makes a face, then you **infer** he does not like it. Or if someone slams a door, you can **infer** that she is upset about something.

You can infer that Kim: (choose one)

- a-doesn't like Sara much
- b-is trying to be helpful to Sara
- c-feel jealous of Sara

Is there anything else you can infer from this conversation?

Bianca: Could you crack a window? It's hot in the backseat.

Agent: Sure. Do you have plenty of leg room? I can pull my seat forward.

Bianca: I'm fine. How much longer til we get there?

Agent: We're a good hour away still. This cabin is off the beaten track. We'll be on a dirt road the last thirty minutes.

Bianca: This cabin is really far out. I'm not sure I want to buy a place this remote. Can you tell me what they are asking for the cabin?

Agent: All in good time. I want you to see the cabin first before we discuss price.

Bianca: It sounds like this cabin is going to be over my budget.

Agent: Why do you say that?

Bianca: Why else would you hide the price until I've seen the cabin?

Agent: It's a little over your budget, but it's worth it. It sits on twenty acres and the view from the back deck of the cabin is gorgeous. It's very private. And the inside has been renovated recently, so it's clean and new. I think you're going to love it.

Bianca: That's what I'm afraid of. I'm going to love it, but not be able to afford it.

What can you infer about the agent?

- a-she is trying to get Bianca to move far away
- b-she thinks Bianca won't look at the cabin if she tells her the price
- c-she is being dishonest with Bianca
- d-she doesn't want Bianca to go over her budget.

What can you infer about Bianca?

Discuss:

1. Some say "money can't buy love." Do you agree or disagree?
2. If you are "born with a silver spoon in your mouth," do you have a life long advantage over others?
3. If someone gave you two hundred dollars in cash, would it "burn a hole in your pocket" or would you put it straight in the bank?
4. What kind of deal is one that is "too good to be true?" Would you be suspicious if someone offered you a valuable thing for less than its real value?
5. Do you think "rags to riches" stories ever really happen? Do you know of any?

6. When Covid first hit, a man went to all the stores in his state and bought up all the hand sanitizer, masks and cleaning products. Then he put them on Amazon with very high prices. He felt this was fair to do as he had the right to sell things people wanted for a much higher price than normal. He said this was just supply and demand. People all over the country were incensed. Do you think it is OK to do what the man did?