

## FUMC ESL 7-8-2021 High Intermediate and Advanced Lesson

**Introduce yourself.** Tell where you are from and where you live now. Answer: Does having relatives living with you cause friction in the family? Is living with parents common in your culture?

**Pronunciation: These words sound similar: Pronounce each word, then read the sentence**

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| 1. head had     | She had a headache.                                   |
| 2. gas guess    | I guess I am out of gas.                              |
| 3. pet pat      | Pat your pet on the head.                             |
| 4. set sat      | She sat down and set her bag on the chair.            |
| 5. pedal paddle | You pedal a bicycle and paddle a canoe.               |
| 6. lend land    | Lend me money to buy the land.                        |
| 7. peck pack    | Did the bird peck at the pack of seeds?               |
| 8. send sand    | Send a letter to the lady. There is sand in my shoes. |
| 9. guess guest  | I guess our guest has left.                           |
| 10. tell tale   | Who will tell the tale?                               |

The suffix, TION is pronounced SHUN. Practice pronouncing these words.

situation	information	friction	cooperation	explanation	station
congratulations	question	caution	emotions	locations	actions

**Match these synonyms with the words above:**

inquiry -	circumstances -	feelings -	answer -	conflict -
kudos -	care -	knowledge -	places -	behavior -

**Students: Explain these sentences.**

1. Proceed with **caution**.
2. You have to understand the **situation** at hand.
3. His **actions** speak for themselves.
4. **Actions** speak louder than words.
5. I think I am owed an **explanation**.

### The Light Between Oceans Part 9

Lucy's christening was scheduled for early January the day before their return to Janus. Everyone was standing outside the church waiting for the Reverend to unlock the doors. Ralph, the supply boat captain, was there with his wife Hilda. Ralph was making jokes and people were laughing. Ralph always loved to joke and get everyone laughing, but Hilda felt like they should be more serious for the christening. In hopes of stopping the joking, Hilda pointed to a

fresh granite stone which had been erected in the churchyard. "Oh, the poor baby and her father, the ones that drowned. At least they've finally got a memorial."

Isabel froze. For a moment, she feared she might faint. She struggled to make sense of the bright gold letters on the stone: "*In loving memory of Franz Johannes Roennfeldt, dearly beloved husband of Hannah, and of their precious daughter Grace Ellen. Watched over by God.*" Fresh flowers lay at the foot of the memorial. With this heat, they couldn't have been left more than an hour before.

1-Why did Isabel freeze and feel like fainting?

A tingling sensation spread to her hands and feet. "What happened?" she asked shakily. "Ah, so shocking," said Ralph, "Hannah Potts". Isabel recognized the name immediately. "Septimus Potts' daughter. You know, the richest man for miles around. He came here as a young lad fifty years back. He made a fortune in timber. His wife died when his two girls were small. He sent both of them away to fancy boarding schools in Perth. Then a few years back, Hannah married a German fellow. Well, that was during the war and old Potts didn't think much of his daughter marrying the a German when most of the world was fighting them. He cut his daughter and her husband off with no money. The couple lived in that run-down cottage by the pumping station. Old man Potts finally came around when their child was born."

2-What does the phrase, "he cut his daughter off" mean?

3-Do you think it is right for parents to cut their children off if they do something that displeases the parents?

4-What is a run-down cottage?

Hilda turned to Isabel, "Don't you worry about it. Let's just focus on little Lucy."

"No," said Isabel. "Please tell me what happened!"

Hilda quietly said, "There was a fight broke out between Hannah's German and some of the local lads who had fought in the war. They were pushing and shoving the German fellow. Calling him ugly names. Hannah's husband panicked and jumped in a row boat with the baby. He rowed out of the harbor to get away from the lads. They wouldn't have hurt him much, but they certainly scared him plenty."

5-Who were "the local lads"? Why were they pushing and shoving Hannah's husband?

6-What did Hannah's husband do to get away?

Ralph jumped in, "He wasn't much of a rower apparently, because a storm came up all of a sudden and he couldn't withstand the wind. The little boat was swept out to sea, and no one ever saw them again. The father had a bad heart and Hannah felt like the excitement caused him to have a heart attack. We assume he fell out of the boat and the baby drowned. Potts put up a big reward for anyone who had seen them. All the lads took a turn looking for them, but they were never found."

7-What happened after Hannah's husband jumped in the boat with the baby?

8-What did Hannah think might have happened?

Hilda touched Isabel's arm. "The sad thing is poor Hannah never recovered. Her father finally persuaded her to put up this memorial a few months ago. Isn't it funny how lives turn out. She had all the money in the world, a fancy education and a husband she loved. But she lost all of it."

9-When Hilda says, "Isn't it funny" to describe how Hannah's life turned out, she doesn't mean it makes you laugh. What does she mean?

Isabel felt plunged into ice. The monument taunted her and threatened her. She leaned against a tree, dizzy.

"Are you all right,?" asked Hilda as Isabel's face lost all color.

"It's just the heat. I'll be all right in a minute."

Just then, the Reverend opened the heavy church doors. "All ready for the big day, then?" he asked.

Tom grabbed Isabel's arm. "We've got to say something! Now! Call off the christening." Tom's voice was low and urgent as he faced Isabel while her parents carried Lucy into the church.

"Tom, we can't." Her breath was shallow and her face was pale. "It's too late!" she said.

"Izz, we have to put this right. We have to tell people. NOW!"

"Tom, we can't! We can't do that to Lucy! We're the only parents she's ever known. Besides, what would we say? That we suddenly remembered I didn't actually have a baby." Her face turned gray. "And what about the man's body? You buried him, Tom. What if they think we killed him? It's all gone too far. Tom, we've got to buy time. We'll figure it out later. Right now we have to go through with the christening."

A shaft of light caught Isabel's eyes and Tom could see the fear in them. She took a step toward him and he sprang back, as if they were opposing magnets.

10-How does Tom react to the news? How does Isabel react?

11-Why does the author describe Tom and Isabel as opposing magnets?

"Lucy Violet, I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," intoned the Reverend. Lucy quickly excused herself and ran for the outhouse at the end of the path where she retched violently. When she returned to the church, she held out her arms for Lucy and held her tight to her chest. When her mom questioned her, she just said, "having some tummy trouble."

12-What is an outhouse?

13-Why did Lucy throw up?

Somehow, they made it through the rest of the day. Finally that night, they were alone together for the first time. As soon as the door to their bedroom was closed, Tom demanded, "When are we going to tell everyone?" His face was tight and his shoulders stiff.

"We're not!" replied Isabel.

"What do you mean, Izz?"

"We need to think, Tom. We need time. We have to leave tomorrow. All hell will break loose if we say anything. You're supposed to be back on duty tomorrow night. We'll work out what to do when we get back to Janus. We mustn't rush into something we'll regret."

"Izz, there's a woman here in town who thinks her daughter's dead when she's alive. Who doesn't know what happened to her husband. God knows what she's been through. The sooner we tell the truth, we end her misery. Lucy is her child, Izz!"

"Yes, Tom. You're right. We have to do the right thing. But not just for the mother, but for Lucy as well. Please, neither of us can think straight now. We need to get some sleep. We'll work it out when we get back to Janus."

Tom abruptly turned and left. "I need some fresh air. I'm going for a walk."

14-Tom's concern is for Hannah, the mother of the child. Who is Isabel's main concern?

15-Who is right? Who do you sympathize with?

16-Did you predict this would happen when you read the earlier parts of the story?