

FUMC ESL 8-30-2021 High Intermediate and Advanced

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Which of these foods would you be the least likely to eat: pickles, eggplant, oysters

Grammar Exercise: Choose the correct phrase.

1-At first I didn't like my job, but _____ to enjoy it now.
a-I'm beginning b-I begin c-I begun

2-I don't understand this sentence. What _____?
a-does mean this word b-does this word mean c-means this word

3-Robert _____ away two or three times a year.
a-is going usually b-is usually going c-usually goes d-goes usually

4-It was a boring weekend. I _____ anything.
a-didn't b-don't do c-didn't do

5-Matt _____ while we were having dinner.
a-phoned b-has phoned c-is phoning

6-Donna is having her first driving lesson. It's the first time she _____ a car
a-is driving b-drove c-has driven d-had driven

7-I'm hungry. I _____ anything since breakfast.
a-have eaten b-haven't eaten c-wasn't eating d-am not eating

8-You're out of breath. _____
a-Are you running? b-Have you run? c-Have you been running?

9-Sara has lost her passport again. It's the second time this _____
a-is happening b-has happened c-happens d-was happening

10-Where's the book I gave you? I've looked for it everywhere, but it's not here. What _____ with it?
a-have you done b-have you been doing c-are you doing

11-Paula is really tired. She _____ hard all week.
a-has working b-been working c-has been working d-is working

12-Chris _____ well recently.
a-hasn't feeling b-been feeling c-is feeling d-hasn't been feeling

VOCABULARY---Choose the correct vocabulary word.

1. The guide left her all (alone/lonely) in the middle of London.
2. The (safely/safety) of our passengers is our top priority.
3. The students were (frightening/frightened) by the large bat that flew in through the window.
4. The prisoner was set (free/freedom) after ten years in jail.
5. (Hopeful/Hopefully) I'll get a good grade on the exam and get admitted to the program.

6. Can you (hold/keep) an eye on my dog for a few minutes?
7. Mike has a hard time (keeping/holding) a secret.
8. The teacher read the story (aloud/allowed).
9. The children ate everything (accept/except) the meat.
10. The government (banished/burnished) the criminals from the country.
11. The principal will (assess/access) your language skills in the interview.
12. I didn't enter the chess tournament because I am a (novice/novelty), and I was sure to lose.
13. Don't (antagonize/agonize) the lion. He might attack us.
14. The new employees seem to be very (satisfying/satisfied) with their jobs.
15. I was (alarming/alarmed) by the loud noises coming from the next door neighbor's house.
16. The comedian told an (amusing/amused) story.
17. English is the most (confused/confusing) language.
18. This rainy weather is making me (depressed/depressing).
19. I was (exhausting/exhausted) after cleaning the house today.
20. That was an (interested/interesting) discussion.
21. I told my boss that I wanted a big (rise / raise).
22. I (raised/ rose) up the ranks of my company.
23. Could you give me the (receipt / recipe) for that wonderful dessert?
24. She (said / told) me to fill out my application and leave it at the desk.
25. They (controlled / inspected) his passport on entering the country.
26. That painting is a fake. It's (worthless / worthy).
27. Have you decided (weather / whether) you would like to come?
28. She (talks / speaks) three languages.
29. The car tried to (overcome / overtake) the bus on the freeway.
30. You will just have to (except / accept) his decision.

IDIOMS---Read the conversations and explain what is happening. Ask the teacher about any phrases you don't know.

Tom and Linda are in the hotel restaurant to eat breakfast.

Waiter: May I help you.

Linda: Yes, I'll have two eggs, scrambled with a side of sausage.

Waiter: Link or patty?

Linda: Excuse me?

Waitress: Would you like sausage links or sausage patties?

Linda: Oh, of course. I'll have links.

Waiter: And you sir, what will it be?

Tom: I'll have the same, thanks.

Waiter: Fine. Would either of you like a beverage. Our coffee is complimentary and quite good. It's freshly ground.

Tom: Yes, each of us will have coffee.

Linda: And a small orange juice for me, if you don't mind.

While eating breakfast, Ben walks by their table and recognizes Linda.

Ben: Well, hello, Linda. I didn't know you were going to be at this conference. How have you been?

Linda: Hello, Ben. Yes, I'm not just attending, but I'll actually be presenting at the conference.

Ben: Wow, that's terrific. You've really come up in the world to be presenting at a major medical conference. I'll be sure and attend your presentation. You're going to present the results of your doctoral research, I presume. I'm sure the audience will be spellbound.

Linda: Yes, the studies are complete and the results were quite extraordinary. You may find this data causes doctors to re-think the frequency they choose surgery for their patients. I think you'll enjoy hearing about the studies. My presentation is tomorrow at 1PM.

Ben: Great. I'll see you there then. And we should talk some time. I'm very interested in how I can apply the results of your study to my practice.

Linda: You have my contact info. And Ben, I'd like you to meet Tom Duncan. He's my graduate assistant. He's been a huge help compiling the data.

Ben: So nice to meet you, Tom. You've chosen a real crackerjack to work with. I think we're going to hear really big things from Linda in the future.

Tom: Nice to meet you.

Ben: I'd better be off. I have a seminar to attend in ten minutes.

Ben leaves.

Linda: I'm so glad he's gone. I can't stand that man. He was on my supervisory committee when I was completing my master's degree in microbiology. He gave me a really hard time when I was defending my thesis. He belittled me at every turn. He's got a good reputation as a doctor, but he also has a reputation of treating women as inferiors.

Tom: I'm surprised to hear you don't like him. He seemed truly impressed by you.

Linda: He's impressed that any woman would be chosen to present at a prestigious medical conference. It's his implicit bias toward women. He pretends to be a big believer in the equality of women, but he always acts shocked to hear a woman has achieved something that he thought only men could do. Did you hear him say, "You've really come up in the world?" He thinks I've "come up in the world" because he never believed I could complete a complicated research project. He thought I was just some frivolous young woman out of her depth. Guys like him make me furious.

Tom: He's an older man. I think a lot of his generation thinks that way. In his day, most women didn't work and I guess a lot of men just assumed they weren't competent to work. But most of the women I know now have better jobs and make better money than their husbands. I think the question of whether women are the intellectual equals of men has been settled once and for all.

Linda: I wish that were true, Tom. You are a very open minded man and your wife is a genius and one of the best lawyers in town. But women still face a great deal of bias in the workplace. We have to fight for everything we get. Nothing is given to us.

Tom: I suppose that's true. And I'm sorry about that. But I do think things are improving.

Question:

1. Have you ever experienced anything like Linda?
2. Do you think younger men are less biased towards women than older men?
3. Do you agree with Tom that things are improving for women?
4. Have you ever had a male mentor who really built you up and helped you rise up the ladder?