

FUMC ESL 5-2-2022 High Intermediate and Advanced Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Name a healthy food you really enjoy eating. Name a food you love, but feel guilty about eating.

Read this conversation by two people who "bump into" each other unexpectedly at a health store. Explain the meaning of the words and phrases in bold text.

Gloria: Jan, how are you? **Long time no see!**

Jan: Yes, it's been **ages**. What have you been **up to**?

Gloria: **Nothing much. How's life going?**

Jan: **Couldn't be better.** We just had our second child, a girl.

Gloria: Oh, that's great. Congratulations. I'm surprised to see you here at the health store. I didn't know you were **into health food**.

Jan: Since the kids arrived, I've tried to eat healthier **for their sake**. And of course, I'm always **watching my weight**, so I eat a lot more salads and vegetables than I did in the old days.

Gloria: How are your parents? I know last time you said they were getting a bit **frail**.

Jan: Yes, Mom fell and broke her hip last month. But she's **mending** well. Dad does a good job of **looking after her**. I try to **keep tabs on** them. I usually **stop by** their house a couple of times a week.

Gloria: I'm sorry to hear about the fall. Our bones do break more easily as we age. Hey, I've **got to run**, but give me a call and we'll **do lunch**.

Jan: **Sure thing**, but I may have **a toddler in tow**. I don't have a babysitter during the day.

1. Do you think Gloria and Jan have spoken recently?
2. Why is Jan more "in to" health food now?
3. What does Jan do for the kid's sake?
4. Who is frail?
5. What happened to Jan's mom?
6. Who looks after Jan's mom?
7. How does Jan "keep tabs" on her parents?
8. Gloria asks Jan to give her a call so they can _____.
9. Will Jan bring her child with her?
10. Do you think these two are very close friends? Why?

Match the underlined words with the meanings in the table below.

- 1-Please give me your billing address.
- 2-Can you touch up the gray in my hair?
- 3-Order whatever you want. The company is picking up the tab.
- 4-The manager demanded new office furniture right off the bat.
- 5-Is there an intermission in this movie?
- 6-These tickets are non-refundable.

7-The concession stand is under the stands.

8-His excuse just doesn't ring true.

9-Would you like a rain check?

10-This entire region is rich in history.

11-It's the best I can offer under the circumstances.

12-I resigned myself to living in a foreign country even though I'd prefer to stay home.

13-I was reluctant to make lots of new friends because I knew my stay would be short.

14-Bill's sudden marriage three months after his wife's death raised some eyebrows.

paying the bill	can't get your money back	a coupon given for later use	given the situation
make small improvements in appearance	accepted something unpleasant	hesitant	your home address, or where your bills are delivered
sounds false	shocked some people	break halfway through	immediately
lots of important things happened here in the past			a place that sells snacks and drinks

Question your classmates:

1. Are you the oldest sibling in your family?
2. Do you enjoy going to movies?
3. Do you prefer to be outdoors or indoors?
4. Do you enjoy walking in the rain?
5. If the water in the pool is very cold, do you jump right in instead of easing in slowly.
6. Are you a person who makes quick decisions or do you think about things a long time before deciding?
7. Are you comfortable being touched by strangers?
8. If it's really cold outside will we find you a) taking a brisk walk or b) curled up by the fire?

Read and discuss this article about Daylight Savings Time:

Hardly any of us are really badly effected by the switch to daylight savings time in the spring, but we sure like to complain about it.

The whole thing started as a way to save energy. More daylight hours meant people burned less coal. But it's mostly stuck around (at least in the U.S.) because sporting goods manufacturers and retail stores lobby for it. Americans go out, play more sports, and buy more stuff when there are more daylight hours after school and work.

In fact, studies show that daylight savings time saves less than 1 percent of energy use. But there are lots of repercussions from daylight savings time.

1- more deadly car crashes: The single hour of lost sleep increases the number of car crashes by 6% over the six days following the change resulting in 302 more deaths over a ten year period.

2- workplace injuries: There are 5.7 percent more on the job injuries the day after daylight savings time.

3-stock markets crater: The stock exchange closes an average of .3 points lower the day after daylight savings time.

4- more heart attacks: There is a 24% increase in heart attacks the Monday after daylight savings time.

5-longer sentences: Judges sentence criminals to 5% longer sentences the Monday after daylight savings time.

There is one advantage. There are less crimes committed during daylight savings time. Criminals don't like all that extra daylight.

Discuss:

1. How do you feel about DST? Would you like to see DST cancelled?
2. Few African and Asian countries celebrate DST. Does your country practice DST?
3. Do your children have a hard time adjusting to the change in time?
4. Is there anything you do differently when we are in DST?

Use one of the prepositions in the word box to complete the sentences.

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5. It's impossible to live _____ money.
6. He was trembling _____ rage.
7. I don't like Sharon and Stacy. I hope they don't go _____ us.
8. The software is loading. It should be finished _____ ten minutes.
9. I'll wait here _____ Bill.
10. She greeted us _____ indifference.
11. We were caught _____ the stolen goods.
12. The children were disappointed to see their grandparents arrive _____ presents.
13. This is a secret that must be kept _____ these walls.
14. I told the kids to be home by 6 _____ fail.
15. It goes _____ saying that if you don't work, you don't get paid.
16. They charged him _____ burglary of a vehicle.
17. We have to live _____ our means.
18. There is a hospital _____ 5 miles of the school.

19. She is _____ a doubt the best club president we've ever had.

20. I am please _____ the way things are going.