

FUMC 12-8-2022 High Intermediate and Advanced Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. What advice would you give someone that wanted to find a husband or a wife?

Pronunciation: It is hard to tell the difference between short vowels E and I. Practice these word pairs.

bit - bet	pig - peg	pin - pen	will - well	lid - led	pit - pet
lit - let	miss - mess	chick - check	till - tell	him - hem	tin - ten

Read the sentences below and choose the correct word.

1. Did you get the (bill/bell) for the new washing machine?
2. Jess wants (tin / ten) apples.
3. (Lit / Let) me go with you!
4. I want to try a little (bit / bet) of the chocolate cake.
5. Hang your jacket on the (pig / peg) in the entry hall.
6. Please write your name with this (pin / pen).
7. There is no water in the (will / well).
8. She lifted the (lid /led) and tasted the soup.
9. I am going to (miss / mess) you when you're gone.
10. I wrote a (chick / check) to the man who mowed our yard.

Grammar: Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Hint: use a gerund in the 2nd sentence. The first two are done for you.

1. Why is it useful to have a car?

What are the advantages of having a car?

2. I don't intend to apply for that job.

I have no intention of applying for that job.

3. You can count on Helen to remember people's names.

Helen is good at _____.

4. Mark won't pass the exam. He has no chance.

Mark has no chance of _____.

5. Did you get into trouble because you were late?

Did you get into trouble for _____.

6. We didn't eat at home. We went to a restaurant instead.

Instead of _____.

7. We got into the concert easily. We didn't have to stand in line.

We got into the concert without _____.

8. The burglars broke a window to get into the house.
The burglars got into the house by _____.

9. I stood on a chair to reach the top shelf.
I was able to reach the top shelf by _____.

10. You turn the key to start the engine.
You start the engine by _____.

11. We ran ten kilometers. We didn't stop until the end.
We ran the ten kilometers without _____.

12. Kevin drove too fast and got a ticket.
Kevin got a ticket for _____.

13. I like to work in the garden. It is fun for me.
_____ is fun for me.

14. Robert wants to climb the mountain alone. This is a bad idea.
_____ is a bad idea.

15. I didn't want to hurt her feelings.
I was afraid of _____.

Read these conversations. Explain the underlined phrases. Answer the questions.

Belle: I didn't get the scholarship I applied for. Now I don't know if I will be able to go to college. College is expensive and I counted on a scholarship. My friend said it was my fault. She told me I didn't work hard enough. I suppose she is right. Maybe I should have studied more and made better grades. I feel like I have no future. Without a college degree, I won't be able to find a good job. I will be stuck in my job working as a cashier at the supermarket.

Judy: Belle, at a time like this it is important to have friends to support you, not criticize you. Your friend shouldn't give you a hard time. I'm sure you tried your best. Maybe you can attend college part-time while you work at the supermarket. Many students work their way through college.

1. What is Belle's problem?
2. Why does she feel she has no future?
3. Have you had friends criticize you when you needed support?
4. What does Judy say about Belle's friend?
5. What suggestion does Judy make?

Jim: You pay more money now to get a good quality product. But it pays off in the long run because it will work better and last longer.

Sally: That's not always true, Jim. I often buy the bargain brands. They usually work just as well as the premium brands and are a lot cheaper.

1. Who do you agree with, Jim or Sally?
2. Is there a particular product that you are willing to spend more to get something more fashionable or that will last longer?

Lisa: My boyfriend and I broke up. We had dated for two years. I really loved him. I wanted to get married, but he said he wasn't ready. I didn't want to wait any longer. I'm not getting any younger. But it really hurts to know I won't be seeing him any more. I thought he was the one for me.

May: I think you did the right thing. If he truly loved you, he would not have to wait to be "ready" to marry. I know you feel sad, but time heals all wounds. You will meet someone else who is a better fit.

1. Why did Lisa and her boyfriend break up?
2. What advice does May give Lisa?
3. Do you agree with May's advice?
4. Does time really heal all wounds?
5. How long is too long to wait for someone to be ready to marry?
6. When I broke up with a boyfriend, my mother told me, "Don't worry. There are many fish in the sea." What did she mean by that? What relationship advice did your mother give you?