

FUMC ESL 3-2-2023 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Which is your favorite meal: breakfast, lunch or dinner?

Show slideshow of Cafe Foods. Discuss everyone's experience with these foods. Likes and dislikes.

GRAMMAR:

Using How long? and How far?

We use "how far" to talk about distance. EX: How far is it to the park? It is two miles.

We use "how long" to talk about time. EX: How long does it take to get to the park. It takes ten minutes to walk there. How long have they been married? About six months.

Read these example conversations:

Jess: How far is it to the library?

Sara: It's not far. It's just a few blocks away. You can walk there.

Sandra: I always walk to the park in the morning.

Bill: How far is it?

Sandra: It's only a couple of miles.

Jen: How long is the flight to China?

Kim: It's a 16 hour flight to Shanghai.

Bess: How long is this movie?

Kay: It's two hours and thirty minutes.

Tammy: It's a long drive to Dallas.

Beth: How long is it?

Tammy: It's almost four hours.

Len: How long does it take to get to Dallas?

Lisa: About four hours by car. But you can fly there in less than an hour.

Kara: How long have you lived here?

Chen: I've lived here for one year.

Stu: How long will you stay here?

Tara: We will stay for one more month.

Tim: Mommy, how long until Christmas.

Mommy: Christmas is in ten months.

How often do you...?

Jo: How often do you go to English class?

Linda: I go twice a week.

Kat: How often does it rain here?

Deb: Not very often.

Sam: How often do you have to renew your visa?

Cal: I have to renew it every six months.

Using How Much or How Many

Remember the rules for MUCH and MANY

Use MUCH with:

non-count nouns

Use MANY with:

count nouns that are plural

We don't usually use MUCH in positive sentences. EX: "I have much money."
Instead we would say, "I have a lot of money."

We can use "a lot of" or "lots of" with both singular and plural nouns, count or non-count nouns, questions. EX: We have a lot of friends. We have lots of friends.

You can use MUCH and A LOT without a noun. EX: I talked to Don, but he didn't say **much**. We got to movies **a lot**. Do you watch TV **much**? No, not **much**. OR Not **a lot**.

Lara: How (many / much) is the blue dress?

Salesperson: The blue dress is seventy five dollars.

Lara: Oh, that's too (much / many). I can't afford that! How (much / many) is the green one?

Salesperson: The green dress is on sale. It is only forty five dollars.

Lara: Oh, that's (much / many) better. I can afford that.

Doctor: How (much / many) coffee do you drink in a day?

Kendra: I drink eight to ten cups a day.

Doctor: That's too (much / many). That (much / many) caffeine isn't good for you. Try to cut back.

Pat: How (much / many) times do I take this medicine?

Nurse: Take it four times a day for fourteen days.

Pat: That's a lot!

Wendy: How (much / many) children do you have?

Amy: I have five children. I have three daughters and two sons.

Wendy: Wow! That's (much / a lot of) children.

Amy: I don't have (much / any) children. I'm not married.

Joy: How (much / many) students are in your English class?

Tam: We have (much / a lot of) students.

Remember the rules for **LITTLE** and **FEW**

Use LITTLE with non-count nouns. EX: I have little time.

Use FEW with count nouns. EX: I have few friends.

Use A LITTLE or A FEW to mean some, but not much. Use FEW or LITTLE to mean nearly nothing.

A LITTLE or A FEW is a positive idea. EX: I have a few friends here.

LITTLE or FEW is negative. EX: I have few friends here.

Choose the correct word or words.

1. Do you want some coffee? I'll have (little / a little).
2. Jeff speaks Italian well. He lived in Italy for (few / a few) years.
3. (Few / A few) Americans speak more than one language. It's a shame.
4. Mark is a private person. (Few / A few) people know him well.
5. When did Susie go out? (Few / A few) minutes ago.
6. There were (few / a few) people on the bus tonight. It was almost empty.
7. I eat (little / a little) meat. Mostly, I eat vegetables and fruit.
8. Can you give me (few / a few) minutes to think about my answer?
9. It's difficult to find a place to stay in rural areas. There are (few / a few) hotels.
10. I'm going outside. I need (little / a little) fresh air.
11. There was (little / a little) furniture in his apartment. Only a table and (few / a few) chairs.
12. She handed him a piece of bread and (little / a little) fruit.
13. I don't make much money delivering papers. Just (few / a few) dollars a day. But every little bit helps.
14. Everyone needs (little / a little) luck.
15. Your English is good. You make (few / a few) mistakes.