

FUMC ESL 4-6-2023 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Do you have any fun plans for this weekend? What chores do you have for this weekend?

Last lesson we talked about ways to use the verb “come”. Today we learn some more ways to use the verb COME. Read the paragraphs below and discuss.

1-If you ask someone why something happens, you use “**How come?**”

TY: I can't come to your party.

SUE: Oh no. *How come?*

TY: I don't have a babysitter for the kids.

2-If you “**come across**” something, you find it. EX: I *came across* some old photos when I cleaned out my cabinet.

3-If something “**comes apart**” it splits, separates or fails. EX: I picked up the old book and it *came apart* in my hands. The muffins *come apart* when you pick them up. This dress is so old it is *coming apart* at the seams. My wife is very unhappy. Our marriage is *coming apart*.

4-If you “**come back**” you return to a place. EX: I hope you *come back* to see us. We *came back* to the class after the break.

5-If something “**comes down**” it gets lower. EX: The prices will *come down* after Christmas. Three trees *came down* in the wind storm.

People sometimes use **come down** to mean come south. EX: My sister *came down* from New York.

If you **come up** to a place, you travel north. EX: My friend from Mexico *came up* to see me.

6-If you get an illness, you “**come down with**” it. EX: I *came down with* a cold while I was in Canada. I think I am *coming down* with the flu.

7-If something is “**coming up**”, it is happening soon. EX: My birthday is *coming up* in a few days. I have a big test *coming up* soon.

come with	come by	come toward	come open	How come?
come up to	come across	comes apart	come back	comes down
come up	come down with	coming up		

Use the phrases in the table to fill in the blanks below. IF you are attending class in person, you may work with a partner.

1. Our anniversary is _____ next week. I need to find a good gift for my wife.
2. Be careful with that old, wooden box. Sometimes when you pick it up, it _____.

3. The bus was stuck on the train tracks. The train was _____ us fast.
4. I shut the door, but sometimes it _____. I need to fix the lock.
5. I had a great time. I will _____ to this class again.
6. I'm not going to school this semester. _____? I thought you liked school.
7. My aunt from Michigan _____ to Texas every summer.
8. I had a nice time visiting my grandchildren, but I _____ a sore throat.
9. I _____ your keys when I looked for my wallet.
10. Please _____ our house after you finish your lunch.
11. Sara and I are going to lunch. Do you want to _____ us?
12. My friend lives in Canada. She wants me to _____ to see her this summer.
13. My boyfriend is very tall. I am short. I only _____ his shoulder.

Practicing Conversations: Read these with a partner. Answer the questions. Then discuss with your class.

Olga: Hi, Jess. What are you doing in Austin?

Jess: Hi, Olga. Jeff and I live here now.

Olga: How long have you been here?

Jess: A few weeks. We moved here in July.

Olga: Do you work here?

Jess: No. I stay home with the baby. Jeff works for Samsung now.

Olga: How is your baby doing? He is already one year old, isn't he?

Jess: Not quite. His birthday is coming up next month.

Olga: Do you like Austin?

Jess: It's OK. It is really hot here in the summer.

Olga: I agree. But it will be nice in October or November. You and Jeff should come by our apartment this Saturday. My sister came down from New York last week. She would love to see you.

Jess: I would like to see your sister, but we can't come this Saturday.

Olga: How come?

Jess: My parents are coming over to see the baby. I promised them we would be home.

Olga: I have four tickets to the play on Sunday. Can you and Jeff come with us?

Jess: Jeff is in Houston today. But I will ask him when he comes back tomorrow.

Olga: I hope you can come. I have to go now. Call me if you can come to the play.

Jess: It was good to see you, Olga. I will be in touch.

1. Who just moved here?
2. Who works at Samsung?

3. How long has Jess lived in Austin?
4. Who works at Samsung?
5. Who stays home with the baby?
6. Whose sister is visiting from New York?
7. Who has tickets to a play?
8. Who is in Houston today?
9. Was Olga surprised to see Jess in Austin?
10. What does Jess mean when she says she will be “in touch”?

Pharmacist: What can I do for you?

Ray: Do you have something for a headache?

Pharmacist: We have aspirin or Tylenol. Look on aisle 7. It will be on the left side.

Ray: Thanks. Where can I find cough drops?

Pharmacist: They are at the front of the store by the cash register. You will see them when you check out. If you don't find them, ask the cashier.

Ray: Do you sell diapers here?

Pharmacist: We don't sell diapers. But HEB sells them. It is across the street.

Ray: Do you sell thermometers?

Pharmacist: Yes, we do. This one is twenty dollars.

Ray: That seems expensive.

Pharmacist: It is digital. Digital thermometers are more expensive.

Ray: What time do you close?

Pharmacist: We close at 9 PM every day but Sunday. On Sunday we close at 6.

1-What did the pharmacist recommend Ray take for a headache?

2-Where are the cough drops?

3-Does the pharmacy sell diapers?

4-Where is the HEB?

5-Why is the thermometer so expensive?

6-When does the pharmacy close?

Using your English:

What TV shows do you watch?

Can you understand programs on American TV?

Do you use subtitles when you watch movies or shows in English?

Is British English easier to understand on TV?