

## FUMC ESL 5-11-2023 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Next Wednesday morning (5-18) at 10 AM there is a volunteer opportunity for students. We will be helping the church get ready for Vacation Bible School. I think there might be some art work involved for those who are artistic. But you don't need to be an artist to help. Lots of things need to be done. Please email me if you intend to go. My email is: esl@fumcaustin.org

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Where is your favorite vacation spot?

### **Pronunciation:**

You know how to pronounce the SH sound. You use that sound when you want someone to be quiet. Put your fingers over your lips and say, "shhhhh".

Say these words: shoe, shame, share, ship, trash, wish, rush

But we also use the SH sound when we pronounce "tion" or "sion". Say these words: action, condition, location, nation, invitation, persuasion, television, profession, collision, permission, vision, Persian

We also use the SH sound in pronouncing the ends of these words: anxious, cautious, spacious. The sound like ank-SHUS, cau-SHUS and spa-SHUS.

Note: Not all words ending in ious are pronounced with this sound. Say CURIOUS. It is pronounced like CUR-EE-US.

Usually CH has a different sound from SH. Say chore-shore. Say chop-shop. Say chip-ship. Notice the difference in these sounds.

BUT, sometimes CH is pronounced as SH. EX: machine, chauffeur, chef, champagne

Then you have the strange words which for no good reason are pronounced with SH sound. EX: sugar, sure, insure, insurance, beige, Persian, Asia, measure.

### **Grammar Quiz. Choose the correct option to fill in the blank.**

1-I enjoy \_\_\_ to the park in the summer.

a-to go            b-going            c-being gone    d-go

2-Don't forget \_\_\_ as soon as you arrive in Chicago.

a-to call            b-calling            c-call    d-to be called

3-I got a lot of threatening calls so I had my phone number \_\_\_.

a-change            b-changed            c-to change    d-changing

4-You should consider \_\_\_\_\_ an actress. You are very talented.

a-to become b-become c-becoming d-will become

5-After their children left home, they \_\_\_\_ to a condo near downtown.

a-moved b-moving c-move d-to move

6-Are you interested in \_\_\_\_\_ the new movie that just came out?

a-to see b-see c-being seen d-seeing

7-Did someone help you \_\_\_\_ this research paper?

a-write b-wrote c-writing d-be writing

8-The manager caught the clerk \_\_\_\_\_ money from the cash drawer.

a-to steal b-stealing c-stole d-being stolen

9-It was difficult \_\_\_\_\_ the speaker.

a-to hear b-hearing c-heard d-to heard

10-My family had a lot of fun \_\_\_\_\_ at old pictures.

a-looking b-look c-looked d-to look

### **Read this story from More Easy Stories Plus: Rainy Weather**

Leo lives in Seattle, Washington. Seattle is a beautiful city. Leo has a good job and many friends. But there is one problem. It rains a lot in Seattle, especially in winter. Leo doesn't like rainy weather. He doesn't like wet clothes. He doesn't like wet shoes. He doesn't like carrying an umbrella everywhere.

In September, Leo has time for a two-week vacation. He wants to go somewhere<sup>4</sup> warm and dry. Leo decides to go to Cancun in southern Mexico. It has good weather and pretty beaches. Leo is very excited.

The day before Leo leaves, it is sunny. Leo is running in the park. He sees his friend Rico. Rico is from Mexico. Leo says, "Rico, I am so excited. I leave tomorrow for Cancun, Mexico. I can't wait!"

"Have a great trip," says Rico. "What are you taking with you?"

"I am taking very little," says Leo. "I'm just taking a bathing suit, some shorts and some sandals."

"Well, don't forget an umbrella," says Rico. "You know this is the rainy season in Cancun."

### **Questions:**

1. Where does Leo live?
2. Does Leo like rainy weather?

3. What does Leo have to carry in the winter in Seattle?
4. Where is Leo going on his vacation?
5. What will Leo like about Cancun?
6. What does Leo tell Rico?
7. What does Leo plan to take with him?
8. What does Rico tell Leo he should take?
9. What season is it in Cancun?
10. What is the weather like in your country?
11. Do you have a wet season and a dry season?
12. Do you like rainy weather or do you prefer sunny weather?
13. What do you like to do when it is raining?
14. Where will you vacation this year?

### **Read and Answer**

Tom and Barb work in a restaurant. They love their jobs. But they love vacations, too. This summer they will vacation in Colorado. Tom loves to hike in the mountains. Barb loves to fish in the cold rivers. They both like to sit outside. They love the cool weather in the mountains. Tom and Barb live in south Texas. It is very hot there in the summer. They don't like hot weather. They will like Colorado.

1. Where will Tom and Barb go on vacation this summer?
2. What do Tom and Barb like to do there?
3. What kind of weather do Tom and Barb like?

Tom and Barb returned from their Colorado vacation. A friend says, "How was your vacation?" Barb answers, "It was not great. This summer it was very cold in Colorado. Tom could not hike because there was snow on the mountain trails. I could not fish because the rivers were icy. It was too cold to sit outside. We did not take our coats and warm clothing to Colorado. We were cold all the time. We were happy to come home. The friend says, "But it is so hot here." Barb says, "Yes, but it feels good to be hot. I am tired of feeling cold."

1. How was their vacation?
2. Why couldn't Tom hike in the mountains?
3. Why couldn't Barb fish in the river?
4. Tom and Barb didn't take \_\_\_\_\_
5. Why does Barb want to feel hot?
6. Does it sometimes feel good to be hot?