

## FUMC ESL 9-21-2023 High Intermediate and Advanced Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now.

Vocabulary: donate, donation, condition, thrifty, thrift shop, charity, coupon

Read these conversations and sentences to help you understand these vocabulary words.

**Tim:** Sir, would you like to **donate** to the food bank?

**Todd:** What is a food bank?

**Tim:** The food bank is a **charity**. It is a place where poor people can get free food. People donate canned or boxed food. We keep it in the food bank. When poor people need food, we give it to them.

**Todd:** That sounds like a good **charity**. I'll donate to the food bank. But I don't have any food with me. Can I donate money?

**Tim:** Yes, sure. Money is a good **donation**. The food bank buys diapers and baby food for new mothers with the money people donate.

**Todd:** Here's fifty dollars.

**Tim:** Wow. That's great. Thanks so much for your **donation**.

**Todd:** You're welcome. Thanks for running a **charity** for poor people.

1-What is a food bank?

2-Did Todd donate food to the food bank?

3-What does the food bank buy with cash donations?

4-How much does Todd donate?

5-What does donate mean? What is a donation? What is a charity?

**Cindy:** These roads are in bad **condition**. There are big holes. They need to be fixed.

**Tammy:** Yes, they are in very poor condition. Drive carefully.

**Sara:** The poor children live in bad conditions. Their houses are small and dirty. They don't have enough food.

**Lindsey:** I feel sorry for them. It isn't right that children live in such poor conditions.

**Les:** You should bring your dad to the picnic. He would enjoy it.

**Linda:** My dad is not in good condition. He can barely walk. He has a bad heart condition. He doesn't have any energy. His condition is bad. He could not come to a picnic.

1-Is Linda's dad in good condition?

2-What is wrong with him?

3-Will Linda bring her dad to the picnic?

4-Explain what "condition" means.

**Bill:** My wife is very **thrifty**. She looks for sales. She saves **coupons**. She is able to buy good food at cheap prices. She saves money by shopping carefully. She buys the children's clothing at the **thrift** store. The **thrift** store has used clothing that people have donated. She finds nice

clothes and shoes for the kids. Sometimes they are almost new.

Jill: It sounds like your wife is really **thrifty**.

- 1-How does his wife save money?
- 2-Where does she shop for the kids clothes?
- 3-Have you ever shopped at a thrift store?
- 4-Have you ever donated to a thrift store?

**Read this story about a clothing donation.**

Midori opens her bedroom closet and puts several pieces of clothing in a large plastic bag: a dress, three blouses, two skirts, and a pair of pants. Then she looks at her husband's clothes. Midori sees Kano's old brown jacket. It's still in good condition. But Midori doesn't like the way Kano looks in this jacket. Besides, Midori bought him a new gray jacket last year. So, Midori puts Kano's brown jacket in the bag. Then she drops off the bag at the thrift store.

The thrift store resells clothing and other usable items. Then they use the money for charity. This charity helps many people. Midori always feels good about donating things she doesn't need.

Two weeks later, Kano opens his closet. "Hmm," he says. "I can't find my brown jacket."

"Oh," says Midori. "I donated it to the thrift store."

"Really?" asks Kano. "But I liked that jacket."

"Well," says Midori, "it's for a good cause. I'm trying to help a great charity. And you have your new gray jacket."

The next day Kano comes home with a shopping bag. "What's in the bag?" asks Midori. "Oh," says Kano. "I did two things to help a great charity. I went to the thrift store and bought my old brown jacket. Then I donated my gray one."

- 1-Why doesn't Midori like Kano's old brown jacket?
- 2-What does Midori do with Kano's brown jacket?
- 3-How does Kano feel about his brown jacket?
- 4-What does Kano do at the thrift store?

**Discuss:**

- 1-Have you ever donated your husbands clothes without asking him?
- 2-Does your husband have clothes that you wish he would donate?
- 3-Is your mother a thrifty person? Are you thrifty?
- 4-What are some ways you save money?
- 5-What is your favorite piece of clothing?
- 6-Do you prefer to wear pants, skirts or dresses?
- 7-Do you ever wear your husband's shirts?

- 8-Do you buy most of your husband's clothes?
- 9-What color clothing is your favorite?
- 10-Do you like men to wear earrings?
- 11-Is there clothing you wear in your country you would never wear here?
- 12-Do you frequently wear very high heels?
- 13-When you buy new clothes what is more important, style or comfort?

### **Pronunciation Practice- Homonyms**

These words are spelled differently and have different meanings. But they are pronounced the same. Choose the correct word.

1. There is (know - no) excuse for being late.
2. You'll need an (acts - axe) to cut down that tree.
3. No girls are (allowed - aloud) in the boys treehouse.
4. There were many tiny (ants - aunts) on the cookies.
5. I can't believe he (ate - eight) the whole cake.
6. The baby (bald - bawled) when the nurse gave her a shot.
7. What kind of (bury - berry) is your favorite?
8. The older boy (beat - beet) the younger one in the race.
9. She (blew - blue) out all the candles on the cake.
10. I was so (bored - board) in class today.
11. Many white blood (cells - sells) in your blood are a sign of infection.
12. The (cent - scent) of those roses is wonderful.
13. I can't (chews -choose) between these two dresses.
14. My Aunt Margaret is such a (dear - deer), sweet lady.
15. If you want to color the white skirt pink, you will need some (die - dye).
16. Can you please (facts - fax) the form to my office?
17. You need (flower - flour) to bake bread.