

## FUMC 10-2-2023 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. What is one word that describes you?

### More Confusing Verbs: Borrow and Lend

Two other confusing verbs are **borrow** and **lend**. If you borrow something, you receive something from someone. If you lend, you give something to someone.

**Borrowing** and **Lending** involve "paying back". If you borrow something, you are expected to pay it back. If you lend something you can expect someone returns the item or pays you back.

Has anyone ever borrowed anything from you?

**Jamie:** Can I **borrow** some money? I left my wallet at home. I don't have money for lunch.

**Les:** Yes, I can **lend** you money for lunch.

**Jamie:** Thanks so much.

**Sara:** Will you **lend** me your car? I need to go to the store.

**Sandy:** Sure. Here are the keys.

**Borrow** and **Lend** are both verbs. Borrow is a regular verb: borrow - borrowed. Lend is an irregular verb: lend - lent

**Loan** means the same as lend. In the past, "loan" was only used as a noun. EX: I got **a loan** from the bank. However that has changed. Now it is OK to use loan as a noun or a verb. EX: My mom **loans** me money when I need it.

### Read this conversation with a partner:

**Lee:** I can't pay my rent this month. Can you lend me \$200?

**Susan:** You should ask the bank for a loan.

**Lee:** I tried that. The bank would not loan me money.

**Susan:** Why don't you ask your parents to lend you some money?

**Lee:** I can't ask my parents. They are poor. They need all their money.

**Susan:** Lee, I loaned you money last year. You didn't pay me back.

**Lee:** I'm sorry. I didn't have any extra money.

**Susan:** When you borrow money, you have to pay it back.

**Lee:** OK. This time I will pay it back. Please loan me \$200.

**Susan:** I'm sorry, Lee. My husband and I agreed we would not loan friends money.

### Questions:

1. What did Lee ask Susan to do?
2. What did Susan say?
3. Why can't Lee borrow from his parents?
4. Did Lee pay back his last loan from Susan?
5. Will Susan lend Lee money?
6. Is Lee rude to ask Susan for money?
7. Would you ask a friend to lend you money?
8. What would you say if a friend asked to borrow several hundred dollars?

## The Anniversary Party

Today's story is about a celebration. They are having a celebration because it is their anniversary. An anniversary is an annual event that celebrates your marriage. Notice that the verb, "celebrate" has a noun form, "celebration".

### Read Lesson 2 - The Anniversary Party

Tonight there is a big celebration for Edward and Sally. It's a party for their 25th wedding anniversary. There is rock music and delicious Chinese food. They have the party in the backyard. There are pretty red decorations and twinkling lights in the trees. It's a beautiful evening.

Edward and Sally's children, nieces, nephews, brothers, sisters and cousins also come. Everyone seems very happy. But there is one person who isn't happy. She is Irma, Sally's 88 year old mother. Irma is never happy. She doesn't like rock music. She doesn't like Chinese food. She prefers Mexican food. She doesn't like red decorations. "Green is better," she says. And she doesn't think the party should be outside. "Inside is better," Irma says.

Still, Edward and Sally are enjoying their party. They listen to the best wishes of their other guests. "Happy Anniversary!" says Edward's cousin. "Congratulations!" says Sally's sister. Irma says, "I want to say something! Please turn off the music and be quiet." They turn off the music. The guests get quiet. Irma says, "Congratulations, Howard, on marrying my daughter. She is perfect. You are not perfect, Howard. You are lucky to have her." Everyone is quiet. Irma made Edward feel bad. And she called Edward, Howard.

Sally whispers to her mother. "Mom, my husband is a good man. Neither he nor I are perfect. I love him and am lucky to have him. And, by the way, his name is Edward, not Howard."

"I know his name is Edward," says Irma. "But I always wanted you to marry Howard. He was a much better match."

### Questions:

1. Why isn't Irma happy?
2. What do you think about Irma? Can you imagine any of your relatives acting like Irma?
3. How many years have you been married? Have you had an anniversary party?
4. Describe Sally and Edward's party.
5. How does Irma insult Edward?
6. How do you celebrate your anniversary? Do you go out? Do you give candy or flowers or jewelry?
7. What should Sally do about her mother? Should Sally continue to invite her mother to parties?

### Matching Exercise

opinion	a. a date you remember every year
guests	b. things that make a place look more beautiful
celebration	c. people who are visiting your home
anniversary	d. the children of your aunt or uncle
cousins	e. your ideas or beliefs
decorations	f. a party for a special day

**There are many verbs with noun forms. Read these examples of verbs with a noun form. Tell which word is the noun and which is the verb.**

1. If you decide to go to college, it is a good decision.
2. We decorate the Christmas tree with glass decorations.
3. I congratulate my niece for making all A's in school. I said, "Congratulations on making good grades."
4. I choose the red roses. That is a beautiful choice.
5. We invite all the children to the birthday parties. I sent them an invitation.
6. Please explain the meaning of this word. I don't understand your explanation.
7. These words confuse me. These words are difficult. They cause confusion.
8. I am too cold. Please adjust the thermostat. I made an adjustment to the thermostat.

### **DISCUSS**

- A. The words "choose" and "decide" are synonyms. They mean the same. If you choose, you decide something. If you choose something, you make a choice. Tell about a choice you made recently.
- B. If you decorate, you add things to make something look better. Do you enjoy decorating your house or apartment? Do you watch decorating shows or read decorating magazines? What kind of decorations do you have in your home?
- C. Sometimes people explain things, but you don't understand the explanation. Do you usually understand your English teacher's explanations? What can you say if you don't understand?
- D. Sometimes people get their feelings hurt because they aren't invited to a party. They didn't get an invitation. Has this ever happened to you?
- E. In my husband's office, many people adjust the thermostat. The men like to make the temperature colder. The women like to make it warmer. Do you and your spouse agree about how to adjust the thermostat? Who usually makes adjustments to the thermostat at your home.