

FUMC ESL 12-14-2023 High Intermediate and Advanced Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. What's the best thing your parents ever did for you?

Vocabulary Quiz: Some verbs have a noun form. It can be confusing to know which to use. Choose the correct word. Explain the meaning of the sentence.

1. The teacher recorded his (absent / absence) from school.
2. My husband's frequent (absents / absence) from work made his boss angry.
3. In my (absent / absence), please make sure her bills are paid on time.
4. Her performance was a great (success / succeed).
5. To (success / succeed) in school, you have to study.
6. It is hard to (choice / choose) between the two options.
7. I made a (choice / choose) to stay single, but now I think that was a bad (choice / choose)
8. I think you should (complain / complaint) to the manager.
9. He didn't listen to my (complain / complaint).
10. Take a deep (breathe / breath) and stay under water as long as you can.
11. Now, (breathe / breath) normally.
12. I can't (part / partly) with my favorite jeans.
13. It is (part / partly) because they are so comfortable.
14. Wearing my hiking boots without socks (aggravates / aggravations) my blisters.
15. It is an (aggravates / aggravation) to have to watch the kids while I am trying to work at home.
16. We joined a club to help (beauty / beautify) the city.
17. My wife and I (differ / difference) about how children should be disciplined.
18. My (impress / impression) was that she was a beautiful woman, but very arrogant.
19. If she wants to (impress / impression) me, she should not brag about her beauty.
20. Jon (intends / intentions) to go to college after high school.
21. The (secure / security) of the city is important. Citizens need to know they are safe.
22. We need to (strength / strengthen) our police force.

Discuss:

1-Are you an absent-minded person? Describe some things an absent-minded person might do?

2-Were you frequently absent from school as a child? At your school, were you punished for being absent?

3-There is a saying, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder." Do you agree this is true? Is it good for couples to spend some time apart? Does that re-kindle romance?

4-If something glitters, it shines and sparkles. Name some things that glitter. Do you like to wear lots of jewelry that glitters? Do you prefer gold or silver jewelry?

5-There is an English expression that comes from Shakespeare, "All that glitters is not gold." Explain what this saying means.

6-If glitter means shine and sparkle, the opposite is dull. The finish on an old car is dull. It doesn't shine any more. Maybe you could wax the car to make it shine. We can also use dull to mean boring. What was the most boring subject in school? Would you find a lecture on astronomy exciting or dull? We can describe people as dull. EX: Jack is really dull. He doesn't have anything interesting to say.

7-Another saying is, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." What does this mean? Is it true that if you work all the time without taking time off for other activities, you are dull?

8-There is a saying, "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder." What does this mean? Do you agree with it. Give an example to prove your point.

9-There is a saying, "People in glass houses, shouldn't throw stones." Explain the meaning and give an example.

10-Name something that aggravates you.

11-Is your first impression of someone usually correct or do you frequently change your mind about them when you know them better?

12-Do you feel secure here? Where do you feel insecure?

13-What do you intend to do once your English is better?

14-How do you differ from most of your friends?

15-Share a saying or idiom that you use in your country? Explain its meaning. See if students from other countries have the same idiom.