

Welcome to our class. Introduce the teachers. Students introduce yourselves telling where you are from. If you are a zoom student, tell where you live now. We encourage you to download or print the lesson in advance. Practice the sentences and look up vocabulary words you don't know.

Our classes focus on **SPEAKING**. To help you speak properly we will have to teach a little bit of grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. But mainly, we want you speaking.

**Let's practice some easy sentences to warm up our brains.**

Teachers have every student complete the sentence. Students, you are not allowed to use the same answer as others. Be original.

1. I am happy because:
2. I sometimes worry because:
3. I get nervous when I have to:
4. I'm eager to learn about:
5. When I feel lazy, I like to:

**Vocabulary** word of the day: **modest**. Read these examples and explain the meaning.

**Modest** (adjective) can mean small or inexpensive. EX: Sara lives in a **modest** home near the school. The children's math scores improved a **modest** amount.

**Modest** can also mean conservative in dress or style. EX: Older women should wear **modest** swimwear, not tiny bikinis. When I go to a religious gathering, I wear a modest **dress**.

**Modestly** is an adverb. It tells about the verb. EX: Sara dresses **modestly**. Even though he is wealthy, he lives **modestly**.

**Modesty** is a noun. EX: **Modesty** is a good trait to have. His **modesty** makes him a popular friend.

**Discussion:**

Most religions encourage modesty in dress, but also in personality. They encourage humility not boastfulness or arrogance. Is modesty more important in your country than in American culture? Do you think boasting is more accepted in America than in your country?

**Idioms with negatives.**

1-don't care for something: Dick doesn't care for seafood. He prefers beef. Name something you don't care for.

2-Deb and her husband were packing for a trip. Deb's suitcase was full. She asked her husband if she could put her boots in his suitcase because they take up a lot of room. Her husband said, "**Nothing doing!** I need all the room in my suitcase."

What did Deb's husband mean? Do you think his answer was rude?

I have asked my husband to carry my shoes and hiking boots many times. He always agrees. In fact, he carries a bigger suitcase than he needs so he will have room for my shoes and boots. **How do you and your partner handle this situation? Who packs more clothes on a trip, you or your partner? Do you pack the overflow from your bag in your partner's bag?**

3-Dave's neighbor hit his fence with his car. He knocked part of the fence down. Dave asked the neighbor to pay to fix the fence, but the neighbor refused. Dave went to see a lawyer. He wanted to sue his neighbor. The lawyer said, "Dave, a lawsuit against your neighbor is **not worth your while.**"

**What did the lawyer mean?**

Jess ordered some shoes online. They didn't fit. She decided to send them back to the store. But there were no free returns. It would cost her \$10 to ship the shoes back. The shoes only cost \$15. So Jess decided shipping them back **wasn't worth her while.**

**Do you agree with Jess?**

4-Jan felt very grumpy. She fussed at her children. She argued with her husband. Finally, her husband said, "Jan what is wrong? You seem very grumpy." Jan said, "I'm sorry I've been so grumpy. I just **don't feel myself today.**"

**Do you ever have days where you don't feel yourself? What causes days like this?**

5-I know you want to spend time at the beach while you are visiting. But **don't count on it.** The weather forecast is predicting thunderstorms all week. **Don't get your hopes up.**

**What does "don't get your hopes up" mean?**

You **can't count on** Pat doing what he said he would do. He is just not dependable. He may cancel at the last minute.

I know you want your new business to be successful, but **don't count on** making a big profit the first year. It will take time for people to learn about your business.

**Give an example of when you would use "don't count on it" or "can't count on" in a situation.**

**Pronouncing J and CH in words**

The J sound in jump and judge and Judy is very similar to the ch sound in chew or check. The difference is, with the J words, you stop the air. With the CH words you don't. Put your hand in

front of your face and say JUICE and CHOOSE. When you say CHOOSE, you will feel air hit your hand. You don't feel that with JUICE.

Practice these sounds with these word pairs: CHOKE and JOKE, CHAIN and JANE, CHEST and JEST, CHEAP and JEEP, CHOSE and JO'S.