

Announcements: Beginning this week, our online classes will only be offered on Mondays. We are short of zoom teachers, and until we recruit some new teachers, we can only deliver one online class a week. So no online classes on Thursdays beginning this week.

Our in-person classes will continue to meet twice a week, every Monday and Thursday. If you are currently attending zoom classes, you are welcome to attend our in-person class on Thursdays.

If you are unable to leave your home for classes, there are many alternative classes online. Most of these do require a fee.

Volunteer Opportunity: On Wednesday, April 1st we will meet in the church sanctuary to work glueing paper butterflies onto strings. The butterflies will then be hung in the sanctuary for our Easter services. It's a fun activity, very helpful for the church and a good opportunity for fellowship. Please meet at 10AM in front of the church at 1201 Lavaca. Teacher Judy and Teacher Camille will be there to assist.

Introduce Yourself: Pronounce your name and tell where you are from. Tell how long you have been in the U.S. and how long you plan to stay. Explain why you came to the U.S.

Pronouncing W: Practice saying the w words and the short sentences. Teachers will say the word and sentence first, then students repeat.

we	We welcome you.
word	What does this word mean?
wool	Wanda is wearing a wool sweater.
was	We were washing our underwear.
women	We women always wait patiently.

Pronunciation Mistakes:

- 1-Saying V instead of W. EX: vent for went, veal for wheel
- 2-Omitting the W before vowels. EX: wool not ool, wood not ood

Hints:

1-W at the end of words is always silent. EX: how, sew, law, know

2-WH is pronounced a little bit different than W. EX: **watt** and **what**, **win** and **when**, **witch** and **which**, **weather** and **whether**. When W is followed by an H we expel air. Practice saying these sentences.

What do you want?	Which one do you want?	The women are wearing white.
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What was the question?	Whose water is this?	Where will you be?
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3-W is used in many consonant blends. Practice pronouncing these words. Ask if you don't know the definition.

sweat	sweet	swear	twin	twenty	tweet
twitter	twice	dwell	swing	sweep	swift

Using BY:

We use BY in many ways. We use it to mean "beside". EX: We walked by the lake. OR We walked beside the lake. Her desk is **by** mine. His house is **by** a river.

a- We use BY to talk about the cause of something. EX: The damage was done **by** the storm. The book was read **by** the author.

b- We use BY to talk about the method that was used. EX: We sent a letter **by** mail. She went to Chicago **by** train.

c- We use BY to talk about time or measures. EX: She charges **by** the hour. Gasoline is sold **by** the gallon. Flour is sold **by** the pound.

d- We use BY to mean not later than. EX: Please be home **by** ten o'clock. She will arrive **by** 8 PM.

e- We use BY to talk about numbers. EX: The box measures three feet **by** two feet. They won the game **by** three points. Divide 12 **by** 2.

Using BY in Expressions:

Jeff: Hi, Jennifer. I didn't know you were coming to this play. Are you here **by yourself**?

Jennifer: Yes, my sister was supposed to come with me, but had to cancel at the last minute.

Jeff: Do you mind if I sit in this seat? Are you saving it for someone?

Jennifer: No, **by all means**, sit here. I will appreciate the company.

Jeff: I heard you bought a house in the theatre district Do you enjoy living **close by**?

Jennifer: **By and large**. It's a bit noisy sometimes, but I do enjoy being able to walk to theaters and restaurants. **By the way**, I want to thank you for the lovely flowers you sent after my accident. I was really **touched by** that.

1. Do you prefer going to a play or going to a movie? Explain why.
2. Do you go to plays or movies often? What is the last movie you watched? What did you like about it?
3. Would you ever go to a movie or a play all by yourself?
4. Give an example of something you would be touched by.