

# LESSON 105

561 **identify**

**identity**

How would you be able to identify yourself in the street if you were stopped by the police ?  
I'd be able to ...  
by showing them my identity card, passport etc.

**so ... that**

Do you think it's possible for foreigners to learn English so well that people would think they were English?  
Yes, I think it's possible ...  
but it happens very rarely. It often depends  
on whether their own language is similar to English

What do you do in the evening when it's so cold that it'd be unpleasant to go out?  
In the evening ... so cold that ... I ...

**gather**

**clue**

Do I gather up my things from the table at the end of the lesson?  
Yes, you gather up your ...

At what time of the year do farmers gather the fruit in this part of the world?  
Farmers gather the fruit in ...  
in this part of the world

When a man has been murdered, how do the police gather information about the murder?  
When a man ...  
the police gather ... by looking for clues  
and talking to people who knew the man

562 On what occasions do all the members of a family gather together?  
All the members ... on occasions  
such as weddings, birthday parties etc.

**weigh**

About how much does your book weigh?  
My book  
weighs about ...

## cake

## literal

What does it mean: "You can't have your cake and eat it"?

The meaning of "You can't have your cake and eat it" is that sometimes you have to choose between having one thing or another thing, because you cannot have everything you want

## comfort

Are you the kind of person who puts home comforts before everything else?

Yes, I'm the kind ... ~ No, I'm not the kind ...

Why or why not?

Because I can't live without my comforts  
~ Because there are more important things in life

## relax

What do you do when you want to relax?

When I want to relax, I ...

## audience

## concert

If you could be in the audience at any concert, who would you like to see?

If I could ..., I'd like to see ...

563 pipe

## liquid

What's the most common way to move liquid or gas from one place to another?

The most common ... is through a pipe

Can you see any pipes in this room?

Yes, I can ... ~ No, I can't ...

Do you know anyone who smokes a pipe?

Yes, I know someone ... ~ No, I don't know anyone ...

## chimney

What's the use of a chimney?

The use of a chimney is to carry the smoke from a fire out of a building and into the air

## cry

Give me sentences showing the two meanings of the word "cry", please.

- 1) The film was so sad that the girl cried the whole time
- 2) "Be careful how you cross the road!" the child's mother cried

## Present perfect or past simple?

As we already know, the difference between the present perfect and the past simple is that we use the present perfect when we are thinking about time before and up to now, whereas we use the past simple when we are thinking about a specific past time. For example, "I have been here for twenty minutes; I arrived here twenty minutes ago".

564 What's the difference between the present perfect and the past simple?

The difference between ... is that we use the present perfect when we are thinking about time before and up to now, whereas we use the past simple when we are thinking about a specific past time

Give me an example of each, please.

I have been here for twenty minutes. I arrived here twenty minutes ago.

Now think about this sentence:

"I ate eggs for breakfast today."

In sentences like this, some students make the mistake of saying "I have eaten" because they are using the word "today". This is wrong. We say "I ate eggs for breakfast today" because, as the rule tells us, we are thinking about what happened at a specific past time – breakfast time. The fact that the word "today" is in the sentence changes nothing; we are not thinking about now. We are thinking about breakfast time, which is a specific past time.

Why do we say "I ate eggs for breakfast today" and not "I have eaten eggs for breakfast today"?

We say ... because we are thinking about what happened at a specific past time – breakfast time. We are not thinking about now.

Which of these two sentences is correct: "John got up quite late today" or "John has got up quite late today"?      ●f those two sentences,

"John got up quite late today" is correct

Why?

Because we are thinking about what happened at a specific past time – the time when John got up

Did you have a big breakfast today?

Yes, I had ...

~ No, I didn't have ...

What time did you come here today?

I came here at ... today

## 565 Idiom 6

**let someone down** = fail someone who is depending on us

e.g. If you don't come tomorrow and help me, I will lose everything. So please don't let me down.

What does the idiom "let someone down" mean?

The idiom ... "fail someone ..."

Give me an example, please.

Everyone was depending on him, but he let them down by not keeping his promise

## elephant



### Dictation 69

He guessed the name of the Prime Minister correctly. Elephants are among the most powerful animals in the world. Her wedding dress was not the same as mine, but it was very similar. He rode his bicycle at top speed down the hill and hit a bus. Join now before it is too late. To his surprise, he found that his name was not on the list, which meant he had not been accepted. When we fill in a passport application form, we must state our name, address, date of birth, occupation etc. The following is a statement: "A man, when he is drunk, often wants to fight." None of his predictions were correct.