

LESSON 112

603 joke

Do you like people who are always laughing and joking? Yes, I like ...
~ No, I don't like ...

Can you tell us a joke? Yes, I can tell you a joke
~ No, I can't tell you a joke

pretend

What am I pretending to do? You're pretending to play
the piano, kick a football etc.

When children play together, do they often pretend to be adults?
Yes, when children play ...

If you see someone you know in the street but you're in too much of
a hurry to stop and say hello, do you sometimes pretend not to notice
them? Yes, if I see ..., I sometimes pretend ...
~ No, if I see ..., I never pretend ...

envelope

stamp

leave out

postcode

What do we have to put on an envelope before posting a letter?
We have to put an address and a stamp on ...

If you write the address on the envelope but leave out the postcode, will
the letter still arrive? Yes, if you write ..., the letter
will still arrive, but it may take longer

604 What am I pretending to do? You're pretending to stamp
a piece of paper with a stamp

naturally

Would you find it difficult to behave naturally if you met someone really
famous? Yes, I'd find it ...
~ No, I wouldn't find it ...

What do I mean if I say "Naturally, she was pleased about passing the test"?

If you say "Naturally, she ...",
you mean "Of course, she ..."

recent

so-so

What is the most recent film you have seen?

The most recent ...

What was it like – that is, was it good, bad, or just so-so?

It was ...

Have you been to any concerts recently?

Yes, I've been ...
~ No, I haven't been ...

mate

housemate

flatmate

classmate

workmate

What can we say instead of the word "friend" in very informal English?

We can say "mate" instead of ...

What's a housemate or flatmate?

A housemate or flatmate
is someone who we live with

Do you know the names of all your classmates?

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

605 If you thought one of your workmates was stealing money from the company you worked for, what would you do?

If I thought
one of ..., I'd ...

to look forward to

If you are looking forward to something, it means that you are waiting for it with pleasure. For example, "I always look forward to going on holiday".

Is there anything you're really looking forward to doing at the moment?

Yes, there's something ...
~ No, there isn't anything ...

What?

What kind of things do you look forward to most?

The kind of
things I ... are ...

let me see

The expression "Let me see" means "Give me time to think for a minute".

What does the expression "Let me see" mean? The expression ...
"Give me time to think for a minute"

On what kind of occasions do we use it? We use it on
occasions when we are
thinking about something and
we are not completely sure of the answer

606 **chance**

dismiss

jungle

fifty-fifty

take a chance

If you were the owner of a business and one of your workers stole something from the business, would you give them a second chance, or would you dismiss them at once?

If I were ... from
the business, I'd ...

Why?

Supposing there was a place, shall we say, somewhere in the middle of a jungle in South America, where you knew for sure that there was about fifty million pounds' worth of gold, but the chances of returning alive were only fifty-fifty, would you go and take a chance and try your luck, or would you just stay at home and dream about it?

Supposing there was ...
where I knew ... only fifty-fifty, I'd ...

Why?

whistle

What am I doing?

You're whistling

hunt

Many years ago, did humans have to hunt animals for food?

Yes, many years ago, humans ...

607 **deed**

Why should we judge a person by his deeds more than by his words?

We should judge ... because it's easier to say things than to do them

grease

What do we use grease for?

We use ... to make the different parts of a machine move smoothly

scissors

What do we use a pair of scissors for?

We use a pair of scissors for cutting paper etc.

take control

lose control

If you were in a bus going downhill and the driver suddenly lost control of the bus, what'd you do?

If I were ..., I'd try to take control of the bus etc.

due

due to

What might happen if you didn't pay your electricity bill when it was due?

If I didn't pay ..., they might come and cut the electricity off ...

When are you due to come here again?

I'm due to ...

Why don't trains always arrive when they are due?

Trains don't ... because of bad weather, breakdowns etc.

608 When a person is rich, do you think it's due to the fact that they're more intelligent than most other people, or do you think it's mainly due to luck?

When a person ..., I think it's ...

grandmother

grandfather

great-grandmother

great-grandfather

Were your grandmothers both born in the same country as you?

Yes, my **g**randmothers were both ...

~ No, my **g**randmothers weren't both ...

What do we call our grandfather's father?

We call ...

our **g**reat-**g**randfather

mostly

Are the people in this country mostly tea drinkers or coffee drinkers?

The people in ... are mostly ...

Do you think that passing exams is mostly a question of luck?

Yes, I think ... ~ No, I don't think ...

totally

Do you think your language is totally different from English?

Yes, I think ... ~ No, I don't think ...

If a friend of yours is wearing clothes that look totally wrong on them, do you tell them?

Yes, if a friend ..., I tell them

~ No, if a friend ..., I don't tell them

609 **Idiom 13**

let yourself go = relax and enjoy yourself

e.g. The party was a **g**reat success; everyone really let themselves **g**o.

What does the idiom "let yourself go" mean?

The idiom ...

"relax ..."

Give me an example, please.

If you relax a little and let yourself **g**o, you'll feel happier

sentence



Dictation 74

The court was deadly silent, as the judge sentenced the criminal to life in prison.
The man was not very badly hurt in the accident, which happened on the station platform, but he was taken to hospital to see the doctor, just to be on the safe side. It is irritating that he always confuses the meaning of the words "rough" and "smooth". When judging anything, we should always try to look under the surface of things and see things as they really are.



Do Revision Exercise 49