

LESSON 41

211 **wife – wives**

help

What's the plural of "wife"?

The plural of "wife" is "wives"

Do husbands in this country generally help their wives in the house?

Yes, husbands in this country generally help their wives in the house ~ No, husbands in this country don't generally help their wives in the house

If you can't answer a question during the lesson, who helps you to answer it?

If I can't answer a question during the lesson, the teacher helps me to answer it

If you help me, do you think we can lift this table together?

Yes, if I help you, I think we can lift this table together ~ No, if I help you, I don't think we can lift this table together

common

Which is the most common drink in this country besides water?

... is the most common drink in this country besides water

fire

Do you have a fire at home in winter?

Yes, I have a fire at home in winter ~ No, I don't have a fire at home in winter

212 **broad**

Which is the broadest street in your town?

... is the broadest street in my town

rich

Who is the richest person you know? ... is the richest person I know

poor

Name me one of the poorest countries in the world? ... is one of the poorest countries in the world

story

bedtime

Do you like reading war stories? Yes, I like reading war stories
~ No, I don't like reading war stories

Do parents in your country read bedtime stories to their children?
Yes, parents in my country read bedtime stories to their children ~ No, parents in my country don't read bedtime stories to their children

express

thought

Can you express a very simple idea quite well in English? Yes, I can
express a very simple idea quite well in English

Do you think it's easier to express your thoughts in writing or in speaking?
I think it's easier to express my thoughts in ...

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Irregular verbs

so

change

The past tenses of some verbs are irregular, and so we do not add "ed" to form the past tense. Instead, we change the word. For example, the past of "speak" is "spoke"; the past of "come" is "came" etc.

What's the past of "speak"? The past of speak is "spoke"

speak	–	spoke	drive	–	drove
come	–	came	forget	–	forgot
break	–	broke	see	–	saw
wear	–	wore	sit	–	sat
write	–	wrote	eat	–	ate
get up	–	got up	give	–	gave
stand	–	stood	begin	–	began
shine	–	shone	drink	–	drank
take	–	took	sleep	–	slept
tell	–	told			

Which language did we speak during the last lesson? We spoke English during the last lesson

What's the past of "come" ? The past of "come" is "came"

214 What time did you come here last lesson? I came here at ... last lesson

What's the past of "break" ? The past of "break" is "broke"

Did you ever break an arm or a leg when you were a little child?
 Yes, I broke an arm/a leg when I was a little child ~ No, I never broke an arm or a leg when I was a little child

What did you wear yesterday? I wore ... yesterday

Did I write anything on this piece of paper (or card) last lesson?
 Yes, you wrote something on that piece of paper (or card) last lesson ~ No, you didn't write anything on that piece of paper (or card) last lesson

What time did you get up this morning? I got up at ... this morning

Did we stand up after the last lesson? Yes, we stood up after the last lesson

Did the sun shine last week? Yes, the sun shone last week ~ No, the sun didn't shine last week

Did you take any photographs on your last holiday? Yes, I took
some photographs on my last holiday ~
No, I didn't take any photographs on my last holiday

Did you tell me your name? Yes, I told you my name

Did anybody in your family drive a car last year? Yes, somebody in
my family drove a car last year ~ No,
nobody in my family drove a car last year

Did you remember all the new words last lesson from the lesson before
that? No, I didn't remember all the new
words last lesson from the lesson before
that; some I remembered and some I forgot

215 What did you see in this classroom last lesson? I saw some books,
some chairs, a teacher etc.
in this classroom last lesson

Where did you sit during the last lesson? I sat ... during the last lesson

What did you eat for your lunch yesterday? I ate some ...
for my lunch yesterday

Did I give you a dictation last month? Yes, you gave us a
dictation last month

When did last season begin? Last season began on ...

What did you drink with your breakfast this morning? I drank some ...
with my breakfast this morning

How long did you sleep last night? I slept ... last night