

# LESSON 91

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483 **tell**

**say**

The most important difference between "tell" and "say" is that after "tell" we indicate the person we are speaking to, but after "say" we usually do not.

For example: I told David that I was going on holiday.

I said that I was going on holiday.

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Give me an example, please.

She told him that it was important.

She said it was important.

After the verb "say", it is possible to indicate the person we are speaking to by using the word "to". For example: I said to David that I was going on holiday. After the verb "tell", however, we don't use "to".

After the verb "say", how is it possible to indicate the person we are speaking to?

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With direct speech, we normally use the verb "say", and not "tell". For example: He said "I will see you tomorrow".

For direct speech, which verb do we normally use: "say" or "tell"?

For direct speech, we normally use the verb "say".

Give me an example, please.

She said "I'm hungry".

484 With indirect speech, we can use either "say" or "tell", but we must use "tell" to report an order, not "say". For example: He told me to go downstairs.

Which of these sentences is correct?

He told me to go away

or

He said me to go away

The first sentence "He told me to go away" is correct

## risen

What are the three forms of "rise"?

The three forms of "rise" are "rise, rose, risen"

Have you ever risen before the sun has risen?

Yes, I've sometimes risen ... ~ No, I've never risen ...

## gain

## transaction

## degree

The verb "to earn" generally means "to receive money for work done", whereas the verb "to gain" generally means "to get more of something". For example, we can gain strength, time, friends etc, or we can gain money through a business transaction.

What's the difference between "to earn" and "to gain"?

The difference between "to earn" and "to gain" is that the verb "to earn" ... , whereas the verb "to gain" ...

If you bought a business for £4 million and sold it later for half that amount, would you be gaining by doing so?

No, if I ... I wouldn't be gaining by doing so; I'd be losing

How much would your loss be?

My loss would be £2 million

Does your watch generally gain or lose time, or does it keep perfect time?

My watch generally ...

485 What's the best way to gain friends?

The best way ... is to be nice to people

How long does it take the average student to gain a degree at university in your country?

It takes the average student about ... in my country

As regards learning a language, would you gain anything by going to the country where it was spoken?

Yes, as regards learning a language, I'd gain something by ...

Why? Because I'd be able to speak the language every day

**mark**

**out of**

**petrol**

**well-known**

**trademark**

Are there any marks on these walls? Yes, there are ...  
~ No, there aren't ...

What kind of marks are they? They're ...

Who marks your dictations? I mark my dictations myself

How many marks did you get in your last English exam? I got ...  
marks out of 100 in my ...

Which petrol company do you think has the most well-known trademark?  
I think ... has the most well-known trademark

486 **base**

**basis**

**basic**

What part of the book is this? It's the bottom,  
or the base, of the book

What do you consider to be the basis of a good life? I consider ... to be  
the basis of a good life

Is it normal for language learners to continue making basic grammatical  
mistakes even though they know the rules? Yes, it's normal for ...

What do you think is basically the difference between your own language  
and English? I think that, basically,  
the difference between my  
own language and English is ...

**include**

When you stay at a hotel for one night, does the price you pay usually  
include breakfast? Yes, when you stay at ...  
~ No, when you stay at ...

**brush**

What do we use to clean our shoes with? We use a  
shoe brush to clean ...

What other kinds of brushes are there?

There are hairbrushes, toothbrushes, paintbrushes etc.

**box**

Do you like to watch boxing?

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

Why or why not?

487 **type**

What type of film do you watch most?

I watch ...

Can you type?

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

How many words a minute?

About ... words a minute

**previous**

**occasion**

**wedding**

**video**

Have you met me on many previous occasions?

Yes, I've met you ...  
~ No, I haven't met you ...

Did you have any previous experience of the Callan Method before you came here?

Yes, I had some ... before I came here  
~ No, I didn't have any ... before I came here

Why do people often make videos of special occasions like weddings?

People often ... so that they can remember them better

**plan**

**interfere**

**interference**

What do we mean by a street plan of a town?

By a ..., we mean a map showing the streets of the town and their names

Do you usually write your plans in a diary?

Yes, I usually write my ...  
~ No, I don't usually write my ...

Do you think it's a good idea for teenagers to plan their futures whilst still at school?

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

Why or why not?

488 Do you think a young person should be allowed to plan their own future without the interference of their parents?

Yes, I think ...

~ No, I don't think ...

Why or why not?

## strange-looking



### Dictation 58

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Some people/ have the manners of a pig./ Although he has lain in bed/ for several hours./ he is still awake./ They did not notice/ the strange looking house./ When people owe us a lot of money./ we ought really to have a piece of paper/ with their signature on it/ and the amount they owe./ The servant took great pride/ in his work at the palace./ The lorry ran over some glass./ and so we had to get out/ and change/ one of the wheels