

TOEFL LESSON 19

INDEPENDENT QUESTIONS

Q1: Describe a resource that helped you to do something better than before. Describe it and explain why it was helpful to you.

Q2: What is your favorite way of getting around? Describe it and explain why it is your favorite means of transportation.

Q3: What was your favorite subject at school? Describe it and explain why this subject was your favorite one.

INTEGRATED TASK



Now listen to two students talking.



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Question: How are the students dealing with the situation surrounding the guest speaker?

Preparation time: 20 seconds

Speaking time: 60 seconds

Audio Tape scripts:

(woman) Hey, Lee, are you going to the outdoor theater tonight?
(man) What for? Is something going on there tonight?
(woman) A guest speaker you said you wanted to go listen to is going to be there.
(man) Which one? I didn't know about any guest speaker at the outdoor theater tonight.
(woman) You know, the guest speaker from the governor's office. You said you wanted to go hear him speak.
(man) But I thought that wasn't until next week. He's scheduled to speak next week. Not tonight.
(woman) No, really. He's going to be speaking at the outdoor theater tonight. I just saw a notice posted over by the theater, and it said he would be speaking tonight.
(man) Wow, I really thought it was next week. I have it written on my calendar that it's next week.
(woman) I actually thought it was scheduled for next week, too.
(man) You know, I really think the schedule must've been changed if we both thought it was next week and not tonight.
(woman) Yeah, the schedule must've been changed, but if it was, then no one did a very good job of letting people know. There's just a sign over at the theater, but most people won't see it until it's too late.
(man) I think we really should let our friends know.
(woman) That sounds like a good idea. Maybe they don't know the speaker's tonight, either.

VOCABULARY HOMEWORK:

- The councilman berated the mayor in the meeting.
(A) acclaimed
(B) **tongue-lashed**
(C) commended
(D) lauded
- Nothing can bereave us of such sweet memories.
(A) increase
(B) **deprive**
(C) appeal
(D) invoke
- The criminal finally besought mercy.
(A) **begged**
(B) forsook
(C) abdicated
(D) abjured
- For ten years the Greeks besieged the city of Troy for the sake of Helen.
(A) **surrounded**
(B) besmeared
(C) besmirched
(D) bespattered
- She deserved all the praises bestowed upon her.
(A) donated
(B) **conferred**
(C) bereft
(D) attested
- Coffee, tea, wine, beer, and milk are beverages.
(A) ambrosia
(B) nectar
(C) **drinks**
(D) junk
- Almost every author has a biased estimate of his own book.
(A) impartial
(B) **prejudiced**
(C) fair
(D) neutral
- Man and wife tend to bicker over small things.
(A) **argue**
(B) negotiate
(C) concur
(D) harmonize
- The employee wanted to ask a raise but bided his time until the right moment.
(A) overlooked
(B) **awaited**
(C) hastened
(D) dawdled
- John is a bigoted young man.
(A) broad-minded
(B) **narrow-minded**
(C) liberal
(D) berserk

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