

Lesson 93

I'll get around to it.

Target: Having a conversation about procrastination.

Vocabulary

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Procrastination



Related vocabulary

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| - to procrastinate | - to leave... till the last minute / it's too late | - to postpone... |
| - to be lazy | - to lose track of time | - to put off... |
| - to forget about... | - (a problem) to work itself out | - to pull an all-nighter |
| - to slip one's mind | - to find oneself short on time | - to cram |
| - to screw around | - to kick back | - time management |
| - to waste time | - to day dream | - to get back to... |
| - to kill time | - to stare off into space | - to get around to... |

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. Would you describe yourself as being a lazy person?
2. What's something that you have forgotten about?
3. Do any of your friends screw around a lot?
4. Do you daydream a lot? What do you daydream about?
5. Are any of your friends procrastinators?
6. What's something important that has slipped your mind?
7. When was the last time you just lied around the house all day?
8. What do you usually put off doing?
9. When was the last time you had to pull an all-nighter?
10. Did any of your friends often stare off into space when they were students?

Partner #2: Questions

1. Do you often procrastinate? What about your friends and co-workers?
2. What do you usually do to kill time?
3. Are you good at time management?
4. What do you usually waste time doing?
5. What's something that you've left to the last minute?
6. Do you or any of your friends veg out on the weekends?
7. Do you usually try to kick back after work?
8. When was the last time you found yourself a little bit short on time to do something?
9. What's something you said you'd get around to, but didn't?
10. Do you usually have to cram before tests?

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

- 1. Role-play:** Partner #1: (Training manager) You have been receiving some reports that the new staff member is often seen not doing work. Have a meeting with them to discuss their work ethic.
Partner #2: (Staff) Your work is too easy for you, that's why you are able to finish it so quickly.
- 2. Discuss:** Bill Gates once said "I will always choose a lazy person to do a difficult job because a lazy person will find an easy way to do it." Do you think this is a good or bad idea? Why?