

Speaking club 4

- Describe a perfect date.
- Describe the appearance of the person you would like to date?
- Describe the character of the person you would like to date?
- Do women usually work after getting married in your country?
- Do you "go Dutch" when dating?
- Do you know what it means to 'go Dutch'?
- Is it usual for people in your country to 'go Dutch' if you go out together?
- Do older girls/boys have a problem dating younger girls/boys?
 - Do younger girls/boys have a problem dating older girls/boys?
- Do you believe in love at first sight?
 - Do you think some people know that they will fall in love with someone the first time they meet?
- Do you know what a 'blind date' is?
- Have you ever been on a blind date?
- Did you ever arrange a blind date?
- Do you drive or take the train when dating?

- Do you get along with your in-laws?
- Do you have a boyfriend/girlfriend?
 - Where did you meet your him/her?
 - What does he/she look like?
- Do you know anyone who has had an arranged marriage?
- Do you know someone who has gotten a divorce?
- Do you know the difference between love and like?
 - Can you still love your partner and not like him/her?
- Do you think a boy should pay for everything on a date?
- Do you think arranged marriages are a good idea? Why or why not?
 - What is your opinion of arranged marriages?

Common mistakes in English

1. **Refuse** and **Deny**

(a) **Refuse**

Don't say: The boy denied to take the money.

Say: The boy refused to take the money.

(b) **Deny**

Don't say: John refused that he had done it.

Say: John denied that he had done it.

"To refuse" means not to take what is offered or not to do what is asked to do;

"To deny" means to answer in the negative or to say that statement is not true.

2. **Made of** and **Made from**

(a) **Made of**

Don't say: The tables are usually made from wood.

Say: The tables are usually made of wood.

(b) **Made from**

Don't say: Bread is usually made of wheat.

Say: Bread is usually made from wheat.

"Made of" is used when the materials which the thing is made can still be seen;

"Made from" is used when the material which the thing is made can no longer be seen.

3. **Win** for **Earn**

Don't say: He wins his living by hard working.

Say: He earns his living by hard working.

"To earn" means to receive in return for work;

"To win" is to obtain as a result of fighting, competition, gambling, etc.

4. **Knowledge**

Don't say: He has good knowledges of history.

Say: He has a good knowledge of history.