

Unit 61

Frankly speaking, I have a dislike for/of talkative women – Me too.

Speaking/talking of cars, how is your new car, dear? – It runs like a dream and take little petrol.

This sentence is correct, grammatically speaking.

Speaking strictly, your opinion is different from mine.

Strictly speaking, this is illegal/ this was against the rules.

Strictly speaking, fast is an adjective while quickly is an adverb. Fast refers to speed, and quickly refers to time.

In general speaking, men are taller than women.

That's not (good) English, though grammatically speaking it is correct.

The cost is, roughly speaking, three thousand and six hundred dollars.

Many innocent civilians were killed during the war.

She was my only Chinese companion during my stay in England.

It would be wiser to cut out all alcohol during pregnancy.

In the Bible, Jesus performs several miracles, including bringing a man back from the dead.

The old house has its charms, including a beautiful window overlooking the sea.

According to a recent study, seventy percent of teenage girls in this country are either on a diet or think they should lose weight.

According to experts, this new material is harder than diamond.

According to the Catholic religion, you must confess your sins in order to go to heaven.

According to Gandhi, it is a sin to have wealth without work.

According to recent studies, the average female between the ages of 20 and 44 is more likely to be overweight than males in the same age.

According to the new study, eating excess sugar causes heart disease.

The meaning of words can change according to their context.

We had a staff meeting concerning the new policy.

Smoking increases your risk for many health problems, including cancer and heart disease.

One of the advantages of studying in an English-speaking country is that you can practice your English outside of class.

I want to become a farmer. I will grow fruit-bearing trees.

It's a heart-breaking story.

Nam is a hard-working man.

According to the RIAA, the Beatles are the best-selling music artists in the United States.

Learning a language seems to be a never-ending process.

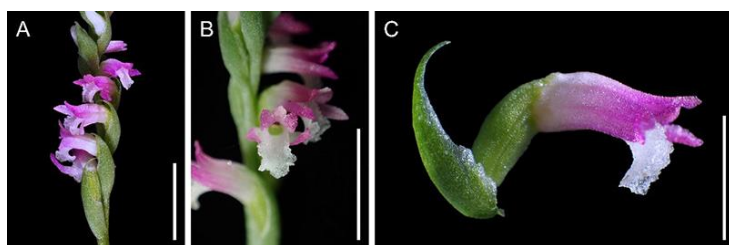
Who's that good-looking young woman? – She's Mr Nam's daughter.

From the distance, a strange-sounding melody was heard.

Five mouthwatering beef steak recipes.

It left a long-lasting taste in my mouth.

Organization of Oil Exporting Countries (OPEC) is an organization consisting twelve member countries.



Nature is full of secrets. There are still many things to find out about it. One of those things was discovered last week in Japan. It is rare to find a new plant in Japan. Its trees, flowers and other flora are well documented. However, an amateur naturalist came across a new species of orchid in Tokyo. Scientists studied the flower and believe it grows in parks and gardens across Japan. The newly-found orchid is beautiful. It is pink and white, and its delicate petals look like they are made from glass. Professor Kenji Suetsugu from Kobe University said: "The discovery of new species in common places means it is necessary to keep exploring, even in everyday places that don't look so remarkable."

There are about 28,000 orchid species worldwide. The new orchid belongs to a class called *Spiranthes*. There are about 50 different kinds of *Spiranthes*. They are the most common kind of orchid in Japan. They are mentioned in a Japanese poem from the year 759. Professor Suetsugu said he and his colleagues were

"thrilled to have identified a new species". He said it was exciting because it wasn't found hidden deep in a rainforest or jungle. The discovery of the new orchid is good news. However, many orchids are on the endangered species list. This is because of habitat loss. We need to protect natural environments to stop flowers disappearing. If we lose more orchids, the world will be less colourful.

Second Hand Smoke

Secondhand smoke is a mixture of the smoke coming off of the burning end of a cigarette, cigar, or pipe (side stream smoke) and the smoke exhaled by the smoker (main stream smoke).

Burning tobacco puts thousands of chemicals into the air. Because side stream smoke is generated at lower temperatures and under different conditions than main stream smoke, it contains higher concentrations of many of the toxins found in inhaled cigarette smoke. It is involuntarily inhaled by nonsmokers, lingers in the air hours after cigarettes have been extinguished and can cause or exacerbate a wide range of adverse health effects, including cancer, respiratory infections, and asthma.

Secondhand smoke contains over 4,000 chemicals and hundreds of the chemicals are known to be toxic or carcinogenic- causing cancer. The Surgeon General's Report concluded that scientific evidence shows there is no risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke.



Thư Marx gửi con gái

You are 20 years old already. You are neither a child nor an adult. I want to tell you what every father wants to tell his daughter before she becomes a real adult. At age of 20, you should hear more or less facts I have never talked to you. You can hear the facts from a certain novel which is poetic or even romantic... But I better tell you what a father is sure to say.

You should have boyfriend. You are unable to confuse this. And your boyfriend will be, according to current conception, probably one of your friends. It doesn't mean that you live unrestrainedly with them. You have to respond to their excessive jokes by a cold face so the interlocutor knows he must respect women's dignity.

Con hai mươi rồi, không còn bé bỏng, nhưng chưa hẳn trưởng thành. Ba muốn nói với con những gì mà mọi người cha muốn nói với con gái, trước lúc con bé thực sự thành người lớn. Ở tuổi này, có thể con cũng ít nhiều biết những điều mà ba chưa bao giờ nói với con. Hoặc con biết qua mấy cuốn tiểu thuyết mộng mơ lãng mạn nào đó. Nhưng tốt nhất ba nên nói với con những gì một người cha nhất định phải nói.

Con nên có người yêu. Chuyện này thì rõ rồi. Bởi theo quan niệm hiện nay, người yêu có thể là một người trong số bạn bè của con đấy. Nói thế không có nghĩa là con có thể phóng túng dễ dãi với họ. Con phải biết đáp lại những trò đùa cợt quá trớn bằng vẻ mặt lạnh nhạt để kẻ phát ngôn kia hiểu rằng y phải tôn trọng phẩm giá phụ nữ.

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