Speak English With Vanessa

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English Speaking Practice

Dear English Learner,

Get ready to speak confidently with these daily-life English conversations. I recommend reading these sample conversations out loud and using the blank space on the last page to answer my challenge question using what you've learned. Thanks so much for learning English with me!

Your teacher, Vanessa

Vacation

Vanessa: Hey, Dan! How's your week going?

Dan: Oh, pretty good. I just got back from a week at the beach!

Vanessa: That sounds fun. Where'd you go?

Dan: We went to Pawley's Island. I've been going there since I was a kid.

Vanessa: Cool! What do you like to do at the beach?

Dan: Usually we just hang out all day at the beach. We swim, build sand castles, read books... I love it.

Vanessa: That sounds like a great vacation. Do you do that every year?

Dan: Yeah, my family meets up there every summer, and every other Christmas we rent a cabin there.

Vanessa: That's so cool! Welcome back.

| Vanessa: Hey! How's your week going? |
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| Vanessa: That sounds fun. Where'd you go? |
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| Vanessa: Cool! What do you like to do at the beach? |
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| Vanessa: That sounds like a great vacation. Do you do that every year? |
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Vanessa: That's so cool! Welcome back.

Weekend Plans

Vanessa: Hey, Dan! Are you doing anything fun this weekend? Dan: Yeah! I'm hanging out with some friends that are visiting from out of town. Vanessa: That sounds fun. What are you gonna do? Dan: We are gonna go on a hike, go to my favorite restaurant downtown, and just hang out and catch up. Vanessa: Cool! What is your favorite restaurant? Dan: There's an Asian fusion restaurant that makes really great tacos. The kimchi is so good! Vanessa: That sounds great. What else are you gonna do? Dan: I think we'll walk around downtown, check out some shops, grab a few beers from the local breweries. Vanessa: That sounds like fun! Enjoy your weekend! Vanessa: Hey! Are you doing anything fun this weekend? Vanessa: That sounds fun. What are you gonna do? You: _____ Vanessa: Cool! What is your favorite place to go? You: Vanessa: That sounds great. What else are you gonna do? You: Vanessa: That sounds like fun! Enjoy your weekend!

Work and Job

Vanessa: Hey, Dan! How's your new job going?

Dan: It's good! I am learning a lot, and I really like the people I work with. Vanessa: That sounds fun. What kind of work are you doing? Dan: I am working at an animal rescue. I take care of animals until they are healthy enough to go to a permanent home. Vanessa: Cool! What got you interested in that kind of work? Dan: I have always loved animals. This job allows me to take care of them and make sure they have a good life. Vanessa: That's really great. What's the most challenging part of the job? Dan: Sometimes the animals need more help than we can give them, so we have to send them away to get more care. Vanessa: That sounds tough, but it sounds like a great job. Good luck! Vanessa: Hey! How's your new job going? Vanessa: That sounds fun. What kind of work are you doing? Vanessa: Cool! What got you interested in that kind of work? You: Vanessa: That's really great. What's the most challenging part of the job? You: Vanessa: That sounds tough, but it sounds like a great job. Good luck!

Movies and TV Shows

Vanessa: Hey, Dan! What have you been watching lately? Dan: I just got into this murder mystery show. It's so good! Vanessa: That sounds interesting. What's it about? Dan: A man stumbles upon a body in the woods. They're trying to figure out who it is and how they died. Vanessa: Oh! What do you think is going to happen? Dan: I don't know. It could have been a crazy accident or it could be something darker. I'll have to keep watching to find out. Vanessa: It sounds like a great show, maybe I'll start watching it too! Do you have any other recommendations? Dan: I have a ton! I'll send them to you after I finish this show. Vanessa: Thanks! I'll talk to you later Vanessa: Hey! What have you been watching lately? You: Vanessa: That sounds interesting. What's it about? You: _____ Vanessa: Oh! What do you think is going to happen? Vanessa: It sounds like a great show, maybe I'll start watching it too! Do you have any other recommendations? You: Vanessa: Thanks! I'll let you get back to your show.

Health

| Vanessa: Hey, Dan! How are you feeling today? |
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| Dan: I don't feel so hot. I have a headache, and I'm really tired. |
| Vanessa: Maybe you're coming down with something. Have you taken anything for it? |
| Dan: I haven't taken anything yet, but maybe I should. |
| Vanessa: Do you want me to make you some tea or hot soup? |
| Dan: That would be really great. I'd appreciate that. |
| Vanessa: Can I get you some medicine or call the doctor and make an appointment for you? |
| Dan: That's okay, I'll call the doctor and see if he can see me today. Thank you for your help. |
| Vanessa: I hope you feel better soon! |
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Family

Vanessa: Hey, Dan! How was your get-together with your family? I know you were really looking forward to it.

Dan: It was great! I got to grill out with my dad, and all the kids got to run around and play together. At night, all the cousins played cards and caught up on each other's lives. It was so much fun.

Vanessa: That sounds like a blast! How many cousins do you have?

Dan: I have six cousins, and they all have two or three kids each. You do the math!

Vanessa: Wow, that's a big family! Do you get to see each other often?

Dan: I see my immediate family a lot, but not my cousins and their kids. We try to get together for a few days every summer, but sometimes we can't all make it.

Vanessa: That sounds like a lot of fun. What's your favorite thing to do together as a family?

Dan: I love seeing all of our kids playing together. And playing games together is so much fun! We're all really competitive but we have so much fun, regardless of who wins or loses.

| Vanessa: That's really cool. Thanks for sharing about your family! |
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| Vanessa: Hey! How was your get together with your family? I know you were really looking forward to it. |
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| Vanessa: That sounds like a blast! How big is your family? |
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| Vanessa: Wow! Do you get to see each other often? |
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| Vanessa: That sounds like a lot of fun. What's your favorite thing to do together as a family? |
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| You: |
| Vanessa: That's really cool. Thanks for sharing about your family! |
| Birthday Plans |
| Vanessa: Hey Dan, you look busy. What's up? |
| Dan: Oh, I'm right in the middle of planning a birthday party for my son. |
| Vanessa: A birthday party that sounds fun. What kind of party are you going to have? |
| Dan: That's what I'm trying to decide. He really likes bowling. So I think we'll probably have a bowling party. |
| Vanessa: Well, you certainly can't strike out with that idea. Ha Ha Ha. But all joking aside, would you like me to help you get the invitations ready? |
| Dan: That would be great. I want to pass them out later this afternoon when we get together with his friends at the park. |
| Vanessa: In that case, I better get started right now! |
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Dinner Plans

Vanessa: Hey, Dan! I'm trying to decide what to do for dinner. Do you have any suggestions? Dan: How about pizza and pasta? Vanessa: That sounds delicious. Do you know a good place? Dan: I do! I've been hearing a lot of good things about this new Italian restaurant that opened downtown. Vanessa: Let's try it! Do you have any recommendations on what to order? Dan: I've heard the lasagna is great, but the pizza looks good too. Let's try a little bit of everything! Vanessa: My stomach is growling just thinking about it. Is it too early to go now? Dan: It's never too early. I'm ready! Vanessa: Let's go! Vanessa: Hey! I'm trying to decide what to do for dinner. Do you have any suggestions? Vanessa: That sounds delicious. Do you know a good place? Vanessa: Let's try it! Do you have any recommendations on what to order? You: Vanessa: My stomach is growling just thinking about it. Is it too early to go now? You: Vanessa: Let's go!

Vanessa's Challenge Question

Use the space below to write a few sentences answering this question.

What kind of birthday party do you want to have this year?

Tell me who you want to invite, what kind of food will be there, what kind of cake you want to have, and what kind of entertainment will be there

Sample answer: I am so excited for my birthday this year! I am inviting my friends to go to a wildlife reserve to see a bunch of wild animals, including American bison and water buffaloes. There is a popular pizza restaurant in the town we're going to, so we'll have lunch there. I didn't really want a cake, so my mom is going to make a huge batch of my favorite cookies. I am so excited to see all the wild animals and take pictures of them.

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