# Time Management

**Conversation Club** — Lesson 9

#### Warmup Conversation—Time Management

- 1. Are you a very motivated person or do you wait until the last minute to do things?
- 2. What technology helps you to be productive? How?
- 3. Do you think that people are more productive because of genetics or how they were raised?
- 4. How can people improve their productivity?
- 5. Who is the most productive person you know personally? How about really productive famous people? What makes them so productive?
- 6. Do you think people today work harder than their parents?
- 7. What are some things you want to do but don't have time for?
- 8. What is the biggest waste of time for you?
- 9. What advice would you give your children regarding productivity?
- 10. Do you think smart phones increase or decrease productivity?
- 11. What do you think was the most productive period of your life so far?

#### **Time-related Idioms**

- 1. better late than never
- 2. call it a day
- 3. to be burned out
- 4. crunch time
- 5. to be swamped
- 6. time flies
- 7. against the clock
- 8. to bite off more than one can chew
- 9. in the nick of time
- 10. in the long run
- 11. a full plate



#### **Practice**

- 1. What kinds of activities burn you out quickly?
- 2. Do you feel like you have a full plate right now? Why?
- 3. What do you do when you want to kill some time?
- 4. Do you prefer being swamped with work or having nothing to do?
- 5. How do you decide when it's time to call it a day?
- 6. Do you tend to procrastinate until it's crunch time, or do you plan ahead?
- 7. When was the last time you felt you were working against the clock?
- 8. Do you feel like time has been flying for you lately?
- 9. What are some things you don't enjoy but that you know will pay off in the long run?
- 10. Do you anyone who often bites off more than they can chew?

## **Quizlet Live**

https://quizlet.com/ 6on3zw

#### Review

- 1. Do you often find yourself burning the midnight oil? Why?
- 2. When can cutting corners get you in trouble? When can it be a good thing?
- 3. What type of things do you stock up on? Why?
- 4. Do you like to go on double dates? Do you think you'd enjoy a blind date?
- 5. Have you recently caught a flick that you thought was out of this world? What was it?
- 6. What are things that make you blow a fuse?
- 7. Is it hard for you to save up for big purchases? Are you saving up for anything now?
- 8. Do you currently have any goals or projects on the back burner? What are they?
- 9. What are some examples of wanting to have your cake and eat it, too?
- 10. Have you ever been dumped? Have you ever dumped someone? How did you feel?
- 11. What are some pros and cons of social networking sites?
- 12. What do you do when you want to have a whale of a time?
- 13. What do you think is the best way to recharge your batteries?

#### Phrasal Verbs With Multiple Meanings

- 1. to pass out
- 2. to pick up
- 3. to take back
- 4. to take off
- 5. to take out
- 6. to take up
- 7. to turn down
- 8. to turn up
- 9. to work out



### Review

#### **Communication Idioms**

- to be like talking to a brick wall
- 2. to beat a dead horse
- 3. to beat a dead horse
- 4. beside the point
- 5. to bite one's tongue
- 6. bottom line
- 7. to butter someone up
- 8. to call someone's bluff
- 9. to get a hold of someone
- 10. to get something off one's chest
- 11. to play phone tag
- 12. to pull someone's leg



#### "Homework"

- Practice Quizlet sets:
  - o https://quizlet.com/class/10607276/
- Speak, speak (in English)!

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