LET'S LEARN ENGLISH

Lesson 3: I'm Here!

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Let's Learn English is a course for English learners. Certified American English teachers designed the course for beginners. There are 52 lessons. Every fifth lesson, there is a review of the previous lessons.

Each week, there is a new lesson with video showing the lives of young Americans. The lesson includes instruction in speaking, vocabulary and writing.

There are also printable worksheets, assessments and lesson plans for individual learners and English teachers. We encourage you to follow the weekly lessons and share your progress with us through comments and email.

Summary

Anna is in her new apartment. She wants to cook dinner. She tries to call Marsha for help.

Speaking

Listen to the teacher in the video. Use your computer or phone to record yourself saying the words. Use this video to practice the new words for this lesson, learn how to answer the telephone, and practice asking for someone.

Download the worksheet and practice speaking English by asking and answering questions about addresses.

Pronunciation

Practice shortened sounds with the verb BE using this video.

Conversation

Anna: I am in my new apartment! Great! I live with Marsha. We're roommates. I want to cook dinner. Oh! Hmmm. Is there a supermarket near here? Marsha knows. Marsha's work number is 555-8986.

Man: Hello.

Anna: Hello. Is this Marsha? It is Anna.

Man: I am sorry. You have the wrong number.

Anna: Oh. Is this 555-8986? Man: No. This is 555-8689. Anna: Oh. Excuse me!

Man: Okay. 'Bye.

Anna: One more time. 555-8986. Please be Marsha.

Marsha: Hello. This is Marsha.

Anna: Yes, Marsha. I want to cook dinner. Marsha: Excuse me? Anna? Is that you?

Anna: Oh, yes. I am here! Marsha: Good. You are there.

Anna: I want to find a supermarket.

Marsha: Oh, okay. The supermarket is at 1500 Irving Street. It is near the

apartment.

Anna: Great! Goodbye! Marsha: Goodbye, Anna.

(Later)

Anna: There is a big supermarket on our street. And Marsha says I am a good

cook! Until next time! Bye!

Writing

Click to download the Activity Sheet and practice writing the names and addresses of friends or classmates.

Learning Strategy

Learning Strategies are the thoughts and actions that help make learning easier or more effective.

The strategy for this lesson is *Look for Ways to Practice*. Good language learners are always looking for new and different ways to practice using the language they want to learn. Here is an example of a learner who uses this strategy.

Alex wants to be more confident when he speaks English. He downloads podcasts of conversations in English. When he is walking or riding in a car he listens and repeats each sentence he hears. He writes text messages and emails in English, using the new words he wants to learn. Every day he talks with anyone who will speak English with him. Sometimes people ask him, "Did you live in an English speaking country?" because he is so confident in using English. Alex laughs and says "Someday!" and looks for more ways to practice.

For more information on using this strategy, see the Lesson Plan. How about you? How do you find ways to practice speaking English? Write us an email or leave a comment in the Comments section.

Listening Quiz

See how well you understand the lesson by taking this quiz. Each question has a video. Play the video and choose the correct answer.

New Words

cook - *v.* to prepare (food) for eating especially by using heat

dinner - *n.* the main meal of the day

excuse - v. to forgive someone for making a mistake or doing something wrong

find - v. to get or discover something or someone that you are looking for

here - *adv.* in this place or at this location

live - v. to have a home in a specified place

near - *adv.* close to something or someone

sorry - adj. feeling sorrow or regret

supermarket - *n.* a store where customers can buy a variety of foods and household items

there - adv. in that place or at that location

want - *v.* to desire or wish for something

wrong - *adj*. not suitable or appropriate for a particular purpose, situation, or person

Free Materials

Download the VOA Learning English Word Book for a dictionary of the words we use on this website.

Each *Let's Learn English* lesson has an Activity Sheet for extra practice on your own or in the classroom. This week, use it to practice writing addresses in

English.

For Teachers

See the Lesson Plan for this lesson for ideas and resources. <u>Send us an email</u> if you have comments or questions.

Grammar focus: Place pronouns: *here, there*

Topics: Apologizing: sorry, excuse me

Speaking and Pronunciation focus: Contractions with BE; polite telephone expressions

Now it's your turn. Send us an email or write to us in the Comments section below or on our Facebook page to let us know what you think of this lesson.