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What's happening this week?

This Friday's activity, the ILC Group Activity, will take the form of a workshop. Students will be given a task and will then work together in teams preparing and, later, presenting a set of ideas. Teams will be competing against one another, and two teams, whose ideas and presentations are voted most popular, will receive prizes. This will be a great chance for all of you to practise all four English language skills (reading, writing, listening and speaking) while working on a challenging task.

Though this activity might seem to be academic, we hope everyone will find it enjoyable. It will be held at Vethes Samosorn Hall, Sri Ayutthaya Road.

Tentative Schedule

09.00	The ILC Group Activity
10.30	Coffee/Tea Break
10.45	The ILC Group Activity (continued)
12.00	Lunch
13.00	The ILC Group Activity (continued)
14.15	Coffee/Tea Break
14.30	The ILC Group Activity (continued)
15.45	Announcement of Winners/Awarding of Prizes

NOTE:

*Please be at Vethes Samosorn Hall by 9.00 a.m.

*Casual dress is not acceptable

LEARNING STRATEGIES

Effective Reading

For learners of English, the thought of reading an entire novel written in English can be quite nerve-wracking. The book may seem very long, and the prospect of spending hours trying to read and understand the story can seem very off-putting. However, there are strategies which you can develop to help make the process of reading both simpler and more enjoyable. How can you begin to become an efficient reader and to enjoy literature written in English? Here are some tips to help you.

- **Choose something which is easy to read** If you are just beginning to read novels or stories in English, try to choose stories which you are already familiar with. For example, you may have read the book in your own language, or seen a film of the story. Also, avoid novels which are very long. Being able to finish the novel is one way to build confidence.
- **Don't focus on every word** Try to relax as you read, and understand the main ideas. Don't worry about minor details.
- **Guess the meaning of unfamiliar words** If a word or sentence seems important, re-read it and actively try to guess the meaning by using context to find the meaning of a word.
- **Make a note of important words** If an unfamiliar word appears more than once, it is probably important or useful. If you need to look it up in your dictionary, remember to make a note of the meaning – otherwise you will forget it and have to look it up again next time!

Adapted from: <http://www.bbc.co.uk>

Usana

Culture Corner



Business Etiquette & Protocol in Italy

Business Meeting Etiquette



The goal of the initial meeting is to **develop a sense of respect and trust** with your Italian business colleagues.



Have all your printed material available in both English and Italian.



Hire an **interpreter** if you are not fluent in Italian.



It is common to be interrupted while speaking, or for several people to speak at once.



People often raise their voice to be heard over other speakers, not because they are angry.



Although written agendas are frequently provided, they may not be followed. They serve as a jumping off point for further discussions.

Business Cards



Business cards are exchanged **after** the formal introduction.



To demonstrate proper respect for the other person, **look** closely at their business card before putting it in your pocket.



It is a good idea to have one side of your business card translated into Italian.



If you have a **graduate degree**, include it on your business card.



Make sure your **title is on your card**. Italians like knowing how you fit within your organization.

<http://www.kwintessesntial.co.uk>

Piyaporn

Here's the Answer...

Even



Q

I don't know when to use the word *even*. Can you explain?

A

- We can use *even* to talk about surprising extremes – when people do more than we expect.

She is rude to everybody. She is even rude to the police.
She has broken all her toys. She has even broken her bike.



They do everything together. They even brush their teeth together.

He speaks lots of languages. He even speaks Esperanto.

- *Even* can go in other positions when we want to emphasize a particular expression.

Anybody can do this. Even a child can do it.



He eats anything – even raw potatoes.

I work every day, even on Sundays.



Everybody got up early. Even George.

- *Even so* means “however”.

He seems nice. Even so, I don't really trust him.

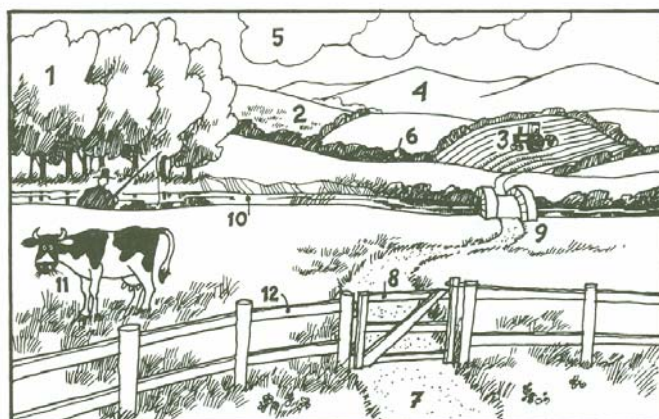


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FUN WITH ENGLISH

No.8 Out of doors

Rearrange the letters to find out the names of the things in the following drawing.



1	R	E	T	S	E	
2	E	D	L	F	I	
3	R	R	O	T	C	T A
4	U	I	N	A	N	M T O
5	U	C	O	L	D	
6	D	E	G	H	E	
7	H	T	P	A		
8	T	A	G	E		
9	R	E	G	B	I	D
10	I	V	R	R	E	
11	C	W	O			
12	C	N	F	E	E	

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Answers no.7

Cabbage means	have
Banana means	don't (do not)
Carrot means	that
Strawberry means	it
Egg means	think

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