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The ELI Weekly

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Dance Tutorial

Have fun and get some exercise, too!

Join us on Saturday, June 20th, for Dance Tutorial Night! Teach us dances from your culture and learn dances from around the world, including some of ours in the USA. Just watch and chat with us if you don't like to dance!

We will meet on Saturday from 4pm to 6pm.

Zoom Link:
<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/91828793198?pwd=ZWQ3YTlhcStSLysyUCtmd1lpVjhFZz09>

Zoom Meeting ID: 918 2879 3198
Password: LETS DANCE

NOTE: Because next week is Summer Break, we won't have an ELI Weekly, so we wanted to let you know that we will also have a Zoom Activity for you next Saturday, June 27th, for anyone still around and wanting to join your ELI friends. Our activity will be a Virtual Escape Room!

Solve puzzles with your ELI Friends to escape the scenario!

We will meet on Saturday, June 27th from 7:30-9:30pm.

Zoom Link:
<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/4501031957?pwd=ZGNmMFY0ZE91S3FmTU5lNGdoR056dz09>

Meeting ID: 450 103 1957
Password: escape

The Weekday Activities

Monday, 6/15: Game Night, 6:30-9:30pm.

Come and play Trivia with LAs and fellow ELI Students.

Zoom link:
<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/978081072?pwd=ZXh0QW9rTko4SGpBRzZCMXlpVzYwQT09>

Meeting ID: 978 081 072
Password 250371

Wednesday, 6/17: Coffee and Culture Talk. Join LAs and fellow ELI students for a discussion on culture! Brink your favorite warm drink.

Zoom Link:

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/98434624936?pwd=ajJzbFIBbEN3cE1EcTZsWUh2WXR6QT09>

Meeting ID: 984 3462 4936
Password: 267080

Thursday, 6/18: Movie Night. Vote between Mulan, To All the Boys I've Loved Before, and Knives Out, and watch with LAs and ELI friends. Use the chat feature to socialize during the movie.

Zoom Link:
<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/97204757825?pwd=Y2vXRXRvY1pxSTVEaHM1Qm66RHEvQT09>

Meeting ID: 972 0475 7825
Password 023879

NOTE: We wanted to let you know that we will still be holding Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday weeknight activities during Summer Break next week. The Zoom links and the times for all of the activities will all be the same ones that you see here for this week.

Notes from the Office

Summer Break: Next week will be Summer Break. There will be no ELI classes, but you can still reach the ELI administration and office staff.

July 4th Holiday: Whenever the US Independence Day holiday falls on a Saturday, UF takes the holiday as a day off on Friday, July 3rd. On this day, there will be no ELI Classes, and the ELI office and the university are closed. Also, there will be reduced RTS Bus service on Saturday, July 4th. You can check the schedules at go-RTS.com.

Santa Fe College Meeting

We will be meeting with the Santa Fe College folks for information on Santa Fe admission on June 16 at 3:30pm via Zoom. Below is the Zoom invitation.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://sfcollege.zoom.us/j/93522539886>

Birthdays

The following are ELI Birthdays for the weeks of June 17 to June 30:

Students:
June 25: Khalid Hanbashi

Staff:
None this week!

Happy birthday everyone!

Manners and Culture

Q: Why is public transportation poor in most American cities?

A: The United States is very wide and has a lot of open space. Many of the major cities outside of the Northeast and Upper Midwest became large cities after the invention of the automobile. These two factors created a need for a strong highway system, rather than a strong public transportation system as is common in older countries. Rising oil prices, increasingly clogged traffic, and damages to our environment are forcing us to reconsider these choices. In recent years, most cities with metropolitan populations in the US over about 3 million have put in at least light rail systems and dedicated bus lanes, if not new metro systems.

Q: Why don't the buses run at night on the weekends?

A: The bus routes are based on ridership and profits. During the week, all of the bus routes are busy and



there are more bus routes. The more people that need a route, the more busses that run on that route. Not as many people ride the bus late at night on the weekends, so RTS doesn't offer services because it would be a waste of resources.

Grammar

Q: What's the difference between "borrow" and "lend"?

A: It's the same as the difference between "take" and "give". You borrow something from someone. That someone lends it to you. Interestingly, we are involved in a shift in usage. The verb "lend" is rapidly disappearing and being replaced by what used to be exclusively the noun "loan".

- Can I borrow pencil?
- Can you lend me a pencil?
- Can you loan me a pencil?
- Can I take a pencil?
- Can you give me a pencil?

Quote of the Week

The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.

--Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



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