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The ELI Weekly



At-Home Scavenger Hunt

Join us for a little treasure hunting!

This Saturday, July 18, we will be holding an at-home scavenger hunt. Join us for some fun with a twist! It's time to think outside the box when finding items around the house as quickly as you can. Let's see who can rack up the most points!

We will meet on Saturday from 4-6pm.

Zoom Link:

https://ufl.zoom.us/j/97465216137?pwd =QjBoaTU3bHRkRE9sTk15VUpNdG9 UZz09

Meeting ID: 974 6521 6137 Password: scavenger

The Weekday Activities

Monday Game Night: This week we will be playing Code Names with LAs and ELI students.

Zoom Link:

https://ufl.zoom.us/j/978081072?pwd= ZXh0QW9tTko4SGpBRzZCMXlpVzY wQT09

Meeting ID: 978 081 072 Password: 250371

Wednesday Coffee and Culture Talk: Join LAs and students for a discussion this week on our careers! Bring your favorite warm drink.

Zoom Link:

https://ufl.zoom.us/j/97621063308?pwd =aTZ1bnhOS1Vtc1hwMFRmcXdSNHh aZz09

Meeting ID: 976 2106 3308 Password: 345079

Thursday Movie Night: Vote between A Walk to Remember, Shrek, and The Princess and the Pauper, and watch with LAs and ELI friends! Use the chat feature to socialize during the movie!

Zoom Link:

https://ufl.zoom.us/j/2610086854?pwd =aDJXc3c2eWZmK0FkZEdEbXd1MS 81QT09

Meeting ID: 261 008 6854 Password: ELIMovies

Fall 2020 Update

We can finally make plans for the fall semester! Following guidance from the United States government and the University of Florida, the ELI will return to on-campus classes for the Fall C 2020 semester. As we return to campus, your safety and well-being are a

top priority. We will follow University of Florida protocols for re-opening at https://coronavirus.ufl.edu. ELI classes will meet the requirements of the US Government for F1 students in the US.

You should have received an important email from the ELI on Monday with more details on what the plan means to you. You can also attend a meeting with the ELI administrators on Tuesday at 3:15pm (using this Zoom Link: https://ufl.zoom.us/j/95360227783?pwd = aWphQTF0K3c0Q1UrRGVDczlYc2V MUT09) or, starting next week, visit Daryl during his Zoom advising sessions on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:00 to 4:00pm to have more questions answered.

We look forward to welcoming you back to campus!

Birthdays

The following are ELI birthdays from July 15 to July 21:

Students:

July 15: Eliana Echeverria Reyes July 18: Abdulmailk Albelaihed July 18: Laura Viamonte Staff: None this week! Happy Birthday!

Manners and Culture

Q: Why do Americans make such a big deal about their 21st birthday?

A: Turning 21, for most young adults, is a big deal because they feel like they are really starting to begin their adult life. Also, they are now allowed to legally drink.

Q: Why don't young people in the U.S. care about their families?

A: Not all young people are the same, but most young adults see this period in their lives as a time when they can grow up and become independent. Most young people do care about their families, they just have different ways of showing it.

Grammar

Q: What is the difference between less and fewer?

A: Use *fener* if you're referring to people or things in the plural (e.g. houses, newspapers, dogs, students, children).

 People these days are buying fewer newspapers.

Use *less* when you're referring to something that can't be counted or doesn't have a plural (e.g. money, air, time, music, rain).

• It's a better job but they pay you **less** money.

Less is also used with numbers when they are on their own and with expressions of measurement or time.

• Their marriage lasted **less** than two **years**.

Q: What is the difference between comparatives and superlatives?

A: Use the comparative form to show the difference between two objects.

• New York is more exciting than Seattle.

Use the superlative form when speaking about three or more objects to show which object is 'the most' of something.

• New York is the most exciting city in the USA.

Quote of the Week

Nothing is so embarrassing as watching someone do something that you said couldn't be done.

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