

AROUND THE WORLD: FAMOUS QUOTES

TRAVEL CONVERSATION
SEMESTER 4, LESSON 003



TABLE TOPIC

Choose and discuss one of these interesting table topic questions in order to get warmed up for the lesson!

Table Topic:

Do you know of any famous quotes in English?

Hypothetical Table Topic:

Imagine you had one famous world-famous quote. What would that quote concern?



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IDIOMS

Read and practice these useful idioms. They're great to use with this topic.

a way with words - having a talent in the effective use of words

Steve sure a has **a way with words**. I love to listen to him speak.

the devil can quote scripture for his own purpose - using good sounding words for poor motives

She made the business plan sound good but **the devil can quote scripture for his own purpose**. I don't trust her.



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USEFUL WORDS

Read and practice the vocabulary below.

A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.

-Albert Einstein, Germany

Types of mistakes:

omission - something left out, not done.

My girlfriend said I didn't lie to you about meeting another guy. I just omitted the truth. It's not the same!

lapse - a slip or error, often of a small type; a temporary failure.

Sometimes when I drink too much I have a lapse in good judgment.

slight - to treat (someone) with indifference; to do something without care.

I don't like my boss, so I often slighted him and my work.

gaffe - a big social mistake, especially when speaking.

Donald Trump has made countless gaffes.



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GUIDED CONVERSATION

Use these questions as a guide for conversation.

What is your favorite quote?

How do you feel about fame? If you were famous, what would you like to be quoted on?

What are some of your home countries most famous quotes?

Do you ever **omit** the truth?

Have you ever had a **lapse** of judgment? Tell me more!

Do you know anyone that has a **way with words**?



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ACTIVITY

Use this activity to practice the vocabulary and idioms you have learned so far!

Quote interpretation:

Form into groups with your conversation partner(s) and choose a quote to interpret from the list below or of your own choosing.

The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing. -Socrates, Greece

If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman. -Margaret Thatcher, United Kingdom

This Earth is our only home. Together, we must protect and cherish it. -Ban Ki-moon, South Korea



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HOMWORK

Homework! Daily practice is essential for language learning.

1 MINUTE PRESENTATION/SPEECH

Research a quote you like. Give a 1-minute speech describing who said it and explaining the context and meaning of the quote (after the student is through, the teacher will quiz the other students about the speech so as to test their listening comprehension).



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