Lesson 01

Long time no see!

Learning Objectives:
After studying this lesson, you should be able to:

✔ greet old friends and acquaintances
✔ use the present continuous to discuss activities you are currently engaged in

Getting Started

A | Look at the picture and describe what you can see.

B | Read the questions below and discuss with your partner.

1. How do you feel when you see a long lost friend?
2. What are some things you might ask or do with a friend you haven’t seen for a long time?

Sally sells sea-shells by the sea-shore. If Sally sells sea-shells by the sea-shore, are you sure the sea-shells that Sally sells are sea-shells for sure?

Practice the tongue twister with your partner. Who can say it faster?
2 Vocatree

Look at the words given below, brainstorm the synonyms and antonyms for the words.

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2 Sentence Building

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks. Refer to the grammar note note on the right.

1. I’m __________________________ at a bank now.
2. She __________________________ taking a Japanese class.
3. __________________________ you still working at the bookstore?
4. What are __________________________ doing now?
5. Are you still __________________________ at the academy?
6. __________________________ your brother still living at home?
7. I’m __________________________ at a restaurant three days a week.
8. My sister __________________________ teaching at a public school.

Grammar Note

Present continuous

» Are you studying English now?
» I’m starting a new job next week.
» How is your brother doing?
» Are you going on vacation this summer?

» She’s attending graduate school now.
» I’m taking a break from work.
» I’m learning French now.
» I am living with my mother now.
Dialogue Practice

Matthew : Hey, Jenny! I haven’t seen you since graduation!

Jenny : I’ve been busy with graduate school. How is work going?

Matthew : I like my new job, but they’re transferring me to another office soon.

Jenny : Where are you going?

Matthew : I’m moving to Europe for a year.

Jenny : Europe? Really?

Matthew : I know… It’s so far away. I was worried that I wouldn’t see you before I left.

Jenny : Do you have time for coffee? We should catch up.

Comprehension Questions

1. Who is moving?

2. Why haven’t the two seen each other for a while? When was the last time they saw each other?

3. What might happen next?

Story Board

Look at the situation and complete the conversation.

Situation.01

I haven’t seen you since high school! How have things been?

Situation.02

It’s been forever! How is your new job going?
Comprehensive Listening

Listen to the dialogue and answer the questions.

A Circle True or False

- The two were co-workers. True | False
- Ryan changed jobs. True | False
- Megan and Ryan work in the same office. True | False
- Megan and Ryan will exchange numbers. True | False

B Read the following questions and write full sentence responses.

- When did the two last see each other?

- What does Megan think about her job?

- Where might Megan visit?

- What will John give Megan?

Speaking Patterns

Practice using the patterns below with a partner.

I haven't seen you since....
- I haven’t seen you since graduation.
- I haven’t seen you since December.
- I haven’t seen you since I changed jobs.

How is...going?
- How is your business going?
- How is graduate school going?
- How is work going?

I was worried that....
- I was worried that I lost your number.
- I was worried that I wouldn’t see you before I moved.
- I was worried that you had forgotten me.

Common Mistakes

What is correct?
Read the sentences and circle the correct answer. Check the explanations at the back of the book.

01 I will let you know until tomorrow. / I will let you know by tomorrow.

02 You need to finish dinner by seven. / You need to finish dinner until seven.

03 The children will play soccer until it becomes dark. / The children will play soccer by it becomes dark.
Situational Use
What are some things you might say in each situation?

At the hospital
In a coffee shop
At a wedding
On the bus
In a restaurant
At the grocery store

Seeing an old friend

Q: What other situations can you think of? Let's think and talk some more!

Fun Facts
Greeting Customs Around The World

Did you know?
- The British usually shake hands only when they meet for the first time. A kiss on the cheek is common in informal situations between men and women and also between women who know each other very well.
- The French shake hands with their friends and often kiss them on both cheeks, both upon meeting and leaving.
- In Japan, the common greeting for men and women as well is to bow when they greet someone.
- In Arab countries, close male friends or colleagues hug and kiss both cheeks. They shake hands with the right hand only. Contact between the opposite genders in public is considered obscene.
- Hungarians like to use the friendly greeting form of kissing each other on the cheeks. When men meet for the first time, the casual norm is a firm handshake.
- In Belgium, people kiss on one cheek when they meet, regardless of the gender or how well they know each other.
- In Russia, the typical greeting is a very firm handshake. Assume you’re trying to crush each other’s knuckles, all the while maintaining direct eye contact.
- In Armenia, by tradition, a woman needs to wait for the man to offer his hand for the handshake. Between good friends and family members, a kiss on the cheek and a light hug are also common.

Question
1. Which greeting do you find most uncommon or odd? Why?
2. How would you greet a new acquaintance? What about a close friend?
3. Describe the do’s and don’ts for greetings in your country.

Review and Sneak Peek

Calling

Sneak Peek
01. Have you ever had a pet? Would you like one?
02. What do pets need?