

Week 4 – Term 2 – Sept 2016 – Class Contents – **Intermediate** Class

Agenda

- 1. **LEARN**: “ə(r)” Pronunciation Technique
 - 2. **REVIEW**: Business Idioms – Set 1
 - 3. **CHECK**: Homework Assignment
 - 4. **LEARN**: Business Idioms – Set 1 – Part 2
 - 5. Homework Assignment
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Today’s PRONUNCIATION Point:

- “**ir**” pronunciation
- “**er**” pronunciation
- “**or**” pronunciation
- “**ur**” pronunciation
- “**ar**” pronunciation

“er” Pronunciation

Stressed	Unstressed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. service• 2. serve• 3. Term• 4. insert• 5. concern• 6. version	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. center• 2. receiver• 3. However• 4. answer• 5. after• 6. her

“or” Pronunciation

Stressed	Unstressed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. work• 2. working• 3. worst• 4. word• 5. worth	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. labor• 2. Trevor• 3. honor• 4. vendor• 5. color

“ir” Pronunciation

Stressed	Unstressed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. first• 2. bird• 3. third• 4. girl• 5. confirm• 6. shirt• 7. firmware	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. stir• 2. Fir• 3. repair• 4. sir• 5. fair• 6. pair

“ur” Pronunciation

Stressed	Unstressed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. Furthermore• 2. purpose• 3. surprise• 4. survive• 5. turn• 6. burn• 7. curve	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1. future• 2. feature• 3. venture• 4. furniture• 5. Fur• 6. amateur• 7. our / hour

“ar” Pronunciation

Stressed	Unstressed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1. calendar • 2. grammar • 3. solar • 4. similar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5. particular • 6. scholar • 7. circular • 8. popular

REVIEW: Business Idioms – Set 1

Idioms 1 - 3	
Business Idiom	Definition
1) In accordance with...	1) Following the terms, rules or requirements
2) As to... To.....	2) Regarding / about
3) has/have something to do with...	3) Related to / connected with

Business Idioms – Set 1 – Example Sentences

Idiom 1: **In accordance with...**

- 1) **In accordance with** our contract, we must finish by November 1st.
- 2) **In accordance with** our company, all employees must arrive at 9 am.
- 3) **In accordance with** the schedule, we need to finish by the end of October.

Idiom 2: **as to...**

- 1) **As to** your question, we plan to make 1000 units this year.
- 2) **As to** John's comment, we will contact you tomorrow.
- 3) **As to** the current situation, from my point of view, we need to make a new plan.

Idiom 2: **To...**

- 1) **To** your question, we plan to make 1000 units this year.
- 2) **To** John's comment, we will contact you tomorrow.
- 3) **To** the current situation, from my point of view, we need to make a new plan.

Idiom 3: **(has/have) something to do with**

1. Does your comment **have something to do with** our specifications?
2. In my opinion, the problem **has something to do with** the bugs.
3. The issue **has something to do with** our new software.

CHECKED: HOMEWORK

Directions:

Make two ORIGINAL sentences for each Business Idiom.

Idiom 1: **In accordance with...**

Idiom 2: **as to.../ To...**

Idiom 3: **(has/have) something to do with**

Total: 6 sentences

LEARN: Business Idioms – Set 1 – Part 2

Idioms 4 - 6	
Business Idiom	Definition
4) hand in hand	4) working together in a team
5) in conjunction with	5) working together
6) in connection with	6) concerning/ about / relating to.....

Example Sentences

Idiom 1: **hand in hand**

- 1) We will be working **hand in hand** with ABC Corporation.
- 2) In my opinion, we need to work **hand in hand** with our Chinese vendor.
- 3) Do you plan to work **hand in hand** with the sales department?

Idiom 2: **in conjunction with...**

- 1) For this project, we need to work **in conjunction with** the R & D Department.
- 2) The way I see it, if we work **in conjunction with** the new client, our business will be successful.
- 3) From my point of view, our plan to work **in conjunction with** ABC Company is a good idea.

Idiom 3: **in connection with....**

- 1) Our client called this morning **in connection with** the bugs in the software.
- 2) I would like to ask you a question **in connection with** the new project.
- 3) I'm calling **in connection with** our client's question.

HOMEWORK:

Directions:

Make THREE ORIGINAL sentences for each Business Idiom.

Total: 9 sentences

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