

# 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



## 1 Getting Started

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



*Tongue Twisters*

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

» 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?

**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?

## 2 Vocatree

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

Synonym

Antonym

The diagram shows a central brown circle with the word "Excited" inside. To the left, under the heading "Synonym", there are five horizontal dashed lines, each with a small circle at its end connected to a vertical line. To the right, under the heading "Antonym", there are five horizontal dashed lines, each with a small circle at its end connected to a vertical line.

Synonym

Antonym

The diagram shows a central green circle with the word "Busy" inside. To the left, under the heading "Synonym", there are five horizontal dashed lines, each with a small circle at its end connected to a vertical line. To the right, under the heading "Antonym", there are five horizontal dashed lines, each with a small circle at its end connected to a vertical line.

## 3 Sentence Building

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks.  
Refer to the grammar 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?
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- » **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.

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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?



5 Story Board

Look at the situation and complete the conversation.

Situation.01



Situation.02



## 6 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?  
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- What does Megan think about her job?  
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- Where might Megan visit?  
.....
- What will John give Megan?  
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## 7 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**

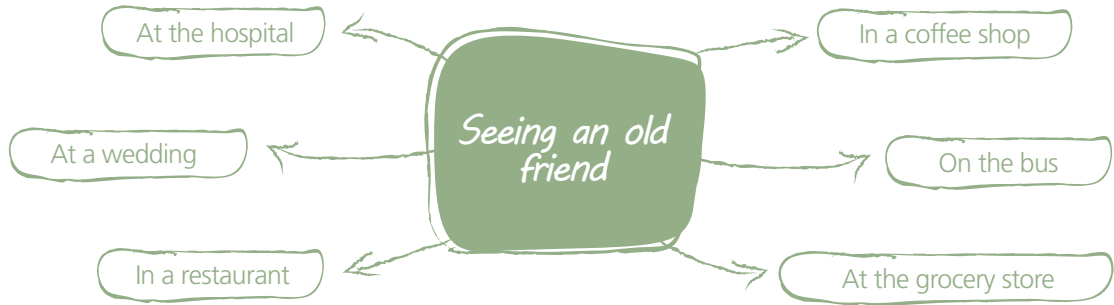
You need to finish dinner by seven. / You need to finish dinner until seven.

**03**

The children will play soccer until it becomes dark. / The children will play soccer by it becomes dark.

## 8 Situational Use

What are some things you might say in each situation?



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

## 9 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

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.....

#### Sneak Peek

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