

CBET in ACTION **Episode 4: “Educational Toys”**

BEFORE the VIDEO Questions

Think about or discuss these questions before watching the video:

1. Do you like toys? Why or why not?
2. What toy or toys did you enjoy as a child?
3. What toys are popular in your country?
4. What toys are popular in the U.S.?
5. Have you ever built a model toy? If so, describe it.

BEFORE the VIDEO Vocabulary List

Look up any words you don't know in a dictionary or ask your teacher.
Write the meaning. One is done as an example:

to create to make something

to decorate _____

educational _____

entertainment _____

to follow instructions _____

homemade _____

an item _____

a kite _____

negative _____

to put on (a play) _____

scissors _____

WITHIN the VIDEO

Answer the following questions:

1. What examples of toys did the adult students and Ms. Zamora bring in to the CBET class?

2. How can a parent turn making a kite into an educational experience?

3. Why is asking children questions a good idea?

4. Why are four basic direction words?

5. What car parts are mentioned on the video?

Fill in the blanks with the missing words from the conversation between Roberto and Daisy: [5 pts.]

6. Do you _____ what this is?

7. A _____.

8. Good. Can you tell me what is _____ this?

9. Um, I'm not _____.

10. Would you like to _____ in the picture dictionary?

11. The _____?

12. _____ right.

13. What _____ of car is this with no roof?

14. Um, _____ me see. A convertible?

15. Yes. Can you use the word "convertible" in a _____?

BEYOND the VIDEO

Answer the following question in complete sentences:

What can you teach using a doll (not on the video)? _____

BEYOND the VIDEO GRAMMAR

ADVERBIAL CLAUSES OF CONCESSION

Study the following adverbial clauses with *unless* and *although*. Note why a writer uses each one:

adverbs of concession	writer's purpose	example sentence
unless	to indicate negative condition	We'll fly the kite in the park unless it's raining.
although even though though	to indicate unexpected result	Although toys are for entertainment, they can be educational, too.

UNLESS

⇒ Note that the groups of sentences below have the same meaning. "Unless" is very similar to saying BUT NOT IF.

You can visit the CBET web site **unless** you **don't have** a computer. =
You can visit the CBET web site **but not if** you **don't have** a computer. =
You can visit the CBET web site **if** you **have** a computer. =

I'll help my daughter make a kite **unless** she **has** too much homework. =
I'll help my daughter make a kite **but not if** she **has** too much homework. =
I'll help my daughter make a kite **if** she **doesn't have** too much homework.

Rewrite these sentences using "unless." The first is done as an example:

1. We will go to the park to play an educational game but not if it's too cold.

We will go to the park to play an educational game unless it's too cold.

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2. You can turn toys into educational tools but not if you're not creative.

3. Children will enjoy learning English but not if it's not fun.

4. Isabela can use a picture dictionary but not if her mother doesn't have one at home.

5. He will play with his toys at home but not if he has to get ready for school.

ALTHOUGH/EVEN THOUGH/THOUGH

⇒ Note that these three adverb clauses have very similar meanings.

Even though Maria wasn't feeling well, she went to class.
Though Daisy didn't know the word for a car without a roof, she was able to look it up in a picture dictionary.
Although it takes more time, watching the video several times can improve your understanding.

Complete these sentences. The first is done as an example:

6. Although I'm busy, I want to go to Fulsom Lake this weekend . _____
7. Even though Maria told her daughter to close the book and go to sleep, _____
_____.
8. Even though I don't understand every word, _____
_____.
9. Though he drives slowly, _____
_____.
10. Although it's cloudy and windy today, _____.

GRAMMAR ANSWERS

2. You can turn toys into educational tools unless you're not creative.
3. Children will enjoy learning English unless it's not fun.
4. Isabela can use a picture dictionary unless her mother doesn't have one at home.
5. He will play with his toys at home unless he has to get ready for school.