Lesson Three Oral Practice

Exercise 1  A wants to introduce B a “good prospect”.

A  
1. Tell B that B has come at the right time. You want to introduce B to a “prospect”.

B  
1. B asks A what a “prospect” is.

2. Ask B how come B, at the age of 20, doesn’t even know the meaning of “prospect”. Tell B that a “prospect” is the friend you are in love with, and is the one you are going to marry.

2. Express your surprise. What? Marry? Tell A that you are still very young, and you don’t want to marry now.

3. Tell B that you don’t want B to marry right now, but sooner or later B will have to marry. Anyway, before B marries, B needs to find a “good” prospect.

3. Tell A that you don’t need any help from A in finding you a prospect. You already have….

4. Have a prospect ?

4. Tell A that s/he may say so.

5. What is “you may say so”? Have is have, haven’t is haven’t. Say that you know B might have found a prospect at school.

5. Tell A that you have a prospect. Your prospect is a schoolmate.

6. Tell B that you know in the States dating is not very serious for many youngsters. Dating and marriage are the big things in one’s life. How can you be informal?

6. Ask A how A knows you are not very serious about it. Tell A that you are very serious about both dating and marriage.

Exercise 2  Talking about B’s aunt.

A  
1. Heard that you went to Taipei last summer.

B  
1. Yes, I stayed there for a month.

2. Ask whose home B stayed at.

2. Respond that you stayed at your aunt’s.

3. Ask whether B got used to staying with her/his aunt.

3. I had a bit trouble getting used to her.

4. Ask B how come.

4. Respond that aunt loves to get involved in other people’s business.

5. Ask B to give you an example.

5. Respond that though aunt is so busy from morning till night doing things for her family she still loves to be busy for other people’s affairs.