



A. Vocabulary Study

Study the following words and expressions with your tutor.

Vocabulary	Meaning
compliments	praises; a polite expression of admiration
assuming	supposing with no proof
significant other	with whom someone has a romantic relationship
argument	an exchange of contradicting opinions
disregard	ignore; pay no attention

B. Reading Practice

Check the pronunciation, meaning and usage of the words with your tutor.

Advice on Maintaining a Romantic Relationship

1. Always Appreciate

Who doesn't want to be appreciated, right? The simple act of giving **compliments** will go a long way in developing your relationship. Make sure that your partner knows that you see his/her efforts, and you're thankful for it.

2. Know What You Want and Say It

Assuming that your partner already knows what you want might cause a misunderstanding. Expectations often lead to disappointments, especially if it was not verbally agreed on by the couple. It's best that you say what you want so your partner will know how to respond accordingly.

3. Give it Time

No matter how busy you get, never forget to allot time to spend with your **significant other**. It doesn't have to be an expensive date or anything grand, just spend time and make good memories together.

4. Listen to Understand (Not to Respond)

Listening means you hear and understand. Always aim to listen so you understand what the other is telling you. Don't just listen so you know what to talk back. This is common when a couple is having an **argument**. Remember that you are not in a debate, rather, the goal is for the two of you to understand each other's opinion.

5. Grow Individually and as a Couple

While it's important to grow together as a couple, growing individually shouldn't be **disregarded**. Some people prefer to be single because they're afraid they might lose their focus on their career or not have enough time for their hobbies. On the other hand, a healthy relationship is composed of two independent people who share the same goals in life.

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C. Sentence Construction Practice

Construct your own sentences using the words listed below.

A. compliments

A 1. _____
A 2. _____

B. assuming

B 1. _____
B 2. _____

C. significant Other

C 1. _____
C 2. _____

D. argument

D 1. _____
D 2. _____

E. disregard

E 1. _____
E 2. _____

D. Comprehension Questions

Answer the following questions based on the article.

1 What is a simple act to show appreciation?

A simple act to show appreciation is...

2 What is the best way to avoid disappointments in a relationship?

The best way to to avoid disappointments in a relationship is...

3 What should you not forget despite your busy schedule?

Despite my busy schedule, I should not forget to...

4 What does listening mean?

Listening means...

5 Why do some people prefer to stay single?

Some people prefer to stay single because...

E. Discussion Questions

Answer the following questions based on your opinion.

1 Which advice do you think is the most effective?

The most effective advice is...

2 What advice can you add above?

Another advice I can add is...

3 Describe your ideal partner.

My ideal partner is...