



ENGSKYPE Lessons

Reading + Speaking lesson

Topic: *Fight Club*

*The first rule of Fight Club is:
You do not talk about Fight Club.*

1) Warm-up

- 1) Who is the author of Fight Club book? Have you read any of his books?
- 2) Who are the main characters of the book?
- 3) What are the main topics covered in the movie?
- 4) Why was Fight Club called one of the most controversial films of the 1990s?



Pre-reading tasks

2) Read and discuss the following quotations. Do you agree or disagree? Why?

“You are not your job, you're not how much money you have in the bank. You are not the car you drive. You're not the contents of your wallet. You are not your fucking khakis. You are all singing, all dancing crap of the world.”

“The things you used to own, now they own you.”

“We've all been raised on television to believe that one day we'd all be millionaires, and movie gods, and rock stars. But we won't. And we're slowly learning that fact. And we're very, very pissed off.”

3) Key words: fill the gaps in the sentences using the words from the article

Insomnia, assignment, to hit, dining set

- a) _____ is a set of dining furniture
- b) _____ is a task to be accomplished
- c) _____ is inability to sleep at night
- d) To _____ is to beat someone, to cause harm

Watching

4) Watch the trailer with the subtitles:

Fight Club trailer



<http://amara.org/ru/videos/hhUvEuSbx4Dq/info/fight-club-trailer-hd-english-subtitles/>

Transcript:

I want you to hit me as hard as you can.

Why?

How much can you know yourself if you've never been in a fight?

Wait. Let me start earlier. Like many of you, I was stuck.

No you can't die from insomnia. I flipped through catalogs and wondered what kind of dining set defines me as a person?

This is your life and it's ending one minute at the time. Welcome! I prayed for different life.

Soap. I make and I sell soap. And this is how I met Tyler Durden.

Come on! Hit me before I lose my nerve. Oww! You hit me in the ear! It was on the tip of everyone's tongue. Can I be next? We just gave it a name. Gentlemen! Welcome to Fight Club. The first rule of Fight Club is you do not talk about Fight Club. After the

Fight Club, we all started seeing things differently...

You're gonna have to keep me up all night. And...she ruined everything. You're not into her are you? No! God! Not at all.

We've all been raised on television to believe that one day we would all be movie gods and rock stars. But we won't. He had a plan. (shout)

To what purpose in Tyler we trusted. I got to take Fight Club up a notch.

Each one of you has a homework assignment. You are going to start a fight with a total stranger.

That's not necessary. You're going to lose.

That hurt.[music]

You were looking for a way to change your life. You got it. I'm stopping this. It's already done, so shut up! What kind of sick game are you playing? Oh, my God! (music) This is too much! In the end you will thank me. Woah! Woah! (music)

5) **Comprehension check** (based on the movie Fight Club, but not one the trailer!)

- a) Where did the main character work?
- b) How did he deal with his insomnia?
- c) What relation did he have with Marla?
- d) Why did the main character shoot himself at the end of the movie?

6) **Find in the article and explain the meaning of the following words and expressions:**

To be stuck

To lose one's nerve

On the tip of the tongue

To flip through

Post reading activities

7) Read the facts about the movie and define true and false ones

1. Tyler Durden flashes on screen four times before we actually meet him as a character.
2. Before shooting, Brad Pitt and Edward Norton actually took boxing and soap-making classes.
3. Brad Pitt actually went to a dentist to have his front tooth chipped for the role.
4. During this scene, when a Fight Club member sprays a priest, the camera shakes slightly because the cameraman couldn't keep from laughing.



Keys:

3)

- a) Dining set
- b) Assignment
- c) Insomnia
- d) To hit

5)

- a) He was a traveling automobile company employee
- b) He becomes addicted to participating in support groups of various kind
- c) At first, he dislikes her and negotiates with her to avoid their attending the same groups
- d) To get rid of Tyler

6)

To be stuck – to be held in a position so that you cannot move

To lose one's nerve – to become frightened, lose courage

On the tip of the tongue - unable to be recalled

To flip through – to go quickly through the book

7) All facts are true



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