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Finn and Alice will teach you about chunks of language. Listen and try to complete the different activities.

WHILE LISTENING

1.- Draw lines to complete the sentences.

Chunks of language are	a student from Germany.
Kirsten is	her typical college day.
Kirsten studies	groups of words that naturally go together.
Kirsten is talking about	in London

2.- This is what Kirsten says, but certain chunks she uses are incorrect. CLICK on the wrong word.

My typical morning? Well, I never go out on **an unfilled stomach**, so before class, I usually **have a complete English breakfast** – I love it. Getting to class can **take a big time** because it is **the rush period**. But when I get to class it is **a lot of enjoyment** because my classmates come from **all over the earth**. Anyway, I must go into class right now, but I'll be **back in a period**.

3.- Now listen to Finn and Alice and drag the correct words to complete each chunk.

world long empty bit/minute hour full fun

My typical morning? Well, I never go out on **an** _____ **stomach**, so before class, I usually **have a** _____ **English breakfast** – I love it. Getting to class can **take a** _____ **time** because it is **the rush** _____. But when I get to class it is **a lot of** _____ because my classmates come from **all over the** _____. Anyway, I must go into class right now, but I'll be **back in a** _____.

TIP

Can you put the words in the right order to complete this tip?

try picking up Instead of learning lists of vocabulary that you hear people using.
word by word, natural chunks of language

BASIC

QUIZ

Finish the sentence with the correct chunk.

1.- I want to learn Chinese, but I think it will...

- a) have a long time
- b) take a great age
- c) take a long time.

2.- People are learning English...

- a) all over the world
- b) around the earth
- c) throughout the planet.

AFTER LISTENING

Listen to the chunks and complete them with the missing words.

-  to do something on _____
-  a _____ breakfast
-  to _____ time
-  the _____ hour
-  a lot of _____
-  _____ the world
-  (I'll be) back _____

Now match them to their definitions

to take a long time

I'll be back in a bit

a full English breakfast

the rush hour

to do something on an empty stomach

a lot of fun

all over the world

a cooked breakfast, usually with bacon, sausage, eggs, mushrooms, beans, tomatoes, toast and tea

everywhere around the earth

very enjoyable

(I'll) return soon

the period of time in the morning and evening when the traffic is very busy with people going to and from work

to do something without eating first

to happen slowly

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