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## ASL 104: Lesson 9

## A few more words about Signing: Learning the Signs

**MULTIPLE CHOICE.** Select the best answer for each statement or question below.

- 1) To sign FASCINATING, the fingers of one hand close in a \_\_\_\_\_ as the hand pulls outward.
  - a) fist
  - b) wiggling motion
  - c) B-handshape
  - d) upward motion
  
- 2) When signing FASCINATING, what does the movement represent? Something has \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) beauty
  - b) you wondering
  - c) no sign for it
  - d) a person's attention
  
- 3) Which TWO English words are also signed using FASCINATING?
  - a) WONDER
  - b) ATTRACTIVE
  - c) AWESOME
  - d) GOOD
  - e) FASCINATE
  - f) INCREDIBLE
  
- 4) To sign NOTICED, the forefinger points to the eye and then to the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) forehead
  - b) palm
  - c) shoulder
  - d) ear
  
- 5) When signing NOTICED, what does the movement indicate? That something has \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) been spotted
  - b) been seen
  - c) appeal
  - d) your attention
  
- 6) All but one of the following can be signed using NOTICED. Which one is incorrect?
  - a) RECOGNIZE
  - b) NOTE
  - c) AWARE
  - d) NOTICE
  
- 7) To sign SKILLS, one hand grabs the edge of the other hand and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) pushes away
  - b) taps it
  - c) pulls away
  - d) moves in a circle
  
- 8) All but one of the following can be signed using SKILLS. Which one is incorrect?
  - a) ABLE
  - b) CAPABLE
  - c) HANDY
  - d) MECHANIC
  - e) PROFICIENT
  - f) EXPERTISE

9) All but one of the following can be signed using SKILLS. Which one is incorrect?

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| a) ENABLE | b) TALENT | c) ADEPT     |
| d) AGILE  | e) CLUMSY | f) EFFICIENT |

10) Which handshapes are used to sign AWKWARD?

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| a) A | b) 3 |
| c) Y | d) S |

11) What do the handshapes for AWKWARD represent?

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| a) a person counting | b) the number 3     |
| c) a chicken's feet  | d) a person walking |

12) The movement of the hands for AWKWARD indicate \_\_\_\_\_.

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| a) drinking too much    | b) a disability          |
| c) ungraceful movements | d) a disease of the legs |

13) Which of the following English words is also signed using AWKWARD?

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| a) CLUMSY   | b) DRUNK |
| c) CRIPPLED | d) WEIRD |

14) To sign FLUENT, the thumbs rub across the fingertips in a smooth fashion as both hands \_\_\_\_\_.

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| a) move upward      | b) move side to side |
| c) move in a circle | d) move forward      |

15) Which of the following English words is also signed using FLUENT?

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| a) ACCURATE  | b) CORRECT |
| c) BILINGUAL | d) SMOOTH  |

16) Which handshape is used to sign SOON?

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| a) S | b) F |
| c) Y | d) A |

17) To sign SOON, the thumb and index finger of the handshape \_\_\_\_\_.

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| a) flicks the nose   | b) pats the forehead |
| c) rubs the shoulder | d) taps the chin     |

- 18) To sign INSPIRE, the fingers \_\_\_\_\_ across the chest.
- a) tap up
  - b) flick outward and
  - c) spread up
  - d) swipe down and

- 19) Which of the following English words is also signed using INSPIRE?
- a) INSPIRED
  - b) ENJOY
  - c) MOTIVATE
  - d) PERSUADE

- 20) Signing is so fascinating. ==> SIGNING FASCINATING. What type of sentence is this?
- a) conditional
  - b) simple
  - c) topic-comment
  - d) rhetorical question

- 21) Signing is so fascinating. ==> SIGNING FASCINATING.

How could you express different feelings while signing this sentence? Change your body language and your \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) order of signing
- b) signing hand
- c) facial expressions
- d) signing location

- 22) I learn a new thing about signing each day. ==> EACH DAY, I LEARN NEW THING ABOUT SIGNING.

Some people might prefer to sign EVERYDAY instead of EACH DAY. Why is this?  
Like spoken languages, there are many ways to get the \_\_\_\_\_ across in ASL.

- a) meaning
- b) grammar
- c) word order
- d) they're lazy

- 23) I noticed that your signing skills improve every week. ==>  
I NOTICED, EVERY-WEEK YOUR SIGNING SKILLS IMPROVE.

The order of the ASL signs parallels the \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) grammar of English
- b) topic-comment structure
- c) spoken English
- d) order of the English words

- 24) Deaf people signing looks so fluent. ==> DEAF PEOPLE SIGN, LOOKS FLUENT.

Which sentence structure is used to set up this sentence?

- a) rhetorical
- b) conditional
- c) topic-comment
- d) yes/no question

25) Deaf people signing looks so fluent. ==> DEAF PEOPLE SIGN, LOOKS FLUENT.

How do you pause after signing the topic of the sentence? You pause by \_\_\_\_\_ of the topic which is SIGN.

- a) raising your eyebrows
- b) leaning forward
- c) sticking out your tongue
- d) holding onto the last sign

26) That will be the same as you soon. ==> SOON 2, YOU SAME.

By putting SOON at the beginning of the sentence, the signer does what?

- a) use correct expressions
- b) emphasize the sign SAME
- c) sign quickly
- d) not have to sign THAT

27) You inspire me. I feel better now.==> YOU INSPIRE. NOW I FEEL BETTER.

Why does a signer NOT have to sign ME to get YOU INSPIRE ME.

The \_\_\_\_\_ makes it obvious that she is the one being inspired.

- a) way she signs
- b) context of the conversation
- c) facial expression
- d) grammar structure

28) You inspire me. I feel better now. ==> YOU INSPIRE. NOW I FEEL BETTER.

It's common to sign INSPIRE with a lot of expression. What should you do when your hands move up your chest?

You should \_\_\_\_\_ while taking in a breath of air.

- a) sighing loudly
- b) raising your eyebrows
- c) lean forward
- d) straighten your back

29) You inspire me. I feel better now. ==> YOU INSPIRE. NOW I FEEL BETTER.

What should you do when signing NOW in this sentence?

- a) raise your eyebrows
- b) hold the sign longer
- c) lean forward
- d) relax

30) To sign MONTH, the middle of one index finger is \_\_\_\_\_ the other index finger that is pointing up.

- a) moved up
- b) circled around
- c) moved down
- d) moved back and forth

- 31) When signing MONTH, you should imagine a page on a calendar showing one month.  
What does the upright index finger represent in this sign?
- a) the columns on this calendar page
  - b) the weeks on this calendar page
  - c) the rows on this calendar page
  - d) the days in a week
- 32) When signing MONTH, you should imagine a page on a calendar showing one month.  
What does the horizontal finger represent?
- a) the days of the week
  - b) the rows on this calendar
  - c) the columns on this calendar
  - d) the months of the year
- 33) Which handshape circles the other when signing YEAR?
- a) Y
  - b) A
  - c) S
  - d) B
- 34) What does the movement for YEAR represent? The Earth \_\_\_\_\_ once in one year.
- a) rotating on its axis
  - b) circling the Sun
  - c) and moon circling
  - d) revolving
- 35) Which sign is repeated to sign MONTHLY?
- a) DAY
  - b) WEEK
  - c) YEAR
  - d) MONTH
- 36) Which sign is repeated to sign YEARLY?
- a) YEAR
  - b) MONTHLY
  - c) WEEKLY
  - d) NEXT-YEAR
- 37) Which TWO of the following English words are also signed using YEARLY?
- a) MONTHLY
  - b) WEEKLY
  - c) ANNUAL
  - d) ANNUALLY
  - e) YEAR
  - f) DAILY
- 38) To sign DEPRESSED, the fingers \_\_\_\_\_ as the hand moves down the chest.
- a) spread
  - b) tap
  - c) entwine
  - d) wiggle
- 39) Which handshape moves from in front of the face to the palm of the other hand to sign PICTURE?
- a) P
  - b) C
  - c) A
  - d) Y

40) What does the movement for PICTURE represent? The image of a face is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) placed on paper
- b) beautiful
- c) irreplaceable
- d) copied

41) Which TWO of the following English words are signed using PICTURE?

- a) MOVIE
- b) CAMERA
- c) X-RAY
- d) PHOTO
- e) PASSPORT
- f) PHOTOGRAPHY

42) To sign CONFIDENT, both hands are open and held one in front of the other; they move downward and close to which handshapes?

- a) A
- b) Y
- c) S
- d) C

SHORT ANSWER. Answer each question in the blanks provided [point values in brackets].

43) Name TWO ways, in the past, Deaf persons were able to wake-up or hear the doorbell [4 points]

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44) How were Deaf people able to wake up in time when staying at a hotel? [2 point]

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REVIEW QUESTIONS. Questions and answers can come from any previous lesson. [point values in brackets]

45) Name any THREE signs that use the handshape C [2 points each/6 points total]

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46) Name any THREE signs that use the handshape A [2 points each/6 points total]

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