

Possessions

Vocabulary:

обладать правом — have / possess the right

обладать хорошим здоровьем — enjoy good health

обладать талантом — have / possess a talent

обладать даром (рд.) — have / possess a gift (for)

обладать женщиной — possess a woman

to possess oneself / one's soul / one's mind — владеть собою, сохранять хладнокровие

иметь страсть к чему-л — be crazy on / about smth

проникаться страстью к кому-л — love smb passionately

to stir up / arouse / excite / inflame passion — пробуждать, вселять страсть

to curb / restrain one's passion — обуздывать, сдерживать свою страсть

to gratify / satisfy one's passion — удовлетворять свою страсть

animal / frenzied / wild passion — животная / бешеная / дикая страсть

deep passion — глубокая страсть

passions run high — страсти накаляются

His eyes blazed with passion. — Его глаза горели страстью.

to come up to / to meet expectation — отвечать ожиданиям

to exceed / surpass expectation — превосходить ожидания

beyond expectation — сверх ожидания

against all expectations - вопреки ожиданиям

breathless expectation - лихорадочное ожидание

pending (d)- в ожидании (рд.)

pending his return - в ожидании его возвращения

disappoint smb - обмануть чьи-л ожидания

Questions:

What's your most valued possession?

Can you remember the last gift you were given? Did you like it?

Do you ever buy 'gifts' for yourself?

What's the most expensive thing you've ever bought?

What do you think of this saying, "Possessions rot, rust, and decay but compassion lasts forever"?

Have you ever given away something by accident? What was it? How did you give it away by accident?

Have you ever met an 'indian giver' (someone who gives something to another person, but later demands it back)?





What is the meaning of "give and take"? What does this mean to you?

Do you spend more money on temporary things (services/food/drink/a good night out) or on physical objects (a car, a cellphone, some good books)?

Sayings:

- 1 The wise man carries his possessions within him. Bias
- 2 The English, a spirited nation, claim the empire of the sea; the French, a calmer nation, claim that of the air. Louis XVIII
- 3 Aspiration sees only one side of every question; possession, many. James Russell Lowell
- 4 Possession is eleven points in the law. Colley Cibber
- 5 To have little is to possess. To have plenty is to be perplexed. Lao-tzu
- 6 Desire makes everything blossom; possession makes everything wither and fade. Marcel Proust

The Gift Of Love (There is no possession anyone can hold)

The story goes that some time ago a man punished his 3-year old daughter for wasting a roll of gold wrapping paper. Money was tight and he became angry when the child tried to decorate a box to put under the Christmas tree.

Nevertheless, the little girl brought the gift to her father the next morning and said, "This is for you, Daddy." He was embarrassed by his earlier over reaction, but his anger flared again when he found that the box was empty. He yelled at her, "Don't you know when you give someone a present, there's supposed to be something inside it?"

The little girl looked up at him with tears in her eyes and said, "Oh, Daddy, it's not empty, I blew kisses into the box. All for you, Daddy." The father was crushed. He put his arms around his little girl, and he begged for her forgiveness.

An accident took the life of the child only a short time later and it is told that the man kept that gold box by his bed for many years and whenever he was discouraged, he would take out an imaginary kiss and remember the love of the child who had put it there.

In a very real sense, each of us as humans, have been given a gold container filled with unconditional love and kisses from our children, friends, family.

Nobody's love for us is less, our expectations are more!