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 Studio Classroom
 Let's Talk in English
 Saturday, 9:00 am- 11:30 am
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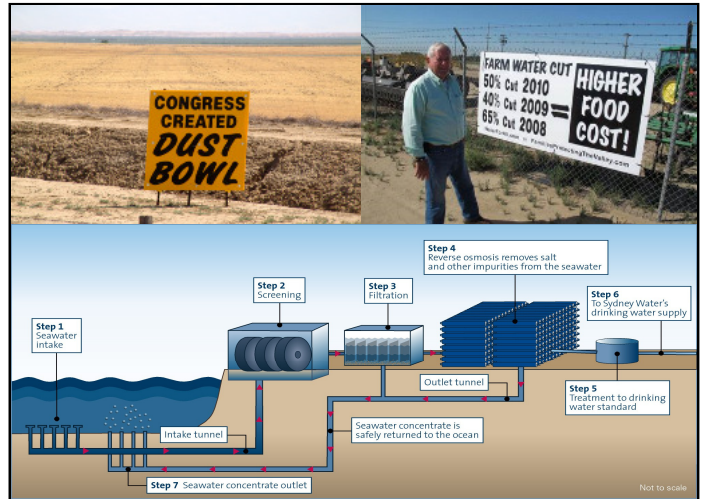


Covina Bethel English Class Newsweek

Upcoming Events:

Sept 26 – Musical Witness 7:00-9:00pm

We have a problem in California. The state is presently in a drought and we do not know when it will end. Is a drought normal in California? Has it happened before? The answer is that droughts do occur and, not counting our present drought, we have had three in the last century. In 1928-1935 California had a very prolonged drought. This drought was the 'dust bowl' drought. By 1934 farmers and ranchers were in lots of trouble. Fruit was falling off of trees before it was ripe. Ranchers were losing their livestock because they did not have enough water to grow feed or even for their livestock to drink! Because of this drought the state of California began massive waterworks and reservoir projects to give Californians a more reliable water supply. The next one was in 1976-1977. Although this was a much shorter drought, it still hit farmers and ranchers hard. Farmers switched to crops that required less water and pumped much more from their wells. The effects on the water system proved to the state that they still did not have a perfect solution to the problem of drought. Because of this drought the state began even more water conservation efforts. Southern California cut its water use by 15%. The next drought was in 1987-1993. State officials imposed mandatory water conservation measures for the first time since the previous drought. Forests were severely damaged by insects because of the lack of water. Farmers were estimated to lose \$250 million a year. Fisheries blamed the drought for the near loss of all salmon in the state. It was a bad drought. Since that time California has imposed even more water conservation measure both voluntary and mandatory. Many farmers have been really mad at Sacramento for the restrictions on their water availability and use. See the signs suggesting that the government is responsible for a new 'dust bowl' by their water policies towards farmers. The present drought is in its fourth year, yet California started restricting water to farmers seven years ago. It was a political move and not drought related, but probably saved farmers from worse losses because they could plan for it and try new and better water conservation measures. Scientists really don't know when the drought will end or when the next one will come. But there will be more droughts. What can be done? Besides more water conservation methods, perhaps other sources of water that can be used for drinking and farming can be developed. California has a long coast. Desalination (making fresh water from salt water) is a possible answer, but water from that source is very expensive - over twice as expensive as regular water. I guess we will find out. In the meantime, conserve water!



¹ I lift up my eyes to the mountains— where does my help come from? ² My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 121:1-2

¹我要向山舉目；我的幫助從何而來？²我的幫助從造天地的耶和華而來。詩篇 121:1-2

Sept 12 Let's Talk English Puzzle

B X W C E G A U S P A N I S H N
P E A D E F E N S E L T E R G F
A C T M A C H I N E L N E N W B
D N O W L F E V Y E O K I E L D
S I K R E N G E B H R T H U N C
H T C L R E K R P A E P F A I N
E S A T E E N S M E E E T S R E
A C H I I E C I M N S S U E N B
V G O A R O T T X U R M W O K O
Y L B A R S N Y L E Q A G C S D
X U N O T E P A D Y R S A T O Y
Y E U Z W E K N R D R T T R N S
E L S E W T U P L Y T E H A G P
O R G A N I Z E D A A R E I R T
A Y A D O W N L O A D D V N C T
T E S T B O O K C A S E D Z T K

Find these hidden words in the above puzzle:

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|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1. add | 14. drawer | 27. organized |
| 2. ankle | 15. else | 28. phone |
| 3. attack | 16. glue | 29. share |
| 4. belt | 17. gone | 30. song |
| 5. between | 18. heavy | 31. spanish |
| 6. body | 19. key | 32. stairs |
| 7. bookcase | 20. machine | 33. start |
| 8. bow | 21. marker | 34. textbook |
| 9. coat | 22. master | 35. thick |
| 10. correctly | 23. meeting | 36. train |
| 11. defense | 24. music | 37. understand |
| 12. dictionary | 25. nephew | 38. university |
| 13. download | 26. notepad | 39. useful |
| 10. flashlight | 20. receive | 30. wild |

Sept 12 Studio Classroom Puzzle

D N O P S E R K P T W I L I G H T S
A B S O R B R P C R P E A C O C K Q
S U G G E S T U R A O U R A U K G S
I L L U M I N A T E R F R I U N M E
E F I W E S U O H C L T I R I Q R N
D R E M A R K A B L E D D T E J A S
E T A R T N E C N O C T A N I T W I
S A H W C K W Q O H W N I B U X N T
S S A S S O C I A T I O N H C O E I
E A E V I D M N P C R T R I C Z S V
N D Z L K L D M S E E E T K I R O E
T V K A D I P A I L R S S R S A A R
I I U C C R F M L S E F O E H H H E
A C O R R C A I O J S M O E A K O T
L E A Z I W M G A C E I A R K R I P
H F B N D W R M E M C R O E M Z C A
T E T A G I V A N R T A A N B E O H
Y L E T A R O B A L E A P P J G R C

Find these hidden words in the above puzzle:

1. absorb
2. accomplish
3. advice
4. app
5. architecture
6. association
7. chapter
8. commission
9. concentrate
10. elaborately
11. essential
12. fascinating
13. handicraft
14. heart
15. housewife
16. illuminate
17. interrupt
18. majestic
19. memorize
20. millet
21. navigate
22. peacock
23. performer
24. profit
25. regardless
26. remarkable
27. research
28. respond
29. sensitive
30. soundtrack
31. suggest
32. twilight
33. warm
34. workshop