International Bible Study Commentary
Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible
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# International Bible Lessons
# Teaching English as a Foreign Language
## Ready-to-Teach Lesson: Called to Be Holy
### Leviticus 20:26; 1 Peter 1:13-21 (English Standard Version)

**When Preparation Time Is Short**

This lesson has been selected from the complete Teacher Lesson and is ready to use. Begin with the two warm-up questions, read or play Leviticus 20:26 and 1 Peter 1:13-21, and continue through the activities in order. The writing task may be assigned as homework.

Teacher Awareness: Explain holy as set apart for God and reflecting His goodness. Explain the lamb image as sacrificial language describing Christ's purity and costly redemption. Use age-appropriate language when discussing blood and sacrifice.

## 1) Warm-Up Questions

1. How can people prepare their minds before an important task?

2. Why is it important to treat people fairly?

## 2) Vocabulary

| Word or Phrase | Meaning | Teacher Prompt |
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| holy | Set apart for God and reflecting His goodness. | Why should God's people be holy? (Lev. 20:26) |
| obedient | Willing to follow instructions or commands. | What kind of children should believers be? (1 Pet. 1:14) |
| conduct | The way a person behaves. | In what part of their conduct should believers be holy? (v. 15) |
| ransomed | Freed by the payment of a price. | From what ways were believers ransomed? (v. 18) |

## 3) Bible Text Comprehension

1. Why does the LORD say His people should be holy? (Lev. 20:26)
2. On what should believers set their hope fully? (1 Pet. 1:13)
3. With what were they ransomed, rather than silver or gold? (vv. 18-19)
4. What did God do for Christ so that believers' faith and hope are in God? (v. 21)

## 4) Scripture Discussion

1. How does belonging to God help explain the call to be holy?
2. Why is the contrast between silver or gold and Christ's blood important?

## 5) Speaking Practice

1. Summarize Leviticus 20:26 and 1 Peter 1:13-21 in your own words.
2. Describe three commands Peter gives believers in verses 13-17.

### Language Coaching Tip

Invite complete sentences and correct gently. Model a reason with because: 'God calls His people to be holy because He is holy.' Model purpose with so that: 'God raised Christ and gave Him glory so that our faith and hope are in God.'

## 6) Writing Task

### Writing

Summarize Leviticus 20:26 and 1 Peter 1:13-21 in 6-8 sentences. Complete this in class or as homework.

## 7) Wrap-Up

### Wrap Up

God calls His people to be holy because He is holy and they belong to Him. Peter urges believers to prepare their minds, set their hope on grace, and live as obedient children. They were ransomed by the precious blood of Christ. God raised Christ from the dead so that their faith and hope are in God.

Remember: God calls His people to reflect His holiness in their conduct and place their faith and hope in Him through Jesus Christ.

Final Question: How can belonging to God and trusting in Christ shape the way a person lives each day?