Apr 9 2021~ Using American Slang, #1 (Set 2, Lesson 2)

Slang terms with an "H"

<u>American Slang:</u> [sth = something; sb = somebody]

- 1. <u>Hang in there!</u> = Don't give up! *He's upset about his GRE score, but he needs to <u>hang in there</u> and try again.*
- 2. <u>a hassle</u> = a small but irritating problem *I had to go back to that store three times today.* <u>What</u> *a hassle!*
- 3. <u>hassle sb</u> = nag sb; irritate sb; annoy sb **Don't** <u>hassle</u> her about her weight!
 - ** #2 and #3 are about small irritating problems. #4 and #5 are about big problems.
- 4. <u>have your fill of sth or sb</u> = have more than you can endure of sth or sb *l've* <u>had my fill of</u> his constant criticism!
- 5. <u>I've had it</u> = I can't put up with sth or sb anymore <u>I've had it</u> (with their all-night parties)! I'm calling the police!
- 6. <u>hate sth or sb with a passion</u> = deeply/extremely hate sth or sb **He <u>hates</u> housework <u>with a passion.</u>**
- 7. <u>be/get high</u> = be/get intoxicated on drugs or alcohol **He said he drank only one beer, but he was** really <u>high</u>.
- 8. <u>a hit</u> = a success; very popular "Star Wars" was <u>a big hit</u> in America. Joe's vacation plans were <u>a hit</u> with his family.
- 9. <u>hit on sb</u> = try to seduce sb; put the moves on sb **Bob was hitting on Jane last night.**
- 10. <u>hit the road</u> = leave; get going **We've gotta <u>hit the road</u>**, **or we'll be late.** (= We need to <u>get going</u> soon.)
- 11. <u>hit the sack</u> (males say this) = go to bed *I'm beat (= extremely tired), so I need to <u>hit the sack</u> now.*
- 12. <u>be hung up on sb or sth</u> = be obsessed with sb or sth <u>She's</u> really <u>hung up on</u> her <u>looks</u> (= physical appearance).

Questions: (Use the underlined phrase when you answer a question, to make sure you can use it correctly.)

- 1. Share about one time when you felt like quitting, but you <u>hung in there</u> anyway. Also, share the final result after you decided to <u>hang in there</u>.
- 2. What is one <u>hassle</u> (irritating problem) in your life that you often have to face? How do you deal with that hassle?
- 3. Share about one situation in the past that <u>you had your fill of</u>. In other words, <u>you'd had it</u> (= you had had it) with that situation. What did you do after you had your fill of it, and what was the final result?
- 4. When people get high, how does that usually affect their attitude, their behavior, and what they say?
- 5. In your opinion, what factors make a movie <u>a hit</u>? Also, what's <u>your favorite movie</u> in the past 1-2 years? Why?
- 6. What time do you usually hit the sack every night? Is it easy or hard for you to fall asleep?
- 7. Do you know anybody who is hung up on something that isn't good for that person? If so, explain the situation.