



English Corner Presents **Retirement**

One of the signs of prosperity is when elders have their material needs taken care of in retirement, either through the fruits of their previous work, or the support of their family and community. Today, let's use English to learn from each other about retirement.

1. Describe a family member or friend who is retired. How do they spend their time?
2. What parts of your current or former jobs might you miss in retirement?
3. Discuss the following statement:

We must fully integrate those who are retired and aging into our communities. The community should be an extended family in which everyone, of any age, is an essential part, and not only allowed, but encouraged, to make the fullest possible contribution to the wellbeing of the whole.

4. What should we do to prepare for our retirement?
5. What are some activities that are valuable to a community that do not typically make money or earn a wage?
6. Our community has many people who have retired. What opportunities do they have? What obstacles do they face?
7. Explore the meaning of the words below, then make sentences with them:

Savings
Harvest

Pension
Reflect

Clarity
Surrender

Rest
Escape

8. Now that we have reflected together about retirement, do we plan do anything differently? Who else can we have conversations with about retirement?