



Simi Valley Toastmasters #3533

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Thursday, January 8, 2015

Theme: **“Resolution”**

Simi Valley Toastmasters started the year out incredibly well with our first meeting of the year!

We had one speaker and evaluator, but the two did an awesome job. Joy Gaylord, with her speech and Alan Mann, with one of his best evaluations.

Kamalika - our General Evaluator did a very well done and professional job as did our Toastmaster, Tracy. Her agenda she made was beautiful and everyone else did excellent with their roles too! Thank you David for stepping up out of your comfort zone and trying the Grammarian role. Excellent job by all!



Our **BEST TABLE TOPICS** person was **Kamalika Roy**

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...Always remember that you could win the next ribbon!

Step 1: Come to meeting

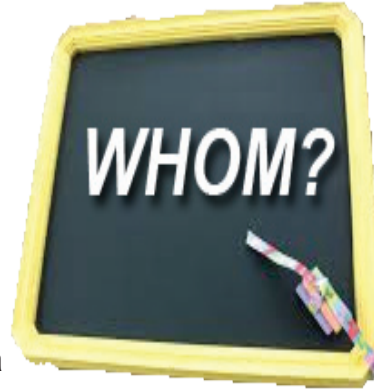
Step 2: Participate & Practice

Step 3: That ribbon could be yours

<http://blog.dictionary.com/whom/>

Grammarian trivia

Word Fact: When Do You Use Whom?



Over the last 200 years, the pronoun whom has been on a steady decline. Despite its waning use in speech and ongoing speculation about its imminent extinction, whom still holds a spot in the English language,

particularly in formal writing. Understanding when and how to use this embattled pronoun can set your writing apart.

Whom is often confused with who. What's the difference between these two pronouns? Who is a subjective-case pronoun, meaning it functions as a subject in a sentence, and whom is an objective-case pronoun, meaning it functions as an object in a sentence. Who, like I, he, she, and they, performs actions, as in Who rescued the dog? (who is doing the rescuing in this sentence). Whom, like me, him, her, and them, is acted on, as in Whom did you see? (whom is being seen here, not doing the seeing). Whom can also be object of a preposition, as in the salutation To Whom it may concern (whom is the object of to; Does it concern he? No. Does it concern him? Yes.) or in the title of Ernest Hemingway's 1940 novel For Whom the Bell Tolls.

How do you decide which one to use? When in doubt, substitute him and see if that sounds right. If him is OK, then whom is OK. If the more natural substitute is he, then go with who. For example: You talked to whom? It would be incorrect to say You talked to he? but saying You talked to him? makes grammatical sense.

Our next meeting is: Thursday, January 15, 2015

the theme is: **“Phone Calls”**

Mission Statement

Simi Valley Toastmasters provides a supportive and positive learning experience in which members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth.

Meeting date:
Every Thursday

7:15PM



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That said, in informal speech and writing, speakers will often opt for who where whom has traditionally been used. This choice sounds more natural and less formal to most native English speakers.

Do you ever use whom?

Thank you Tracy, Alan CathyA, Kamalika, David and Joy for ALL that you do in helping keep Simi Valley Toastmasters the top club that we are!



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