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## THE WAYS OF LEARNING ENGLISH SUCCESSFULLY

Many of us are in search of the ways to improve our English, and in general, the language we speak, because we realize that the language says a lot about the person himself, and in this way would definitely witness about one's education and character. If you speak a good language, no matter which one, it would certainly become a good indicator of diligence, respect towards oneself and other people, intelligence and efforts. A good language plays a most important part when applying for a job, going to the cinema, leading various types of negotiations, and so on. And, consequently, the normal question emerges: how to improve the language? And moreover – if it's not native but acquired?

**Novelty** of this article is that the article shows the best and easiest ways for learning English, so you can learn it with fun also, not wasting your time on theory.

So, there are 4 kinds of speech activity. If you want to improve your language all these activities must be developed. Let us have a look at all of them.

1. **Speaking.** To speak English well, a number of different elements need to work together: knowing (and choosing) suitable vocabulary, using the right grammar and sentence patterns, and producing the correct sounds, stress patterns, rhythm and intonation [4]. You have to work on these individual elements if you want to see improvements.

Easily the best way of learning a language in general, and English in particular, is through total immersion, where the student learns in a country like the United States or England and is exposed to English constantly. Guidance from a teacher increases his comprehension. Because he is forbidden to use his native tongue, he is forced to communicate in English for such basic needs as riding the bus or buying food. He must learn the language to live his life. The easiest way to find an immersion program is to call a local university. You can find people in your community or post a classified ad on a website or in a newspaper saying that you are looking for someone to help you practice your English. Also you can go to the American center, or use skype to be involved in the atmosphere. The best thing about the immersion approach is that it gets you used to the proper pronunciations of the words. And, by immersing yourself in the culture that surrounds the English language, you can pick up on slang words and words that are not quite used correctly, but sound right to English speakers. You will pick up on phrases that are commonly used, and phrases that are best left untouched. Do not be afraid of making mistakes. Practice Makes Perfect is more than just a saying. Part of practicing your English is getting all those mistakes out of the way. The more you practice speaking, the faster you'll learn English. So, whenever you have the chance to practice speaking, writing, or listening to English, take advantage of it. You will soon learn English as well as any native speaker, or perhaps even better!

If you want to learn English faster, you have to communicate with your close friends or relatives in English. Avoid speaking with your own language/dialect. At first, it is OK to

speaking some English mix with "some of your language", and then later, you have to change "some of your language" that you might not know before into the English language.

Improve your vocabulary with 5 Words a Day . Vocabulary is easy! How many days in a year are there? 365, normally (on Earth). If you learn only 5 new words a day, you will learn  $5 \times 365 = 1,825$  new words in a year [1]. So that is a lot of new words. And we are not counting all the other words you will learn in other ways - reading, conversation etc. Buy a notebook and write in 5 new words every day, learn them! You will soon have an excellent vocabulary.

**2. Listening.** Listening helps you to develop your comprehension of English, to snatch certain words from the context. Similarly to speaking, if you live in an English-speaking country, you are already surrounded by English. You should take advantage of this. Watch English-language television programs and films. Listen to English-language music. When you are in your car, tune in to an English-language talk radio station. Such sources as BBC and CNN are considered to be one of the best ones to listen to as their speech is considered to be perfect in British terms. When listening, you can also try to listen to one sentence and then write it down after the newscaster. Afterwards, you could try to translate it. Try and follow along as best you can, but also try and acclimate yourself to the sounds of English. Listen to English morning, noon and night to accelerate your understanding of the language.

**3. Reading.** Read English language newspapers daily. English language newspapers are written at a fairly low reading level. They are also mercilessly edited for spelling and grammar. This is an excellent, cheap way to practice your reading with new material every day. Don't be afraid to pick up a couple of children's books in English to practice your reading either [3].

For reading do phonics. If you do wish to read English, for example to read road signs or maps etc, there is a really easy way. It's called "phonics". Now this might sound complicated, but it's very simple. All it means is that instead of learning the names of the letters, for example "Ay, Bee, See", you learn the sounds the letters make. So, once you've done the basic sounds, which only takes a few afternoons, you'll be able to read eighty percent of English words. Which isn't too bad, is it?

**4. Writing.** Forget writing. You don't need to learn to write. How much of your daily communication is speaking / listening? How much is reading / writing? That's the same balance you should use when learning English. For most people this means over ninety percent of the time should be speaking and listening [2]. That is why you can and must concentrate your attention on the important points of speaking and listening.

So, finally, learning English may be really fun and useful thing if you want. It just depends on you, whether you are going to open a boring book of rules how you must do this or that, or mysterious world of limitless possibilities. And this will give you a chance to live the life you want. There is one saying «A language is window to the world», so enjoy a picturesque look at the world, it is so easy.

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