

THE BASIC WAYS OF IMPROVING PRONUNCIATION SKILL IN LEARNING ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Abstract

This article gives useful tips on improving English pronunciation. The production of spoken sounds for communication is known as pronunciation. Being understood by native English speakers requires good pronunciation. Here are some recommendations for honing it through practice.

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INTRODUCTION

The capacity to communicate is a physical ability. One of the most challenging components of learning English is pronunciation. It is critical to devote significant time and effort on your pronunciation. Even after spending a significant amount of time in an English-speaking nation, some non-native speakers have difficulty pronouncing words. Some people appear to be able to quickly learn English pronunciation, while some may even succeed without ever visiting an English-speaking nation!

MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. *Identify which English accent you want to learn.*

One of the first choices you will need to make while learning English is what English dialect you want to use. With 225 million native speakers, American English is the variant of English with the most native speakers. Canadian English, Australian English, New Zealand English, South African English, and Indian English are the other major variations of English [1]. Because English-speaking nations communicate in various dialects and pronunciations, Uzbek learners have considerable difficulties learning and pronouncing words accurately. Thus, first, choose which national accent you require. If someone wants to study or travel to America, and someone wants to travel to England, the pronunciation of words in the two nations differs, and if you learn these things, you will have no trouble understanding people there.

2. *Learn to listen.*

You must first learn to listen before you can learn to speak. Certain noises might be difficult to notice when listening. There are several tutorials available to assist you get started learning to listen. You can learn via watching movies, listening to music, and listening to podcasts online. There are additional online listening exercises available.

3. *Study English using the Best Online Dictionaries for Pronunciation*

You clearly need a dictionary to translate phrases from English, but digital or online dictionaries may also be highly useful for other uses, such as pronunciation advice. The greatest thing is that you can obtain these dictionaries online free, making them one of the most valuable resources for improving your English pronunciation.

The following list includes some of the top online pronunciation dictionaries:

➤ Forvo

With Forvo, a subscription pronunciation guide, natural speakers contribute audio clips of themselves pronouncing specific words or phrases [2]. It is astounding because actual people are uttering the words on Forvo. The pronunciations with the most likes may be the ones you should focus on. You may also look at how various speakers are read in terms of pronunciation. Because audio recordings might originate from anywhere in the globe, you may hear how the same word is spoken in different dialects and accents; the relevance of this will be discussed in more depth later.

➤ Google Translate

You have most likely used Google Translate when studying English. Google Translate is a user-friendly translator that provides pronunciation suggestions for both single words and whole phrases [3]. When you reach Google Translate's website, you may search for any phrase and it will present you with a list of meanings as well as an audio pronunciation.

➤ FluentU

Many dictionaries lack natural speaker pronunciation recordings, and the majority lack useful examples of how to apply terms in context. Numerous videos in the application give context and allow you to hear words in real life circumstances, such as those in movie trailers, advertising, motivational speeches, music videos, and more. It uses these films to bolster its vocabulary and gives thorough meanings directly from the video's subtitles [4].

4. Pay attention on how your tongue, lips, and mouth move.

When you talk, your mouth moves. The way your mouth moves affects how a word is pronounced. Identifying and responding to your mouth shape is the first step toward enhancing it. You may check if your mouth and lips are in the appropriate shape by utilizing a mirror. By far the most straightforward approach for identifying what your mouth is doing while you talk. Pay attention to how others' mouths and lips move while they talk. Try emulating the performers or celebrities in your favorite TV show, cartoon, or video.

As you speak, your tongue moves to make sounds. You do it without thinking, so you probably were not even aware of it. To enhance your English pronunciation, it's a good idea to pay attention to what your tongue is doing. Look for a video on YouTube that displays the proper mouth and lip forms to help you grasp the language's sounds.5. *Type out challenging words based on their sounds.*

"EnglishClub" is a fantastic dictation website regardless of your educational background. Choose from beginner, intermediate, or advanced dictation [6]. The dictation will be play at normal speed once. Then, at a slower rate, repeat it so you may take notes. Listen to the third time at normal speed. Then examine your answers.

6. Record yourself.

Creating a video of yourself can help you decide whether all of your practice is beneficial. Use a camera rather than just a sound recorder since it is important to see as well as hear your speech. The majority of PCs and mobile devices include video recorders, so you do not need to download any extra software to film yourself. Compare the words or sounds you recorded to those of another individual. Find a video of the

scene from the movie that you enjoyed. Pick one or two sentences, and then record yourself while attempting to emulate the video's pronunciation, emphasis, and tone. After comparing the two, figure out what you did differently and give it another attempt.

RESULT

It is apparent that your choice of dialect will have an impact on every other choice you make related English pronunciation! If you follow each tip in sequence, your speech will become more fluent day by day. You can do it all by yourself without any tutors because nowadays computer technology and internet are developed and you can find all the information you need from there.

CONCLUSION

If you do not regularly practice speaking and pronouncing words, you may have anxiety when it comes time to speak in English. To feel comfortable speaking in front of others, you should work on your English pronunciation as well as your shyness. Anxiety may lead to many mistakes, especially when it comes to pronunciation. Make yourself the following rule: You must speak English to yourself at home. Begin by detailing your actions while you make a meal or prepare for bed. Make it a daily aim to speak loudly for at least a few minutes. Keep in mind that practice makes perfect! Give it your all!

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