

THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO IMPROVE STUDENTS' SPEAKING SKILLS IN ENGLISH CLASSES

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Annotation

If you need to quickly “talk”, we advise you to use the help of an experienced teacher. We invite you to enroll in the course "Conversational English via Skype". You will speak from the first lesson, even if you started learning the language from scratch. We will be happy to help you improve your knowledge of the English language.

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1. Try to predict text

As soon as you pick up a book or open an article, try to guess what it will be about from the abstract, introduction, or title. If you have an interlocutor or you are studying with a teacher, express your assumptions aloud, tell us what they are based on.

2. Read aloud

Reading aloud is an excellent practice for speaking. Try to pronounce each word correctly, with the correct stress. Watch the intonation - try to convey the emotions of each character with the help of articulation. You can use audio recordings for this. Find an audiobook and read the text in parallel with the speaker, imitating all his intonations.

3. Retell the text

Tell your friend or teacher what you learned from the article or book, what it means, what you think the author wanted to say. It is best to retell the text from the perspective of one of the characters. At the same time, you can add text "from yourself", change the plot at your discretion. The main thing is to use new words and phrases for you.

4. Express your point of view

After the retelling, express your opinion about the text: did it “hook” you, is the described situation close to you, did something similar happen to you, do you agree with the author’s point of view, etc.

5. Answer questions and do exercises

If you are studying English with a friend, read the text together, and then ask a fellow student to ask you questions to understand the meaning of what you read. Answer as detailed as possible, try to use new words that you met in the text. If you do not have an interlocutor, we advise you to purchase adapted literature of your level. These books have many advantages, we wrote about them in detail in the article “Is it useful to read adapted books in English?” One of the main advantages is the availability

of questions and various exercises for each chapter of the book. Answer questions and do tasks out loud to improve your English speaking.

6. Compose your questions to the text

Ask your interlocutor questions about what you have read. If you are studying on your own, just make questions to the text. Try to come up with as many interesting questions as possible, and then you can answer them in detail by retelling passages of the text.

7. Have a discussion

If you are studying with a teacher or friend, have a debate. Pick up 2 articles in which the authors express the opposite opinion and discuss them. Formulate arguments "for" and "against" each of the points of view.

8. Continue the story

Read a short story, an anecdote and try to continue the story. Tell what could happen to the characters of the story in the future, how events developed, etc. Thus, at the same time, you will repeat in practice the construction of conditional sentences of the second type.

9. Act out the skit

For this exercise, you will need a partner who is also interested in learning how to improve your spoken English. Take some dialogue, read it aloud in roles, and then continue the conversation with the interlocutor, imagine what the characters of the dialogue could talk about next, improvise and hone your conversational skill.

10. Study biographies

You probably have a favorite writer, actor or musician. Read his biography or some facts from life in English, and then try to tell your interlocutor about the idol.

Now you know how to improve spoken English for those who love to read. Use these simple tricks daily and you will soon notice progress in speaking. And if you experience fear or difficulty speaking a foreign language, we recommend that you familiarize yourself with the techniques from the article "How to overcome the language barrier in English: 15 valuable tips."

Learning spoken English is the dream of every student. But how can reading help in this matter? We believe that an interesting text is a great help for speaking practice. For maximum benefit, it is desirable to involve an interlocutor in this process - a friend or teacher, but if this is not possible, study alone, with a good book or article it never gets boring!

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