

LEARNING ENGLISH – SHORTENED

Speaking Topics



Let's talk about **LEARNING ENGLISH**



Conversation cards

Is it better to use a dictionary when reading an English text or to try to guess the meanings of words from the sentences?

In The Natural Approach no grammar or vocabulary is taught until the student is ready. What's your opinion about this?

How often do you use English outside of the classroom? Do you think this is enough? How could you practice more?

What do you find difficult when learning English? Discuss.

According to you, which is more important: grammar or vocabulary? Explain why and share ideas.

Are you motivated to learn English *intrinsically* (because you enjoy learning English) or *extrinsically* (for your job or some other reason)?

What kind of classroom activities do you like most? Make a list. Give reasons.

How do you memorize new vocabulary or grammar rules?

What could a teacher do to make lessons more interesting? Give suggestions.

Is it more important to speak **fluently** (= without pauses or thinking) or **accurately** (= without making mistakes)? Why?

Which is a better way to test your level of English: exams, continuous assessment or both? Why?

Are dictionaries allowed during exams in Germany? If not, should they be allowed? Explain why.

How can you improve your English? Talk about speaking, reading, writing and listening.

How long does it take to become **proficient** in English? (= really good at)

Do you prefer teachers who speak English only or teachers who sometimes use your language? What is best?

What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of using a coursebook to learn English?

Have you ever been to an English speaking country? Did you speak a lot of English while there? Why? Why not?

One of the best ways to learn English is to go and live in the UK. Do you agree?