

TIPS FOR LEARNING ENGLISH





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Don't be afraid.

Take Risks!

Use English Every Day



10

minutes a day

Build Your Vocabulary



fish **camp** **hunt** **swim**

read **write** **learn**

car **bus**

today

Identify Cognates



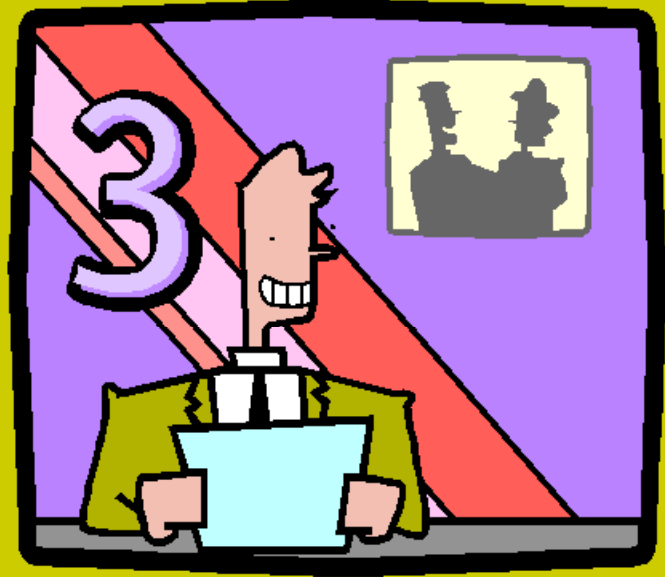
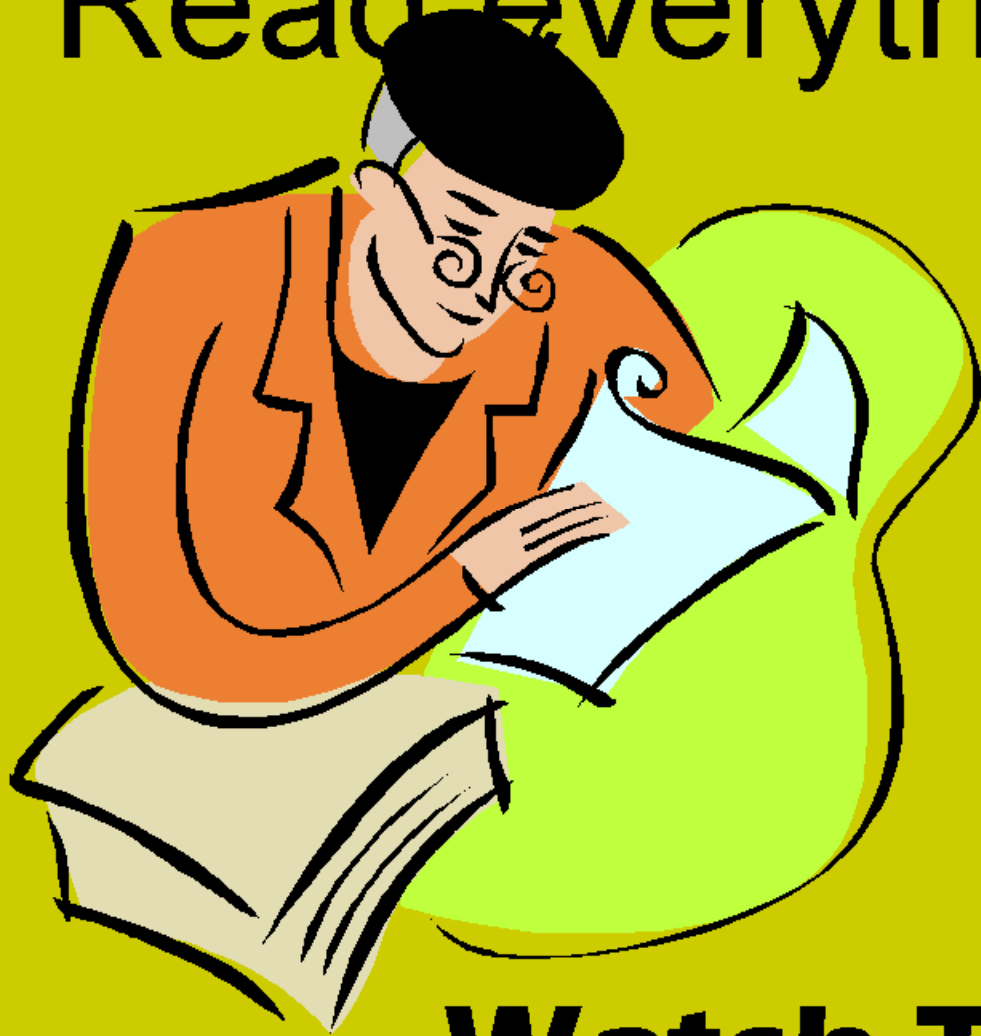
la grammaire et structure

Grammatik und Struktur

a gramática e estrutura

Exit = Exito?

Read everything you can.



Watch TV in English.

Pay attention to grammar.



Every Sunday, I call my mother.

Last Sunday, I called her twice.

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1. **Keep trying.** Don't be afraid of mistakes. It's OK to make errors. Over time, you will learn more and get better. Don't try to be perfect. Ask for help when you are stuck.

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2. Use English everyday. It's like exercise, if you do it everyday, you can see results. Start with 10 minutes outside of class every day and practice more each day. Make English part of your daily routine.

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3. Build your vocabulary. Pay attention to sounds and look at word components. Make flashcards and carry them with you. Practice on the bus, when you stand in line at the store, or at the bank. Pay attention to words all around you. Look for interesting words on signs, labels, and in the newspaper. Make a plan and use a new word every day.

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- 4. Identify cognates and look at sentences.** Ask yourself: Is this word familiar? Is it similar to a word in my language? How is it the same? How is it different? Is the meaning the same or different? (If the meaning is different, it is a “false” cognate, so be careful). Make a list of cognates. Add new cognates to the list each week.

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5. Read and reread, silently and aloud. Ask others to read with you. Read everything you can - in English and in your native language. Read story books with children, signs and store ads, or the text on a box of cereal. Watch TV shows that teach reading. Practice reading with expression.

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- 6. Pay attention to English sentences and grammar.** Ask yourself: Is the structure in English the same as the structure in my language? Pay attention to the difference. Notice English sentences that use the structure. Memorize these sentences and use them as guides.

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**The more you know,
the more you know.**