



Enriching English

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ABSTRACT

The plight of a Native Speaker is to make lot of errors while speaking English. These errors are cultivated by the speaker by irregular development of the four core skills, Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. For a good output of English one has to enrich his/her vocabulary. This enrichment of vocabulary can dissolve the hindrances in ones mind while speaking English. If a person is devoid of his/her vocabulary then he is in proper trouble as there is nothing to be shown are spoken. **Keywords:** Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing, Vocabulary, Pronunciation and Errors.

ENRICHING ENGLISH

It is normally believed that it is tedious for some of the Tamil speaking individuals to speak proper English. Actually it is way easier for an individual to speak English rather than Tamil because the alphabets of English account to only eleven percent of the alphabets of Tamil in whole. It is a mystery why some students who are out from their 12th standard with Tamil as their medium does not write or speak proper English. It is no more a myth. A simple analysis would answer this peculiar question. The four basic skills, Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing should always be predominant in learning and speaking English. The interesting idea is that these four skills should be practiced by an individual in order. One must listen, in order to speak and read in order to write. If this order, at any cost, is messed up, there is no outcome of proper English. It is in the best conscience of the speaker to see to it to follow the order correctly and coherently to have a proper outcome of better English.

The most vital thing in English is Vocabulary. The more the vocabulary, the more proficient would be the language. The four skills to be practiced to get English are Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. Here are some tips to improve your English and reproduce it effectively for a healthy communication.

DON'T BE AFRAID TO COMMIT ERRORS

Normally if a person who was devoid of speaking English has a natural tendency to have a conscious stress. This stress is due to the anxiety of that individual who thinks that if he speaks English he would make mistakes. It is apparent that an individual who has anxiety and stress while speaking English will surely commit errors. These errors are healthy in his/her development in speaking correct English because the decoder knows very well, where the individual commits mistakes and it is massively helpful for immediate rectification.

LET ENGLISH BE YOUR AMBIENCE

Passive learning of English is acquired through the idea of exposing yourself in an English-Speaking Environment. It is evident that the ambience can change the personality of a particular individual without his knowledge. This can be practiced for learning English, as the ambience takes care of the passive learning of English. Best ideologies are to have a library in your home which comprises of English books and viewing English programs.

PRACTICING

As per the popular adage "Practice Makes a Man Perfect", it should be bound in the brain of the speaker that it is his responsibility to practice numerous times to speak correct English. A schedule to study and reproduce correct English should be drafted and practiced by the individual.

CONCENTRATION ON THE FOUR CORE SKILLS

The four skills of Learning, Speaking, Reading and Writing has to be concentrated to the maximum limit as they are supposed to be the building blocks of English and in no way can be replaced by any other skill. As mentioned earlier, the four skills have to be practiced in an order.

REGISTER THE NEW WORD YOU COME ACROSS

A healthy way to increase the vocabulary is to watch for new words and register them in a notebook for future reference. The registered words can be identified and the synonyms can be hunted down using a good Dictionary. The science of referring a Dictionary should be practiced and executed with care.

STUDY THE CONTEXT

A single word can be referred in a Dictionary, but the context of the whole sentence where the particular word is employed is mandatory to be understood which paves way for better understanding of the particular word.

ETYMOLOGY

The etymology or the origin of a particular word is massively useful in understanding the correct meaning of the particular word. English is a language which has borrowed lot of words from other languages like that of Latin, French and Greek. So if a particular word's etymology is Greek, the context of the particular Greek word should be studied and analyzed.

LEARNING GRAMMAR

The first and foremost aversion one has in learning English is the tedious task of learning its Grammar. The easiest and natural way of learning Grammar is by means of talking. It should be concentrated that the only word in a sentence which gets altered is a verb. The verb gets altered according to time. A noun is introduced by a determiner. These simple ideas make it easier for the individual who wants to learn English by learning its grammar.

SPELLING

Spelling makes lots of differences because the addition or omission of any letter in a particular word leads to total misunderstanding. The spelling should be memorized and watched carefully for errors. For example, a shop which had coffee and snacks had a board as "Snakes and Coffee". It is really funny to see such spelling as it makes a total mess of its meaning.

PRONUNCIATION AND INTONATION

Apart from speaking correct English, the pronunciation is the next vital thing. Beautiful English with an ugly pronunciation spoils the whole purpose. The best way to pronounce words correctly is by recording one's voice while speaking. Accents may be different but English is English. Whatever may be the accent but the individual should pronounce the words correctly. A foreign speaker's accent is entirely different from that of a native speaker.

TAKE AN ENGLISH COURSE

Please do take a course in English in an English Speaking Country because again it helps you to work and perfect your pronunciation. The idea is that you would be surrounded by English Speakers and

BODY LANGUAGE

Most of the communication happens through the body language of an individual. The body language, the gestures should be watched because though they are non-verbal communication, still helps a lot to communicate properly.

READING

The third skill, Reading has to be enriched because it is the most vital way to increase ones vocabulary. Reading makes the individual to understand the context and look for new words and its respective meaning using a Dictionary.

LEARN THE VOWELS AND CONSONANTS IN ENGLISH

The consonants and vowels of English should be familiarized by the individual and its pronunciation and intonation should be practiced and meanwhile most common sounds in English like that of "Schwa" should be practiced and perfected.

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