

Learning Languages

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Can you add more?

Bad Learners Characteristics

- Passive and Resistant
- Lack of Motivation and Interest
- Fearful of Failure and Mistakes
- Unorganized and Disorganized
- Lacking Curiosity and Initiative
- Difficult to Motivate



Good Learners Characteristics

- Curiosity and Open-Mindedness
- Growth Mindset
- Proactive and Self-Directed
- Persistence and Resilience
- Focus and Concentration
- Effective Study Habits
- Self-Reflection
- Motivation and Engagement
- Embrace Challenges



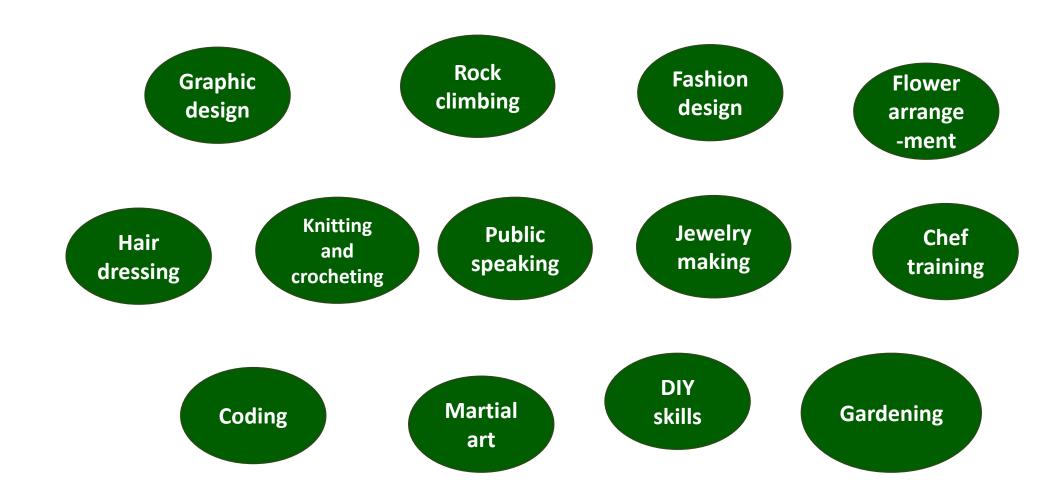




Are you a good learner?



Which skill do you want to learn? Why?



ENGLISH GRAMMAR

WILL vs. GOING TO





Instant Decision

- I'm thirsty. I think I will buy a drink.

Offer

- That looks heavy. I will help you with it.

Promise

- Don't worry, I won't tell anyone.

Threat

- If you don't stop, I will tell your mother.

Refusal

won't = will not

- She won't listen to anything I say.

GOING TO

Prior Plan

- = The decision was made before the moment of speaking.
- They're going to get married next year.

Evidence / Signs

- = When there are signs that something is likely to happen.
- I don't feel well. I think I am going to throw up.
- It's 70-0. They're going to win.

You can use both Will and Going to for making predictions.

- I think it will rain tomorrow. = - I think it is going to rain tomorrow.

COMPARE: Are you busy this evening?

I haven't made any plans.
 I think I will probably watch TV.
 I'm probably going to watch TV.

Will and **going to** are both possible here. We are "predicting" what will happen because nothing is planned.

Yes, I'm going to visit my parents.

Only **Going to** is possible because this is a prior plan.

In spoken English **Going to** is often pronounced as **"gonna"**

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Phrasal Verbs Hobbies



to take up

to start doing something regularly as a habit, job, or interest

I was really enjoying taking photos and decided to take up photography $\textit{as a hobby.} \quad \text{www.englishlessonviaskype.com}$

to sign up to enrol or register for sth Only ten students signed for the debating society last year.



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- to get into something to become interested in something Many people decide to take the step to get into running each year.
- to keep up www.englishlessonviaskype.com to continue the action that we've started I find it difficult to keep up going to the gym.
- to back outwww.englishlessonviaskype.com to lose your interest, to move backwards Running wasn't for me so I decided to back out.



Asking for an Opinion or Explanation

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- Could you explain to me...?
- Are you saying that...?
- Could you tell me...?
- May I ask you...?
- What's you opinion about...?
- What do you think about it?
- How do you feel about...?
- Do you agree with me?
- Do you know/see what I mean?
- Don't you think that...?
- Is it in fact the case that...?



- I beg your pardon?
- Just tell me the reason why?
- Could someone please tell me ...?
- Do you have an idea...?
- English Is it right what I've done?
 - I just don't see why...?
 - Do you think…?
 - Are you aware of...?
 - Would you support the view that...?
 - What's your take on...?



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Good Language STUDENTS Good Language LEARNERS



Study a lot Little speaking practice **Learn from books** Spend most time with each other **Worry about exams** Speak the language at school Make studying a commitment Focus on the rules Study in their comfort zone Stop studying after exams

Learn a lot A lot of speaking practice Learn from people Spend time with native speakers Don't care about exams Speak the language in the real world Learn naturally Focus on communication Leave their comfort zone Never stop learning



A Reflective Journal

- A reflective journal is a personal record of experiences and thoughts, used for self-reflection and learning.
- It involves documenting events, feelings, and insights, and then analyzing them to understand their impact and meaning.



- This process helps in personal growth, problem-solving, and aligning future actions with values.
- To write a reflective journal, start by describing the experience or situation you want to reflect on. Then, analyze what happened, how you felt, and the significance of the event. Finally, consider what you learned and how it will influence your future actions or thinking.

Learning at Leisure



- Read a passage on "Xenoglossophobia".
- Read the reflective article of a person on his language learning journey.
- Listen to someone talking about learning languages.
- Write a reflective journal on "your English language learning journey" (100 – 150 words).
 - Personal experience challenges as well as achievements
 - Your goal and your efforts to reach there
 - Use the language learnt from the reading and listening on learning language.

