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HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH VOCABULARY

There are many ways to improve your level of English vocabulary, but only you can find the right way for you. Here are a few tips that might help: Use [self-study vocabulary books](#), these should include a good dictionary, and a thesaurus. Expose yourself to as much English as possible by reading, watching the TV, [films](#) or the news and listening to the radio or music. Read an [English magazine](#). If you can afford it take out a subscription to a magazine or newspaper. Do [online exercises](#). Keep a note of how you did and go back in a few weeks to see how you have improved. Use stick it notes and label things around your home. Try to memorize whole sentences, not just individual words. Create or play [word games](#). Scrabble, Crossword Puzzles, Hangman, and Dingbats are all great ways to play with words. *Notebooks* - Keep a notebook to help you remember what you've learnt. *Vocabulary webs* - Build a vocabulary web to organise your vocabulary about certain subjects. *Flash cards* - Start a flash cards box. Buy or cut out some cards all the same size. Draw or cut out some pictures. Paste the pictures onto one side of the card and write the correct word on the other side. Put new words in the front of the box. Test yourself using either the pictures, the words or both. If you have forgotten a word bring it to the front of the box. Use the [vocabulary pages](#) to learn new vocabulary thematically and in context. You can use [on-line flash cards](#) to practice your vocabulary. *Singing* - Try learning the words to English songs, and even sing along with them. With friends or in the privacy of your own bathroom. You can find some karaoke resources and ideas on the [learn English through songs](#) page. You can find the words to some popular songs on [the English magazine](#). *Vocabulary trees* help provide context. Once you've mapped out a few vocabulary trees, you'll discover yourself thinking in vocabulary groups. When you see a word your mind will quickly relate such words as *knife, fork, late, dishes, etc.* This overview to [vocabulary trees](#) provides will help you get started.

Tips:

Use vocabulary learning methods to focus quickly on the vocabulary YOU need to study.

1. Don't make random lists of new words. Try to group words in themes. This will help you memorize new words more quickly.
2. If you have the time, and even if you think you don't have the time, try to add context. Writing a few example sentences using new vocabulary will help you remember the words in context.
3. Keep a vocabulary notepad at hand whenever you are reading in English.

How to improve Your English Grammar

Use [self-study grammar books](#). Practice forming meaningful sentences. Make positive statements negative, turn statements into questions, make active statements passive. Turn past tense sentences into present tense sentences etc. etc. Learn the [different tenses](#). Learn by heart a simple example sentence using each tense. Do [online exercises](#). Keep a note of how you did and go back in a few weeks

to see how you have improved. Use the [grammar pages](#) to learn new grammar and then test yourself by means of on-line tests. Most importantly, try to develop a feeling for English.