

Part III-B: English of Academic Purposes

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Topic: Academic language

Notation. Change: New thing or trends

Trend could means a change, a shift or a development, or a fashion, or some thing is hot or becoming popular

Notation. The tipping point by Malcolm Gladwell points out that there are three types of person to influence social change

Definition. charismatic: a person who possesses a compelling charm or appeal that inspires devotion and enthusiasm in others.

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1 Listenings

Topic: Hear people's speaking

Recent News:

- Korean pop singer dies
- Chongqing var has a live horse
- 3.15 event
- DeepSeek
- Peace in our time - international wars
- Ne Zha 2
- Ireland important festival: St. Patrick's Day

Why is listening to foreign lang so difficult?

Notation. A new born child is potential to speak any lang, but it will hear only those sounds of its own lang.

Let's find out the factors which make it difficult to hear clearly:

- The speed
- Background noise

- accent
- linking words changes the tone of its original's
- hard words

Video 1

Two problems:

- They don't know where the word begins and ends
- They can't hear the expected accent they have practiced

Video 2

I'm writing down a phrase in video 2:

Notation. *Words-they-hear ...*

but actually:

Notation. *Words they hear in natural speech.*

Video 3

Fill in the gaps

1.1 Lecture

experiment contents:

- 12 sts.
- 3 semesters.
- equal men and women
- track interviews

Notation. There is some shortcomings in this plan:

- students is too few
- time range not enough
- ...

he find out, in China:

- undergraduate lectures has more contents
- they only give back sayings to the lecturer
- not very interactive
- main points are often splited by the lecturer
- the importance of knowledge is defined by lecturer
- one course book for each course
- less reading on course book

in the UK:

- students not only give back lecturer says
- many books, articles for one course
- lecturer respect students' right to discussion
- interactive is important

- not able to pass the exam if only study in notes

Notation. Next class: The Lecture Introduction

1. homework: graph
2. New homework: listensing comprehension