

## 2.6 Note-taking

### 1. Benefits of taking notes

1. It helps you concentrate.
2. It makes you an active listener.
3. It helps you remember what you have learned.
4. It helps you process the information.
5. It helps you think about what is important and how it should be organized.
6. It helps you learn much more efficiently.

### 2. Tip1 Pay attention to your topic

1. **Not** taking down every word.
2. Depending on the **topics**
  - different types of information
  - how you take your notes

### 3. Tip2 Use shorthand

e.g.

| Shorthand | Truth           |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 1,2,3     | one, two, three |
| wd        | would           |
| +         | and             |
| pop m     | popular music   |
| e.g.      | for example     |

|      |                         |
|------|-------------------------|
| etc. | and so on               |
| St.  | Street                  |
| ASAP | as soon as possible     |
| esp. | especially              |
| i.e  | that is, in other words |

## 4. Tips for organizing notes

1. Always start on a *fresh* page.
2. Make sure your writing is *legible*.
3. Use *wide* margins.
4. *Color-code* your notes.
5. Use *symbols* and *diagrams*.

# 2.7 How to Understand Natural English

## 1. Definition of natural English

1. Natural English refers to **English spoken by native speakers in their free talk.**
2. Two kinds of Natural English
  - Jokes
  - The use of word so

## 2. Features of jokes

1. *Use of present tense*

2. Repetition
3. Starting
  - There was a man...
4. Showing time passing
  - Anyway, two weeks later, the man on the bike...

### 3. Functions of the use of the word so

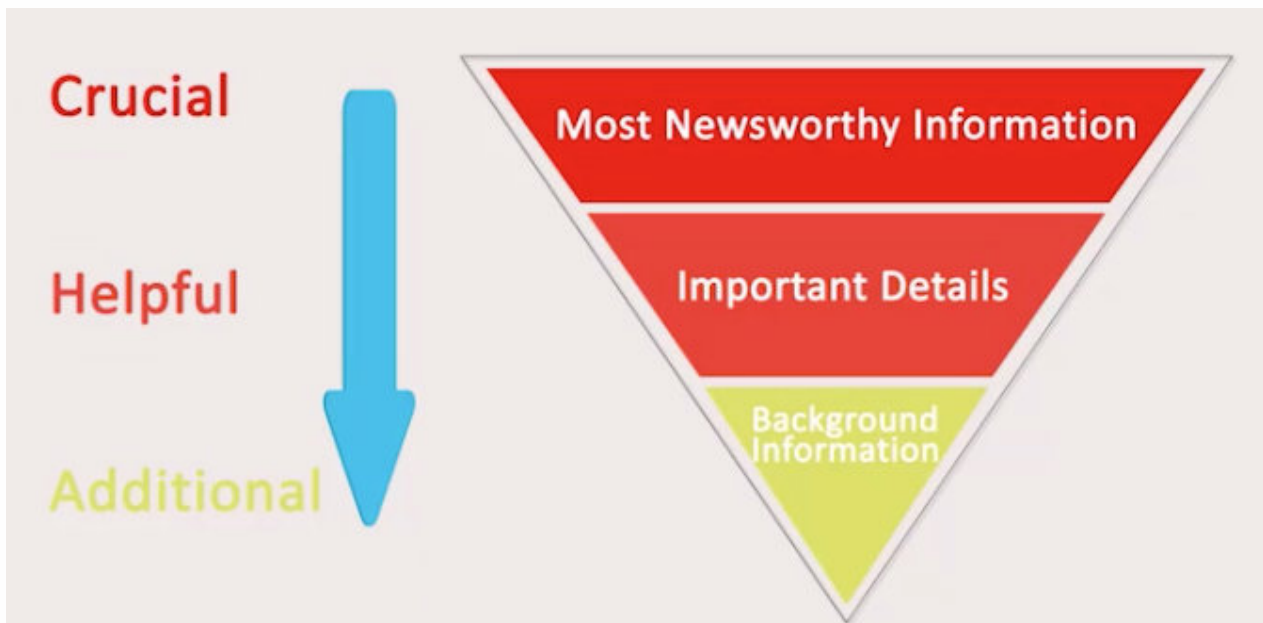
1. To introduce a new sentence
2. For emphasis

### 4. Tips to improve your natural English listening ability

1. **Train** your ears.
2. Do not **overwhelm** yourself.
3. Choose what you are **interested** in.
4. **Guess** First from the Context.
5. Understand the **Big Ideas**.

## 2.8 Organization of English News

### Broadcast news structure



Generally, the structure is ordered as follows.

1. Lead <--"Who what where when why how"
2. Body <--Support Explain Complement
  - Details
  - Comments
  - Background information
3. End <--Quotation of the information source

## 2.9 Three types of speeches

### 1. Informative

An informative speech can cover a process.

1. Speech about objects
  - Involves talking about things in the sensory and physical world.
2. Speech about events
3. Speech about processes
  - Like a cooking demonstration
4. Speech about concepts
  - Abstract and intangible

## 2.Persuasive

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It is designed to change people's thinking or behaving

1. emotional appeal
2. logical appeal

## 3.Special Occasion

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It is just for fun

1. It is usually brief.

# 2.10American TV

## 1.American TV Series Aired in China

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1. *Man from Atlantis.*
2. *Garrison's Gorillas*

## 2.American Broadcast Television Network

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1. networks
  - abc
  - CBS
  - NBC
  - FOX
  - UPN
2. basic cable
  - TNT
  - FX
  - AE
3. premium Cable
  - HBO

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