

Oral English for Business and Technology

Class 2

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Agenda

- Mock Interview
- Technology Discussion

HW Review

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Mock Interview

1. What is your greatest strength?
2. What are your goals for the future?
3. What was your biggest accomplishment?
4. What are you passionate about?

Discussion: Technology

- Windows is the best operating system (vs. Linux, Unix, Mac OSX)
- The iPhone is better than Android phones

Role Play

- Person A: The school wants improve by adding some new technology
- Person B: Make suggestions of technology that would improve the school
- State your opinion
- Support your opinion

10 min.

Grammar: Present Perfect and Past Simple

- You use the **past simple** for things which started and finished in the past:
 - I **joined** my company three years ago.
- You use the **present perfect** for things which started in the past and are still happening now:
 - In the past three months, I've **been given** a lot more responsibility.
- You use the **present perfect** for things in the past where the time is not stated:
 - I've **been** to New York three times on business.

Practice

- I've been with this company for nearly two years now.
- I was originally attracted to this company in my final year at Cambridge.
- In my case, this means I've always been allowed to give exam preparation priority over my client work.

Short Presentation

- Write a short presentation about your favorite teacher
- Include the following
 - Name
 - Subject they taught
 - Why he/she was your favorite

Discussion: Technology

- Education is more important than experience

Discussion Inventions

- What do you think are the three most important or interesting inventions? Why?

Homework

- Do exercises 1-5.1-9 in “Check Your English for Vocabulary for Computers and Information Technology ”

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