

Communicating

A

Language learning

1 Put the letters in the correct order to make sentences.

1. hatwc/ioneln/devio/pclsi/.
2. lkta/ot/ersyluof/uot/dlou/.
3. peek/a/arvcaloyub/nbekooot/.
4. hwtac/smveoi/tiwh/tssliutbe/.
5. lkta/twhi/eavtni/apsersek/.
6. emka/hlsfa/dscar/.

Watch online video clips.

Take to yourself out loud

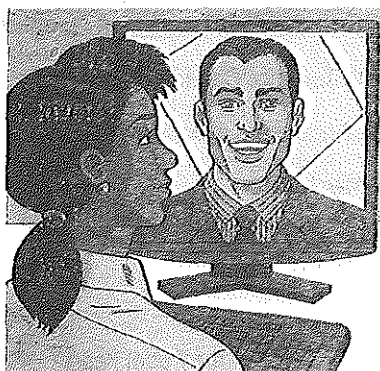
keep a vocabulary notebook

Watch movies with subtitles

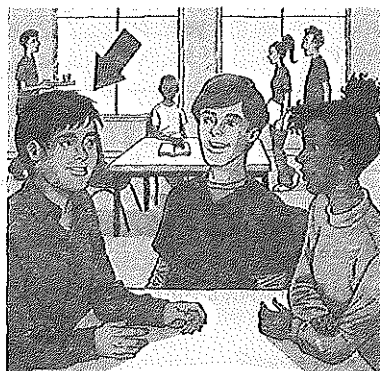
Take with native speakers

make flash cards

2 Look at the pictures. Write sentences with language-learning tips.



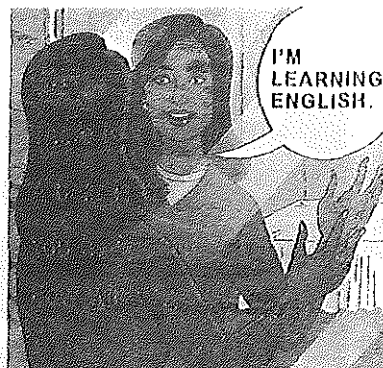
1. She watches online video clips.



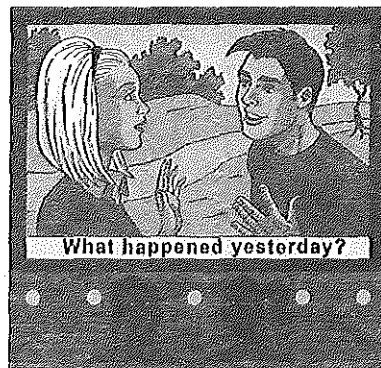
2. He takes with native speakers.



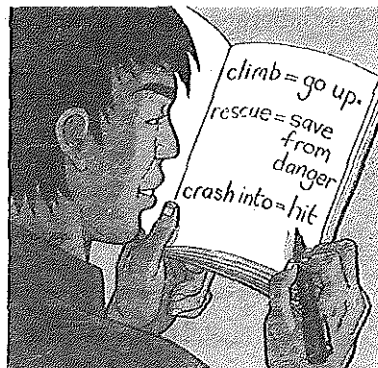
3. She makes flash card.



4. She takes to herself out loud in the mirror



5. Watch videos with subtitles.



6. He

3 Check (✓) the correct sentences. Then change the sentences that are NOT correct to the present perfect.

1. ☐ I've been knowing Tom for ten years. I've known Tom for ten years.
2. ☒ Jill has been keeping a vocabulary notebook recently. _____
3. ☐ We've been driving this car for about two years. We've driven this car for about two years.
4. ☐ Lola has been owning her bicycle for a long time. Lola has owned her bicycle for a long time.
5. ☐ Su Ho hasn't been belonging to our club very long. _____
6. ☐ I've been watching online video clips all day. _____
7. ☐ They have never been believing my story. They have never believed my story.
8. ☐ How long have you been waiting here? _____

4 Complete the email with the present perfect continuous. Use the words in parentheses.

Hi Rafa,


Have you been having ¹ (you / have) a good time in summer school? Which classes are you taking? I'm not taking summer classes this year, but I have been practicing ² (I / practice) my English a lot lately. I have been living ³ (I / live) in Toronto, Canada, this summer, and I have taken ⁴ (I / talk) with native speakers every day. I have been watching ⁵ (I / watch) a lot of movies recently, but I haven't watched ⁶ (I / not watch) them with subtitles. My English is improving, so I can understand the movies without the subtitles!

Do you have Mr. Payton for English again? Has he been using ⁷ (he / use) flash cards in class? Has the class been watching ⁸ (the class / watch) any online video clips? If yes, please send me the websites. I haven't been using ⁹ (I / not use) my computer because it isn't working. I came to an Internet café to send you this email. I hope you're having a good summer.

Your friend,

Carla

P.S. I have taken ¹⁰ (I / take) a lot of pictures.
Look at the streetcar!



5 Look at the chart. Then answer the questions.

	Talks with native speakers	Watches online video clips in English	Keeps a vocabulary notebook
Tina	✓	✓	✓
Caroline		✓	✓
Marcos	✓		✓
Andrew	✓		

- Has Tina been watching online videos in English? Yes, she has.
- Have Tina and Marcos been keeping vocabulary notebooks? Yes, they have.
- Has Caroline been talking with native speakers? No, she hasn't.
- Has Marcos been talking with native speakers? Yes, he has.
- Have Marcos and Andrew been watching online videos in English? No, they haven't.
- Has Andrew been keeping a vocabulary notebook? No, he hasn't.

6 Look at the answers. Write the questions. Use the underlined words to help you.

- A: What have you been studying?
B: I've been studying English.
- A: How long have you been studying English?
B: I've been studying English for five years.
- A: Where have you been taking classes?
B: I've been taking classes at Monroe Language School.
- A: What have you been practicing English?
B: I've been practicing English by reading in English.
- A: What have you been reading lately?
B: I've been reading magazines lately.

7 Answer the questions with your own information. Use complete sentences.

Example: Yes, I have. I've been studying English for three years.

- Have you been studying English for very long? How long?
Yes, I have been studying for three years.
- Have you been reading in English? What have you been reading recently?
Yes, I have. I have been reading romantic book.
- Has your teacher been giving you homework lately? How much?
Yes, he has. He has been giving me homework three times.

B

One possibility is . . .

1 Read each sentence. Then write E (expressing interest) or O (offering options).

1. One possibility is reading a lot of books and magazines. O
2. How about watching movies with subtitles? _____
3. I'm trying to find a way to improve my vocabulary. _____
4. I'm interested in improving my listening comprehension. _____
5. You might want to consider a local newspaper or the Internet. _____
6. I'm looking for a conversation group. _____

2 Complete the conversations with the sentences from Exercise 1.

A. Albert: What are you doing, Julia?

Julia: I'm looking for a conversation group .
I thought there might be information in this magazine.

Albert: Hmm . . . I don't know if you'll find information
on a conversation group in a magazine.

Julia: I'll try the Internet! Thanks.

B. Ji Ah: Excuse me, Dana. Can you help me?

Dana: Sure, Ji Ah.

Ji Ah: I wrote the word *very* in my paper too many times.

Dana: _____ . You can learn
new words and write them in a notebook.

Ji Ah: Hey, that's a great idea.

C. Mr. Wei: So, Atakan, how can I help you today?

Atakan: Well, _____ . I listen to
English music, but my listening skills aren't getting better.

Mr. Wei: I'm not surprised. Music is difficult to understand.

_____ ? Try to listen
first, and then read the subtitles if you still don't understand what you heard.

Atakan: That's a good idea, Mr. Wei. Thank you.



1 Complete the conversations with the phrases from the box.

answer the phone	left her a voice message	screen my calls
call my mother back	✓let the call go to voice mail	turn off my phone
don't check voice mail	respond to an email	update your status online
ignored my text		

A. Kim: Well, if you think the job interview went well, you . . .

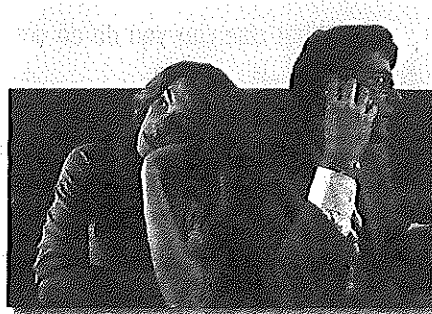
Doug: Sorry, Kim. My phone is ringing.

Kim: Could you please let the call go to voice mail ¹ ?

You can call the person back after dinner.

Doug: No! I really have to _____ ² !

It might be about the job.



B. Hiro: Is Wendy coming to the party on Friday?

Eric: I don't know. She _____ ¹ .

Hiro: Hmm . . . Well, maybe she would _____ ² .

Eric: Yeah. I'll email her tonight.

C. Jen: I'll be right back, Mike. I have to _____ ¹ .

Mike: OK. Tell your mom "hi."

. . .

Mike: That was fast.

Jen: She didn't answer the phone, so I _____ ² .

D. Lilly: I could never work at home. How do you get so much work done, Kyle?

Kyle: Well, I _____ ¹ , and I only answer calls about work.

And I _____ ² until the end of the day.

Lilly: Really? I check mine every five minutes!

Kyle: Not me. And if I'm really busy, I _____ ³ .

I also don't use the Internet. I mean, I only use it for work!

Lilly: Wow. You're really dedicated. When do you _____ ⁴ ?

Kyle: I usually update it in the evening.

2 Answer the questions with your own information. Use complete sentences.

Example: People should turn off their cell phones in restaurants because other people don't want to hear them talking.

1. Do you think people should turn off their cell phones in restaurants? Why or why not?

Yes, I do. Because other people don't want to hear them talking.

2. How often do you check your voice mail?

I check voice mail after I breakout room in class.

3. What else can you do on your cell phone?

I can chat with my girl friends or classmates.

4. Do you screen your calls on your cell phone? When?

I screen my cell phone when I see notification on it.

5. Have you answered your phone in class recently? What happened?

Yes, I have. When I have been answering phone, my classmate looked at me.

6. Do you think there is ever a good reason to ignore a text? If yes, when?

Yes, I do. When I ignore a text, I will reply it when I am already from work.



3 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. have / Would / Jenny / call me / tomorrow / you / ?

Would you have Jenny call me tomorrow?

2. them / to the party / ask / you / come / Did / to / ?

Did you ask them to come to the party?

3. vocabulary / learn / me / help / new / you / Will / ?

Will you help me learn new vocabulary?

4. phone / her / let / use / me / today / Mindy / .

Mindy lets me use her phone today.

5. his / to / soccer game / go / invited us / to / Dan / .

Dan invited us to go to his soccer game.

6. going / take the bus / Are / make / to / you / them / ?

Are you going to make them take the bus?

7. be / tell / to / Don't / quiet / me / !

Don't tell me to be quiet!

8. next week / remind / I'll / to / the information / email / you / .

I'll remind you email to the information next week.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Paula,

Thanks for staying with Lisa and Mark. Here are a few reminders:

- Remind Lisa to take out¹ (take out) the garbage.
- Help Mark do² (do) his homework every night.
- You can let Lisa and Mark have³ (have) friends at the house, but only on the weekends.
- Mark invited his soccer coach ⁴ (come) for dinner on Friday. You can order Chinese food.
- Have Lisa or Mark ⁵ (call) me every night!
- Make them ⁶ (go) to bed by 10:00 p.m.
- If you can't find something, ask Lisa ⁷ (help) you.
- Oh, and tell them ⁸ (clean) the house before I get home.

☺ Yasmin

5 Circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. Could you ask / have Tom to respond to my email?
2. Larry won't invite / let me help him with his homework.
3. Have they been helping / asking you make flash cards?
4. Mary made / invited me to join her conversation group.
5. Please let / tell Jenna to update her online status.
6. Mr. Kent has been making / telling his students keep vocabulary notebooks.
7. Did the teachers remind / have the students turn off their cell phones?

6 Answer the questions with your own information. Use a verb followed by an object and another base verb or infinitive.

Example: Yes, I have. I helped my grandfather respond to an email.

1. Have you ever helped someone with a computer problem? Who?

2. Have you ever let someone help you with a problem? What problem?

3. Have you ever told someone not to call you? Who?



Modern communication

1 Read the article. What is the text capital of the world?

TEXT IT TO ME!

The first text message was sent in 1992, and texting has become extremely popular since that time. There are about 6.7 billion people in the world, and in 2009, about 6.8 billion text messages were sent every day. It's a popular way to communicate around the world.

The United States

Text messaging is getting more popular in the United States. In the past, it was popular with people ages 13 to 22, but today, many older people are sending texts, too. People use it to communicate with friends, and it's being used for business, too. Some airlines are sending text messages to people to remind them to check in for their flights.

Japan, China, and South Korea

Japan was one of the first countries to use text messages as a way to communicate. People still use it, but now sending email on phones is more popular. In China, sending text messages is the most popular way to communicate. It's cheaper than talking on the phone. There's a problem in China with "spam" texts. These are unwanted messages sent to a lot of people at the same time. It has been a problem with email in many countries for a long time, but in China, it's

now a problem with text messages, too.

Many South Koreans use text messaging, and some of the fastest texters are from South Korea. In 2010, Yeong-Ho Bae and Mok-Min Ha won a contest in New York for the world's fastest texters.

Finland

In Finland, there are text-messaging game shows on TV. People watch TV and get quiz questions. They send the answers to the TV station by text. The person who texts the most correct answers wins!

The Philippines

Some people call the Philippines the text capital of the world. Over 67 million people in the Philippines have cell phones, and texting is very popular because it is cheap and reliable. People even use text messaging for sharing their opinions about politics and the news.

2 Read the text again. Then write the country.

1. Yeong-Ho is one of the fastest texters in the world.
2. Texting is used for quiz shows.
3. People text each other about politics.
4. You can get a text with flight information.
5. This country was one of the first to use text messages to communicate.
6. Getting spam texts is a problem.

South Korea

Finland

Philippines

U.S.

Japan

China