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Leaner Diary – Number 1

I think that I need to improve my vocabulary and pronunciation, specially the first on. To others. With a better vocabulary it is easier to be more confident when speaking and listening to others and also, I will make less mistakes.

For improving my vocabulary, I think I should read more texts in English, check new words and repeat them.

Learner Diary – Number 2

Overall, I think I am a “good participant” in the discussions activities since I prepare myself, I talk, and I am not afraid of stating my position. On the other hand, I think that I need to stop dominating conversations and give more time to others to speak. For that I need to improve my listening skills.

Learner Diary – Number 3

I am more confident when speaking in class, be it when presenting in front of an audience of when I am part of a group discussion. I never liked to participate on those activities which made my skills poor. Also, I never had the opportunity to be a chairperson, and that was a good experience.

I still need to stop being nervous as I need to stop dominate conversations. I think for the last one cultural differences may cause some difficulties. Since I could use many “useful languages” and participate in many discussions in different periods of time, I could analyze my skills at one opportunity, reflect on them and try to work on them on the next opportunity.

I thought first that listening to the others would help me with the dominating problem. I not so sure anymore. I realized that sometimes people will not talk even if you give a bigger amount of time. I am afraid that the solution for that may not rely only on myself. That said, I am trying to talk less and hear more, even on my daily life. I think that could help.