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Communicating Effectively in English

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Guest	Sue Davis, Speaking English
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Introductions



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English as a First Language

Why do we find some people easier to understand than others?

What can native English speakers do to improve their pronunciation?

Is Australian English more difficult to understand than English from other countries?

What could native English speakers learn about English from non-native English speakers?

How difficult is it for English speakers to learn other languages?

English as a Second Language

Is it easier to learn English as a second language when you are younger?

What do most people find difficult about learning to speak English?

Is it easier to speak English or write English or does this vary on who is learning?

What are the most effective ways to learn to speak English?

Which techniques are the most important to practice to improve your English pronunciation?

Is having an accent an issue? Arnold Schwarzenegger thrives on having an accent!

English for Communication

Why is it important to speak English well in an English speaking country?

What speech techniques can you use to be more influential?

What are the common mistakes that people make in the workplace when English is their second language?

How important is it to learn industry specific word pronunciation?

What is 'English Language rhythm and intonation'?

How can you learn the cultural component of communicating effectively in English?

Questions?



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