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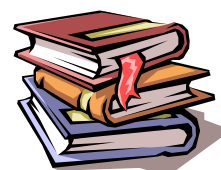
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LEARNING STRATEGIES

The best strategies and techniques for learning English (continued)

Increase your Vocabulary

- Choose a vocabulary book.
- Don't worry if you can't understand it the first time.
- Do not check the meaning of words: check how to use them.
- Go over things a second time (review and study).
- Keep going until you remember most of the vocabulary.



Practice at Low Level

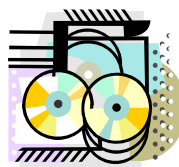
- Practicing English at a low level is very important, as understanding difficult material takes a lot of time.
- Learners need English knowledge input, which means a lot of reading and listening.
- Choose easy material : studying will be more enjoyable.

Immerse Yourself in English.

- Go to your teacher's office and ask her to check your English.
- Have conversations with your teacher.
- Be positive.
- Have a partner join you in learning English.

Another Way to Immerse Yourself in English

- Choose one movie or CD.
- Watch it and listen to it.
- Write down sentences and phrases.



Input

- Watch a movie
- Listen to music
- Read a book

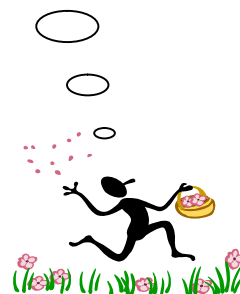


Output

- Have conversation
- Write down your ideas

Summary

- Find your appropriate method.
- Keep practicing English.
- Balance the study of all four skills.
- Make time for input
- Make time for output
- Keep using your English.



Adapted from <http://opinion.nucba.ac.jp>

Usana

Culture Corner

Dining Etiquette



1. Dropping your chopsticks in China is considered bad luck.

- ☐ True ☐ False

2. In India one should never offer someone food from one's plate?

- ☐ True ☐ False



3. At a dinner in Hong Kong where will the guest of honor could be seated?

- ☐ To the left of the host ☐ To the right of the host
☐ Opposite the host



4. In South Korea it is considered polite to:

- ☐ Finish all the food on your plate ☐ Refuse offers of more food at least 3 times
☐ Pay for the meal even if you are the guest.

5. Jews are forbidden from eating which of these?

- ☐ Duck ☐ Lobster ☐ Tuna

6. In Belgium how many times should you raise your glass when toasting?

- ☐ Once ☐ Twice ☐ Three times

7. In the Middle East which of these should you avoid doing when eating?

- ☐ Drinking anything ☐ Eating with a full mouth ☐ Using your left hand

8. In Bolivia bananas should be eaten with a knife and fork

- ☐ True ☐ False



9. Who pays for a meal in France?

- ☐ Everyone shares it ☐ The host ☐ Guest

10. In Belarus what is the most popular drink at a business gathering?

- ☐ Wine ☐ Vodka ☐ Beer



Ans. 1. True 2. True 3. Opposite the host 4. Refuse offers of more food at least 3 times 5. Lobster 6. Twice 7. Using your left hand 8. True 9. Host 10. Vodka

<http://www.kwintessential.co.uk/resources/quiz/dining.php>

Piyaporn

Here's the Answer...


Question Tags



Q: I get confused about how to respond to a tag question with a negative statement. Could you explain?

A: We answer a tag question according to the **truth** of the situation. Your answer reflects the real facts, not (necessarily) the question.

For example, everyone knows that **snow is white**. Look at these **questions**, and the **correct answers**:

tag question	correct answer		
Snow is white, isn't it?	Yes (it is).	the answer is the same in both cases - because snow IS WHITE!	 but notice the change of stress when the answerer does not agree with the questioner
Snow isn't white, is it?	Yes it is!		
Snow is black, isn't it?	No it isn't!	the answer is the same in both cases - because snow IS NOT BLACK!	
Snow isn't black, is it?	No (it isn't).		

In some languages, people answer a question like "Snow isn't black, is it?" with "Yes" (meaning "Yes, I agree with you"). This is the **wrong answer** in English!

Here are some more examples, with correct answers:

- The moon goes round the earth, doesn't it? Yes, it does.
- The earth is bigger than the moon, isn't it? Yes, it is.
- The earth is bigger than the sun, isn't it? **No, it isn't!**
- Asian people don't like rice, do they? **Yes, they do!**
- Elephants live in Europe, don't they? **No, they don't!**
- Men don't have babies, do they? No, they don't.
- The English alphabet doesn't have 40 letters, does it? **No, it doesn't.**



Source: <http://www.englishclub.com/grammar/verbs-questions-tag.htm>

Napassawan

FUN WITH ENGLISH

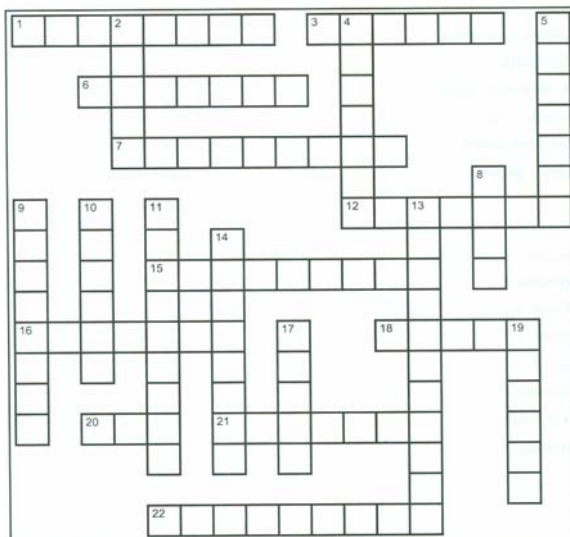
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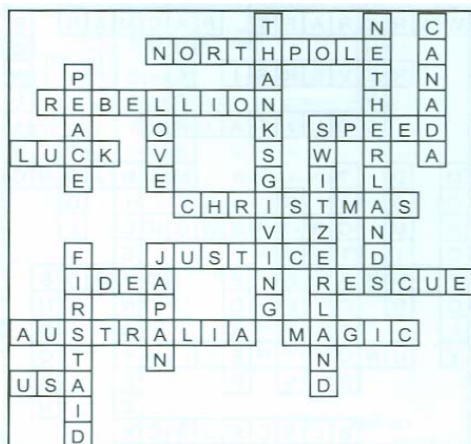
- 1 Tides of Darkness, Of Blood and Honor
 3 Ghosts, Cherries, Strawberry, etc.
 6 Also known as Othello
 7 Also known as Patience
 12 Dots, Bamboos, Characters, Wind, Dragon, Flower
 15 Word Puzzle
 16 Flippers, bumpers, slingshots
 18 Spade, heart, diamond, club
 20 Draw two, Skip, Reverse, Wild Draw Four
 21 Livin' Large, House Party, Vacation
 22 Also known as Twenty-one, Pontoon

Down

- 2 King, rook, queen, pawn, knight, and bishop
 4 Roll in the hay = Thrill a honey
 5 Pin and Lane
 8 Pocket Billiards
 9 Rich Uncle Pennybags
 10 Pizza
 11 Also known as noughts and crosses, hugs and kisses
 13 "one-Mississippi, two-Mississippi..."
 14 Casino and Gambling Wheel
 17 Combination of cards (a hand), and the name of a card game
 19 'Suji wa dokushin ni kagiru' or 'the digits must occur only once'



Answers no.1



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