

Listening & Speaking Resources

Free Listening Practice

Voice of America - Learning English

News and stories in slow, clear English.

Access: <https://learningenglish.voanews.com/>

Features: - News at three levels - Video and audio content - Transcripts available - Daily updates

ESL Lab (Randall's ESL Cyber Listening Lab)

Listening exercises with comprehension quizzes.

Access: <https://www.esl-lab.com/>

Levels: - Easy (everyday conversations) - Medium (general topics) - Difficult (academic/professional)

TED Talks with Subtitles

Authentic English presentations with transcripts.

Access: <https://www.ted.com/talks>

Benefits: - Real-world English - Diverse accents - Subtitles in multiple languages - Transcripts available

BBC Learning English

British English listening materials.

Access: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish>

Features: - 6-Minute English podcasts - News review videos - Grammar and vocabulary videos

Speaking Practice

English Speaking Practice Apps

- HelloTalk (language exchange)
 - Speaky (conversation partners)
 - Tandem (language exchange)
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Pronunciation Resources

Sounds of English: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish/english/features/pronunciation>

Forvo: <https://forvo.com/> (pronunciation dictionary)

Conversation Topics for Practice

Everyday Situations

- Introducing yourself
- Ordering food
- Asking for directions
- Making appointments
- Shopping conversations

Workplace Conversations

- Job interviews
- Meeting colleagues
- Phone calls
- Email follow-ups
- Presentations

The Dream Academy - ESL Library