



What Are the Benefits and Challenges of One-to-One English Lessons?

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Purpose

One-to-one lessons can be highly personalised because the teacher can respond closely to one learner's goals, interests, level and emerging language. The challenge is that all interaction depends on two people, so variety, pacing and the teacher-learner relationship matter a great deal.

Try this in your next lesson

What does this learner need English for this week?

Our suggested routine

- ☐ What does this learner need English for this week?
- ☐ How much of the lesson will the learner speak?
- ☐ Where will the pace change?
- ☐ What language do I want them to leave with?
- ☐ Can one activity connect directly to their work, interests or life?
- ☐ What can the learner do independently after the lesson?

After the attempt

What worked? What needs another model or a smaller step? Note one change for next time.

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