



The Missing Key to Learning English

Do you ever feel like something is missing in your English education?

It's like when you're trying to prepare one of your Grandmother's old recipes. You want it to taste just like she made it – but you can't remember all the ingredients.

You do the best you can – then you taste it...

But something's missing.

Something's missing and you can't put your finger on it.

You've probably had the same feeling while trying to learn English.

Continue reading to find out why...

Where do English problems come from?

Let me ask you a question:

Who's responsible for your learning English?

Is it your teacher?

Your English course?

The university you went to?

The place you were born?

How you grew up?

I've been living in Turkey for almost 6 years now – and these are the most common reasons for English problems that I've heard:

- My school didn't have good English education.
- I didn't go to an English Speaking University.
- I never had the chance to study abroad – I live in Turkey!

- I'm very busy with my job. I don't have enough time.
- I don't have a 'talent' for learning English.
- I don't know where to start – I don't know what to do.

All of these are POSSIBLE reasons you don't speak English as well as you want to.

And – I AGREE with you!

Many of these reasons probably have affected your English learning.

- It's true – the English education in your school may not have been very good – or it may not have been enough. Probably – there was too much writing and memorization – not enough speaking and communication.
- Yes – some people have the opportunity to go to an English-speaking university or study abroad – and of course – this gives them an advantage.
- You might have gone to an English course – but they didn't teach you using the right methods. They probably used UNREALISTIC lesson books – and forced you to memorize grammar rules. They probably didn't tell you what you really needed to do to improve your speaking.
- I understand how busy you are. Your workload is heavy – you have to deal with traffic – and you have obligations to your friends and family.
- Talent? If someone told you that you didn't have talent – or if you've experienced failure in your efforts to learn English – it's easy to feel like you might not have the right 'talent'.
- Not knowing what to do is maybe the most common problem. There are so many choices between different courses, methods and systems – it's really difficult to know where to start.

Now – before I go on – I want to make it clear that I'm not saying these things aren't important.

All of these are 'valid' reasons – up to a certain point.

But now – I want to talk about...

“The Elephant in the Room”

“The Elephant in the Room” is an English idiom that means: “The obvious subject that nobody wants to talk about.”

From my experience teaching English for the past 6 years – I've learned the following valuable truth:

The most powerful thing a person can do to improve their English is

to take responsibility for their own learning.

If you decide – right now – that you and only you are responsible for learning English and improving your speaking, I guarantee that you will experience TREMENDOUS progress in the coming weeks and months – and you'll be a completely different person one year from now.

After you make this decision – follow these steps to make it permanent:

1. Leave the past behind – Your previous education, schools, university and courses probably weren't ideal – but none of that matters now. It's not too late – you can start improving your English today.
2. Give yourself 30 minutes a day – Even if you are extremely busy, you can wake up 10 minutes earlier – spend 10 minutes in the morning – 10 minutes at lunch – and 10 minutes in the evening learning new sentences and practicing your English.
3. WORK! – Accept that you will run into some problems – and commit yourself to overcoming them. When you can't understand something – or you don't understand what to do – do something! Don't stand still – keep moving forward.

What about talent?

Is it true that some people have a better ability to learn a foreign language than others?

Maybe – but I don't think so. I've seen people from every kind of different background learn English – educated and uneducated – rich and poor. AND – I've seen people who thought they had no talent become EXCELLENT English speakers.

BUT – if you say you don't have talent for learning English – how can you take responsibility for learning English?

You can't. And – as I've said before – taking responsibility for learning English is the most powerful thing you can do.

Where to start

So – you've made the decision to take full responsibility for your English learning. Now – where should you begin?

Not an easy question!

There are so many choices for programs, schools and courses – it's difficult to know where to begin.

In fact – that's one of the reasons that I first started [intellenglish.com](http://www.intellenglish.com).

I looked around and saw lots of English courses in Istanbul – but very few people learning English.

I also experienced how difficult it was to start learning a new language – especially a language that is very different from your mother tongue!

My best advice to you is:

1. Learn English one sentence at a time.
2. AND – learn with your ears!

If you have learned only one sentence in English – Great! Now repeat the process – and learn a 2nd sentence and a 3rd, etc...

Make sure you learn complete sentences – AND learn with your ears. Don't learn by reading – learn by listening.

Two programs that are great for this are:

1. [SuperFast Speaking](#) – for beginners and intermediate students
2. And the [Original Effortless English Lessons](#) – for upper-intermediate and advanced

Why do I recommend these programs?

First of all – I wish I had programs like these when I was learning Turkish. It would have been MUCH easier.

Second – both of these programs are very reasonable compared to normal English courses. AND – they both come with a Money-Back Guarantee.

Honestly – I strongly believe that English Education should not be something only for the rich – and these 2 programs make it easy for anyone to get started on improving their English.

Remember – it's not your course, your school, your teacher, or even these 2 programs that are ultimately responsible for your learning English.

Your success depends on how much responsibility you take and how you use your resources!

What You Should Do Right Away

1. If this article inspired you – share it! Email it to a friend – or even better share it on Facebook.
2. Take the first step today – Purchase [SuperFast Speaking](#) or [Original Effortless English](#). If you already own one of them – study one lesson today – even for only 10 minutes!