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EVOLVE is a six-level American English course for adults and young adults, taking students from beginner to advanced levels (CEFR A1 to C1).

Drawing on insights from language teaching experts and real students, EVOLVE is a general English course that gets students speaking with confidence.

This student-centered course covers all skills and focuses on the most effective and efficient ways to make progress in English.

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Student-generated content

EVOLVE is the first course of its kind to feature real student-generated content. We spoke to over 2,000 students from all over the world about the topics they would like to discuss in English and in what situations they would like to be able to speak more confidently.

The ideas are included throughout the Student's Book and the students appear in short videos responding to discussion questions.

INSIGHT

Research shows that achievable speaking role models can be a powerful motivator.

CONTENT

Bite-sized videos feature students talking about topics in the Student's Book.

RESULT

Students are motivated to speak and share their ideas.

"It's important to provide learners with interesting or stimulating topics."

Teacher, Mexico (Global Teacher Survey, 2017)

CLASSROOM LANGUAGE

1.02 Asking for help

How do you say that in English?

What does _____ mean?

How do you spell _____?

How do you pronounce this word?

Sorry, can you repeat that, please?

Sorry, I don't understand.

Working in pairs and groups

Who wants to start?

Who wants to go first?

Whose turn is it?

It's my turn.

It's your turn.

OK. What do you have for number 1?

Let's compare answers.



UNIT OBJECTIVES

■ talk about the people in your life

■ talk about possessions

■ greet people and start a conversation

■ introduce yourself in an email

■ talk about what you have in common

CONNECTIONS

1



START SPEAKING

A Look at the picture. What is the connection between the people? What are some different ways people are connected? Read the list and add two more.

family friends work/school

B Think about a famous actor in your country: how many connections do you have between you and him/her? You can use your phone to help you.

C Are you a very social person in general? Do you have connections with a lot of different people? For ideas, watch Alessandra's video.

REAL STUDENT



Are you the same as Alessandra?



Find it



FIND IT

INSIGHT

Research with hundreds of teachers and students across the globe revealed a desire to expand the classroom and bring the real world in.

CONTENT

Find it are smartphone activities that allow students to bring live content into the class and personalize the learning experience with research and group activities.

RESULT

Students engage in the lesson because it is meaningful to them.

Designed for success

2 REAL-WORLD STRATEGY

SHOWING INTEREST AND SURPRISE

You can use some common expressions to show interest and surprise.

Wow! Seriously?
Is it really? / Are you really?

1.07

Read about showing interest and surprise in the box above. Use the expressions there to complete the conversation below. Listen to the full conversation and check.

A Do you know anybody here?
B No, I don't. I'm pretty new to this city, too.
A ¹ _____? A new city and a new job – that's a lot! Well, that's Mr. Patel. He's the boss. His office is across from your desk.
B ² _____? That's good to know.

B **PAIR WORK** Practice the conversation from exercise 2A, above.

3 PRONUNCIATION: Saying /l/ at the end of a word

A **1.08** Listen. Focus on the /l/ sounds. Practice saying the words.

1 You look wonderful. 2 Beautiful weather, isn't it? 3 How do you know Rachel?

B **1.09** Listen. Who pronounces the /l/ sound at the end of the words clearly? Write A or B.

1 beautiful B 3 full _____ 5 people _____
2 bottle _____ 4 girl _____ 6 couple _____

C **PAIR WORK** Say the words in exercise B to your partner. Does your partner say the /l/ sound?

4 SPEAKING

A **PAIR WORK** Read the situations. Then put the conversations in order. Read them with a partner.

Situation 1: You're at a conference. Greet people you don't know.

☐ Good to meet you, too. Do you know anybody here?
☐ I'm Diana Reyes. Great to meet you.
☐ No, it's my first time at this conference.
☒ Hello. I'm Daniel Santiago.


Situation 2: You arrive at a coffee shop to meet people you know.

☐ I know! Great to see you again!
☒ Hi, Akram.
☐ Yeah, you, too. Hey, this is a nice place.
☐ Hi, Lola. Long time, no see!
☐ Yeah, isn't it?

B Choose one of the conversations and add more to it. Use the language from this lesson. Then act out your conversation for the class.

INSIDER ENGLISH

pretty = beautiful
That's a pretty little house.
pretty + adjective = very
That's pretty good. (That's very good.)



Pronunciation

INSIGHT

Research shows that only certain aspects of pronunciation actually affect comprehensibility and inhibit communication.

CONTENT

EVOLVE focuses on the aspects of pronunciation that most affect communication.

RESULT

Students understand more when listening and can be clearly understood when they speak.

Insider English

INSIGHT

Even in a short exchange, idiomatic language can inhibit understanding.

CONTENT

Insider English focuses on the informal language and colloquial expressions frequently found in everyday situations.

RESULT

Students are confident in the real world.

1.1

WE'RE FAMILY

LESSON OBJECTIVE

■ talk about the people in your life

1 VOCABULARY: Describing people you know

A 1.02 Look at the pictures. Listen and say the words. Who do you see every day?

neighbors

classmates

close friends

couple

girlfriend

boyfriend

boss

grandchildren

grandson

granddaughter

roommates

B Now do the vocabulary exercises for 1.1 on page 141.

C PAIR WORK Make five true sentences with five words from exercise 1A. Tell your partner.

2 LANGUAGE IN CONTEXT

A Look at the picture of Cecilia. Who are the people in her life? Who's in her family? Check (✓) the boxes.

These are my classmates. That's Kiko and Luis on the left. They're from different countries, but we all study English.

Here are my brother and sister. Their names are Jose Luis and Yvonne. This is an old photo.

I have more than 200 friends on Facebook, but they're not close friends. Many people are coworkers or school friends.

This is Marta. We're close friends. She's a student in Puebla.

My name's Cecilia, and I'm from Puebla, in Mexico. I'm an English student now, in Bakersfield, California. These are the people in my life.

People always ask, "Is he your boyfriend?" No, he's not! He's my neighbor, Marcos, and he's a friend.

B Match the names with their connection to Cecilia.

1 Yvonne

2 Marta

3 Kiko and Luis

4 Jose Luis

5 Marcos

a neighbor

b close friend

c sister

d classmates

e brother

3 GRAMMAR: be; possessive adjectives

A Complete the rules below. Use the sentences in the grammar box to help you.

1 I'm from Puebla. I'm = I am

2 They're not close friends. You can also say: They close friends.

3 Is he your boyfriend? To answer, you can say: Yes, he is. or No, he

I'm from Puebla.

She's a student in Puebla.

We're close friends.

I'm not from Bakersfield.

He's not my boyfriend.

They're not close friends.

Am I late?

Is he your classmate?

Are you my new neighbor?

B Complete the spaces with the correct possessive adjective. Use the sentences in the grammar box to help you.

I my , you , he , she , it , we , they .

Possessive adjectives

He's my brother.

What's your name?

His name's Jose Luis.

Her name's Marta.

The dog hurt its foot.

They are our neighbors.

He is their son.

C Now go to page 129. Look at the grammar chart and do the grammar exercise for 2.1.

D GROUP WORK Use the words to write questions. Then read the Accuracy check box and check your work. Use the questions to find out more about your classmates.

1 his / what's / name / ? What's his name?

2 from / is / where / she / ?

3 is / name / her / Maria / ?

4 they / from / are / Argentina / ?

5 our / is / teacher / American / ?

6 are / from / where / parents / your / ?

4 SPEAKING

A Look at the picture of Cecilia and her connections on page 2. Make a similar picture for your life. Write the names of your connections. Watch Seung Geyoung's video.

B PAIR WORK Ask and answer questions about your pictures. You can show photos of the people on your phone.

Who is Rogelio? He's a coworker at my office.

Are Bob and Vera your parents? Yes, they are.

REAL STUDENT

What family members does she say? Are they the same as your family?

2

3

ACCURACY CHECK

Possessive adjectives agree with the possessor.

This is a photo of my wife with ~~their~~ parents. X

This is a photo of my wife with her parents. ✓

Accuracy check

INSIGHT

Some common errors can become fossilized if not addressed early on in the learning process.

CONTENT

Accuracy check highlights common learner errors (based on unique research into the Cambridge Learner Corpus) and can be used for self-editing.

RESULT

Students avoid common errors in their written and spoken English.

"The presentation is very clear and there are plenty of opportunities for student practice and production."

Jason Williams, Teacher, Notre Dame Seishin University, Japan

1.4

EMAIL INTRODUCTIONS

LESSON OBJECTIVE

introduce yourself in an email

1

READING

A

PAIR WORK

How many emails do you write in a month? Why do you write them? Do you write emails in English? Tell your partner.

B

READ FOR MAIN IDEAS

Read the email and choose the main idea.

☐ He wants a job.

☐ He wants information about food.

☐ He wants cooking lessons.

To: d.cooper@btinternet.net

From: d.cooper@btinternet.net

Subject:

1

2

3

4

5

6

Hi Dave,

I am Chris. Your daughter is my classmate. I want a job for the summer. Can I work in your restaurant?

I love food. I cook dinner for my family every day. I do great things with lamb and chicken. My favorite food is meat.

I can cook for you tomorrow. Call me at 212-555-9620.

See you later!

Chris

C

READ FOR DETAIL

There are problems with Chris's email. Read the comments (A-F) and match them with the correct part of the email.

A

What is your email about? You need a subject!

B

Begin a formal sentence with Dear Ms. / Mrs. / Mr. (last name) or just Dear Hiring Manager or Dear (job title). It's not a good idea to begin with Hello, Hi, or Dear Friend. You're not a friend!

C

End the email with Best wishes or All the best and write your full name.

D

A funny email address is OK for friends but not for people you don't know.

E

Check your writing before you send your email.

F

Don't use emojis in a formal email.

D

Read the Register check box and correct the problem in Chris's email.

E

1.10

PAIR WORK

THINK CRITICALLY

Listen to Dave's response to Chris's email. Does Dave offer Chris a job? Why not? What research do you need to do before you ask someone for a job? Discuss with your partner.

REGISTER CHECK

In formal writing I want ...

A polite way to say what you want is I would like ...

2

WRITING

A

Read the email. Does the writer follow the advice from the comments on page 8?

B

WRITING SKILLS

Look at the email again and circle the capital letters. Write the words with capital letters.

a

pronoun (I, you, he, she, etc.)

b

the beginning of a sentence

c

names (people and organizations)

d

titles (Mr., Dr., Prof.)

e

places (countries, nationalities, towns)

f

days of the week, months

C

Rewrite the email below with capital letters in the correct places.

dear ms. all,

my name is amanda barron. i work with your sister at first city bank in salvador. now i would like a new job.

can we meet on tuesday and talk about your company?

sincerely,

amanda barron

D

Think of a situation and write a formal email to someone you don't know. Include a connection to someone you both know and the reason for writing. Look at the examples in this lesson for help.

E

PAIR WORK

Exchange emails with another student. Write a reply.

WRITE IT

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Your daughter Abigail is my classmate at the University of Toronto.

In October and November every year, students in our class do an internship. I would like to do an internship in your company, Grallen Technologies. I attach my résumé to this email.

Thank you very much for your time.

Best wishes,

Lily Martin

GLOSSARY

internship (n) a period of time that a young person works in a company to get experience in a job

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REGISTER CHECK

In formal writing, don't write I want ...

A polite way to say what you want is I would like ...

Register check

INSIGHT

Teachers report that their students often struggle to master the differences between written and spoken English.

CONTENT

Register check draws on research into the Cambridge English Corpus and highlights potential problem areas for learners.

RESULT

Students transition confidently between written and spoken English and recognize different levels of formality as well as when to use them appropriately.

You spoke. We listened.

Students told us that speaking is the most important skill for them to master, while teachers told us that finding speaking activities which engage their students and work in the classroom can be challenging. That's why EVOLVE has a whole lesson dedicated to speaking: Lesson 5, *Time to speak*.

Time to speak

INSIGHT

Speaking ability is how students most commonly measure their own progress, but is also the area where they feel most insecure. To be able to fully exploit speaking opportunities in the classroom, students need a safe speaking environment where they can feel confident, supported, and able to experiment with language.

CONTENT

Time to Speak is a unique lesson dedicated to developing speaking skills and is based around immersive tasks which involve information sharing and decision making.

RESULT

Time to speak lessons create a buzz in the classroom where speaking can really thrive, evolve, and take off, resulting in more confident speakers of English.

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TIME TO SPEAK

Things you have in common

LESSON OBJECTIVE

■ talk about what you have in common

A

DECIDE

Answer the questions with what you think. (Answers are at the bottom of the page.) Are you surprised?

1 Imagine you have a group of 23 people. What is the probability that two people have the same birthday?
a 50% b 23% c 0.056%

2 Imagine you have a group of 30 people. What is the probability that two people have the same birthday?
a 25% b 70% c 4%

3 Now imagine you have 60 people. What is the probability that two people have the same birthday?
a 50% b 10% c 99%

B

AGREE

Think of your answers to the questions below. Then ask and answer the questions in a small group. When you have something in common with another person, put a check (✓).

When is your birthday?

How many brothers and sisters do you have?

What is your favorite possession?

Are you the first/second/third-born child?

What city are your parents from?

Where are your grandparents from?

What's in your bag?

Who's your favorite famous person?

How many friends do you have on Facebook?

C

Count the checks in your group. Tell the class what you and the others in the group have in common. How many people have the same birthday in your group? In the class?

D

DISCUSS

Work in groups of four. Find more things you have in common and write the information below. Use the questions and phrases at the bottom of the page to help you.

1 Everyone _____

2 Three people _____

3 Two people _____

4 One person _____

E

PRESENT

Read your sentences to the class. Don't say the names! Can they guess who the people are?

Answers: 1 a 2 b 3 c

➤ To check your progress, go to page 153. ➤

USEFUL PHRASES

✓

DECIDE

I think ...
Because ...
Do you agree?

🤝

AGREE

Me, too! / Same here!
Not me. / I don't.

🗣️

DISCUSS

What's your favorite ... ?
Do you like ... ?
What's your ... called?
How many ... do you have?

👤

Do you have a/an ... ?
When is ... ?
Where are your ... from?

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