

1. What are your associations with the phrase ‘The English language’?

- widely spoken language
- the language of communication
- necessary for success in business
- the main foreign language
- a global language
- up-to-date language

2. Is it useful to learn foreign languages ?

The knowledge of foreign languages is the must of the day
It is the most widely spoken language in the world
It is necessary to communicate with foreigners
It is necessary for success in business
It is useful for tourists
It is necessary if you want to be better-qualified

3. Is English really an international language?

English language is very popular now in many countries
English is the language of international communication.
English has become a global language
It's used as an international language of sport competitions, music festivals or some other international meetings.

4. the mother tongue – the first language a person speaks
The official language is used in government, in schools

5. the countries where English is spoken as the first language

United Kingdom	The Bahamas	Guyana
Canada	Barbados	Australia
Eire	Jamaica	New Zealand
The USA	Trinidad	

6. Why do you study English?

I study English as I want

- to study at the university (college)
- to communicate with people of the world
- to do business
- to understand films and songs in English
- to get a better job
- to like the language
- to want to live in an English-speaking country
- to travel abroad
- it gives a chance to meet new people

7. Listening

A. Are the following statements true or false?

1. The person from Japan is a doctor.
2. The meeting is in Europe.
3. English is the first language of nearly 600 million people.
4. English is useful for international communication.
5. Many papers in special fields are in English.
6. All specialists learn English.

B. Fill the blanks with the correct prepositions.

1. He is a doctor _____ medicine.
2. They are _____ an international meeting.
3. He wants to communicate _____ them.
4. Millions _____ people _____ the world use English.
5. Half _____ these people speak English as their first language.
6. Many books _____ special fields are _____ English.
7. He is a specialist _____ the field of medicine.
8. There were specialists _____ different countries at the meeting.

8. **What are the most difficult aspects of English for you?**

The most difficult aspect for me is grammar(tenses, articles, prepositions)

The most difficult in learning English for me is listening comprehension (retelling texts)

9. **Why is pronunciation so important?**

It influences the understanding

what can the wrongly pronounced word provoke?

They provoke misunderstanding

10. **What are the idioms used for?**

Idioms make the speech more precise, more exact

They help to show emotions

11. **Phrasal verbs**

Return, usually to your home

- *get back*

Say unkind and unfair things to or criticize somebody

- *get at somebody*

Begin doing smth seriously

- *get down to doing smth*

Manage to continue your way of life

- *get by*

Have a friendly relationship with someone

- *get on with somebody*

Arrive somewhere

- *get to*

Have problems

- *get into trouble*

Find time to do something

- *get round to doing smth*

Match the parts

1. It took him ages to get his point of view across.

A) to have a success in one's career

2. Get me up at seven, would you ?

B) to feel well again after an illness or difficult situation

3. Don's pretty upset but he'll get over it.

C) to take or leave a bus/train, etc.

4. She soon found that it wasn't easy to get ahead in the movie business.

D) to explain smth, succeed in communicating ideas

5. He got on a wrong bus and soon had to get off it.

E) to wake up and leave one's bed

12. Insert the word

risk, enjoy, don't mind, advise, makes, need, has offered, fail, helps, refuses, want, suggest

I ____ learning vocabulary by listening to songs in English. I _____ listening to songs several times and writing the words down. I often ____ to look up words in the dictionaries and sometimes, when I get stuck, I ask my teacher. She ____ to work with me on a song if I don't have the lyrics. We listen to the song together and if I ____ to get the word or line, she ____ me to understand it. She often ____ me listen to one bit a few times. She only ____ to listen to hip hop. If you want to do the same as me, I _____ listening to singers like David Gray and Norah Jones because you can actually hear the words. I don't ____ you to listen to heavy metal because the lyrics often don't mean much and you _____ learning incorrect grammar forms!

13. **Do you agree that English makes the world smaller?**

English makes people closer, it stimulates communication

It takes borders away

It gives people a chance to travel all over the world

14. **Song**

Insert the words: Hopes, smile, world, small, sun, after all, moon, oceans

It's a ____ of laughter, a world or tears

its a world of _____, its a world of fears

there is so much that we share that its time we're aware

its a small world after all

its a ____ world after all

its a small world after all

its a small world _____

its a small, small world

There is just one ___and one golden ___
And a ___means friendship to everyone.
Though the mountains divide
And the ___are wide
It's a small small world