1 Vocabulary learning

A Help with reading

ADVICE FOR READING

When you're reading in a **foreign** language, you should first try to understand the **basic** meaning of the text. You will meet vocabulary you don't **recognize**, but you can often **go through** the text again later to look at this. If so, try this:

- **Identify** the new words and phrases which seem to be important. Try to **guess** the meaning from the **context**, and/or use a dictionary.
- **Keep a record** of the words in a notebook, and if possible write down any special information. For example, is the word **formal** or **informal**? Is it followed by a particular preposition?
- Write a **translation** if you think it helps; sometimes it isn't necessary.

GLOSSARY

foreign	from a country that is not your own. A person from another country is a **foreigner.**
basic	most important and necessary
recognize	know what sth is or who sb is because you have seen or heard them before
go through sth	read sth carefully from beginning to end
identify	recognize and decide what sth is
guess	give an answer to sth without being sure of the facts **have a guess** *n*
context	the words before and after a new word/phrase that help you to understand the meaning
keep a record of sth	write sth down to help you remember it
formal	We use **formal** language to appear serious or official, or in some situations where we don't know people well. OPP **informal**
translation	text that has been changed from one language into another **translate** *v*

1 Replace the underlined words with a single word that has a similar meaning.

▶ I understood the most important and necessary ideas. basic

1 We couldn't recognize and decide what language they were speaking. .....

2 I think he was using very serious and official language. .....

3 He's from another country. .....

4 You can guess the meaning from the words before and after the new word. .....

5 There was a text that I had to change from one language into another. .....

6 I replied without really knowing the answer. .....

2 Complete the dialogues.

▶ Is *'How do you do'* formal ? ~ Yes, we usually just say ***hello***.

1 Did you understand the exercise the first time? ~ No, but we ..... it again later.

2 Did you understand everything? ~ No, but I got the ..... meaning.

3 Did you ..... all the students in the photo? ~ No, I didn't know one or two of them.

4 Were there many ..... in the group? ~ No, the people were all from this country.

5 Is there a difference between ***hello*** and ***hi***? ~ Yeah, ***hi*** is more ..... .

6 Did you know the answer? ~ No, I had a ..... .

3 Complete the sentences. ABOUT YOU

▶ When you read a text in English, do you usually go through it a second time? .....

1 Do you often try to guess the meaning of new words from the ..... ? .....

2 Do you keep a ..... of new words in a notebook? .....

3 Do you write down the meaning in English, or do you write a ..... ? .....

4 Do you make a note of special information? For example, a note about the pronunciation, or whether a word is formal or ..... ? .....

5 Do you often ..... a word without being able to remember the meaning? .....

4 ABOUT YOU **Write your answers to Exercise 3, or talk to another student.**

TEST YOURSELF

LIVEWORKSHEETS

B Help with speaking and listening

- In a **conversation** in English, ask people to **repeat** words you don't understand, and **explain** the meaning if necessary.
- **Repetition** of new words using the APP will help you to remember them, and how to **pronounce** them.
- One **function** of the app is to help you pronounce new words, and repetition of these words will help you to remember them.
- Look for **opportunities** to practise new vocabulary. Don't be afraid to **experiment with** language, and don't worry about **making mistakes.**
- It's important to **revise** new vocabulary. If not, you may forget it quite quickly.
- Remember: there isn't just one correct **method** of learning vocabulary. Do what **works** for you.

GLOSSARY

repeat	say sth again **repetition** *n*
explain	tell sb sth in a way that makes it clear or easy to understand **explanation** *n*
pronounce	make the sound of a word or letter **pronunciation** *n*
function	the purpose or job that sth is designed to do
opportunity	a time when it is possible to do sth that you want to do SYN **chance**
experiment with sth	try sth to see what result it has
make mistakes	(NOT ~~*do mistakes*~~)
revise	study sth again **do revision** *n*
method	a way of doing sth
work	get or have the result you want: *I tried speaking slowly but it didn't* **work.**

SPOTLIGHT *conversation, discussion, argument*

A **conversation** is a talk between two or more people.
A **discussion about something** is when you talk about something seriously. **discuss** *v.*
An **argument** is a discussion in which people disagree, often angrily. **argue** *v*

5 Write the noun forms, then underline the main stress on both verbs and nouns. Use the APP to help you. Practise saying the words.

▶ discuss discussion
1 repeat .....
2 pronounce .....
3 explain .....
4 revise .....
5 argue .....

6 Circle the correct answer.

▶ An argument is a conversation in which people *agree* / *disagree*.
1 If you revise something, you *say it again* / *study it again*.
2 If something works, it is *successful* / *difficult*.
3 If you experiment with something, you *try to do something* / *find something*.
4 You can *do* / *make* a mistake.
5 We had a *conversation* / *discussion* about politics in class yesterday. It got quite serious.
6 A method is *an opportunity to do something* / *a way of doing something*.
7 If you explain something, you make it easy to *say* / *understand*.
8 If you make a mistake, you get something *wrong* / *right*.
9 One *function* / *method* of a dictionary is to help you with the meanings of words.

7 Complete the sentences.

▶ We had a conversation on the phone last night.
1 I never know how to ..... the word *necessary*. Pronunciation is difficult.
2 My brother's got an ..... to work in Paris next year. Lucky him.
3 I have to do some ..... for my exam tomorrow.
4 I used a new method for cooking the rice and it really ..... . You must try it.
5 Do you think we'll have a ..... to revise before we take the test?
6 You won't know if you can use new words until you ..... with them.
7 Does ..... help you to remember new words?
8 I often have ..... with my parents. We disagree about most things.

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