

## "HOW TO INTEREST STUDENTS IN ENGLISH AT SCHOOL"

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Abstract One of the teachers' efforts to improve students' interest in English is learning English through games. The learning process by playing games can provide more interactive English learning atmosphere so that it is expected to improve the ability of students in vocabulary development. Learning through games can provide several benefits. First, what is learned by students is not only in the form of mere knowledge of reason but experienced in real terms; such experiences are difficult to forget. Second, the lessons provided are pleasantly accepted, because they are related to the nature of the game which is entertaining and joyful. Thus, the possibility of student rejection of what is taught can be minimized. Third, because the game is fun, playing at the same time generates great interest for students about certain things or topics. Based on the reasons, it is expected that through these fun activities that is games; students' interest in learning English can be improved.

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Are your students not engaging? How to get them to fall in love with English? How to engage your students and create a desire for English language learning. If these are some of your concerns, then this article will help you with the most engaging activities that will create an interest for English language among your students. Students not taking an interest in classes, saying they are bored or just not engaging is always very frustrating for teachers, especially when you always do your best to provide fun and informative lessons. Luckily there are lots of simple tricks and approaches which can liven up classes and help to engage even the most disengaged teenager. Small changes or additions to your classes can help all students to recognise the positives of English

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language learning and come to class feeling upbeat. In this article, we will discuss our 5 top tools for engaging those more difficult to reach students who just seem to be going through the motions and aren't really involved in their English classes. You can read through them all or just pick those you like the sound of.

Demonstrate the importance of English in your student's world

Get to know your classes.

Emotional deposits and how to use them

Activities do matter

Put yourself in your student's shoes.

So, let's get started and investigate a range of approaches for engaging students and ensuring they enjoy and get the most from their learning experiences.

1. Demonstrate the importance of English in your student's world

Many of your classes will be made up of young learners, adolescents or young adults who may be sent along to learn English by their parents or guardians. For many young people, they will already have some exposure to the language at school and may not see the point of additional classes or why learning English should concern them at all.

This is where our first tip can come in handy!

We suggest that you show students just how useful their English skills can be to them now and probably more importantly, in the future, thus increasing their focus, engagement and proving why being involved in classes is of benefit to them.

There are lots of easy ways to demonstrate this.

You could try focussing on future job possibilities which will be improved for those who are bilingual or have a grasp of a second language through conversation questions and mock interviews. (This is, of course, dependent on your classes' level).

Another more fun approach is to engage students in discussion or plan activities about why English will help them. For example, you could plan activities based on travel abroad to English-speaking countries to visit, study or work and perhaps model examples of application forms asking for English skills.

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A favourite for teens is to use https://lyricstraining.com to play around with the lyrics to popular English songs. Using this website you can show students that even if they have no plans to live or work abroad English can be useful for something as simple as understanding and singing along to the lyrics of their favourite bands or pop stars.

The main idea for our first tip is to show students the relevance of English in their lives and help them to see it as less of an alien concept and something they can 'buy' into a little more.

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