



FLUENCY MASTERY COURSE

with an U.S. Native Speaker

12 SESSIONS FOR 6 WEEKS JULY - AUG. 2024

AMERICAN ENGLISH FLUENCY MASTERY COURSE

with an American Native Speaker aimed at CEOs and other executives, actors and actresses, film production personnel, educators, trainers, motivational speakers and life coaches. The course will cover English philology, pronunciation, intonation, word stress, minimal pairs, idioms and phrasal verbs, the latest American acronyms and slang, practice dialogues, public speaking rehearsals, business negotiations, job interviewing, and fluency mastery.

Session 1: Introduction to English Philology & Pronunciation Basics

- Objective: Establish a solid foundation in the history and basics of American English pronunciation.
- Topics:
 - Overview of English Philology and its relevance to modern American English
 - Introduction to the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA)
 - Basic vowel and consonant sounds in American English
 - Common pronunciation mistakes and correction techniques
- Activities:
 - Listening exercises to distinguish different sounds
 - Pronunciation drills focusing on key vowels and consonants
 - Group discussion on the historical influences on American English

Sessions 2 & 3: Intonation, Word Stress, and Minimal Pairs

- Objective: Master the rhythm and melody of American English for clearer communication.
- Topics:
 - The role of intonation in expressing meaning
 - Stress patterns within words and sentences
 - Understanding and practicing minimal pairs to improve pronunciation
- Activities:
 - Intonation practice with various sentence types
 - Word stress exercises using common and complex words
 - Minimal pairs drills to refine pronunciation nuances
 - Group practice with feedback



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Sessions 4 & 5: Practice Dialogues and Public Speaking Rehearsals

- Objective: Enhance practical speaking skills through interactive dialogues and public speaking exercises.
- Topics:
 - Crafting natural and engaging dialogues
 - Techniques for effective public speaking and presentation
 - Overcoming public speaking anxiety
- Activities:
 - Paired practice with scripted and improvised dialogues
 - Public speaking exercises with peer feedback
 - Rehearsing short speeches or monologues

Sessions 6 & 7: Business Negotiations and Job Interviewing Skills

- Objective: Develop professional communication skills for business and job interview settings.
- Topics:
 - Strategies for successful business negotiations
 - Key phrases and techniques for job interviews
 - The art of persuasion and assertive communication
- Activities:
 - Role-playing business negotiation scenarios
 - Mock job interviews with personalized feedback
 - Group discussions on effective communication strategies

Sessions 8 & 9: Fluency Mastery

- Objective: Achieve fluid and coherent speech in various contexts.
- Topics:
 - Techniques to improve overall speech fluency
 - Overcoming speech blocks and hesitations
 - Connecting ideas smoothly in conversation
- Activities:
 - Fluency drills with challenging exercises
 - Storytelling sessions to practice coherent narration
 - Group discussions and debates to encourage spontaneous speaking



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Session 10: Idioms, Phrasal Verbs, and American Acronyms

- Objective: Enrich vocabulary with idioms, phrasal verbs, and current American acronyms.
- Topics:
 - Common American idioms and their meanings
 - Phrasal verbs in everyday and professional contexts
 - Popular American acronyms and their usage
- Activities:
 - Idiom and phrasal verb matching games
 - Creating sentences and short stories using idioms and phrasal verbs
 - Group activities to use new vocabulary in context

Session 11: The Latest American Slang and Cool Expressions

- Objective: Stay updated with contemporary American slang and expressions.
- Topics:
 - Introduction to popular and current slang terms
 - Appropriate usage of slang in conversation
- Activities:
 - Slang vocabulary quizzes
 - Role-playing scenarios using slang
 - Group discussions on the evolution of language and slang

Session 12: Week 8: Final Presentation and Comprehensive Review

- Objective: Consolidate learning and demonstrate improved voice and speech skills.
- Topics:
 - Review of key concepts from the course
 - Preparation for final presentations
 - Constructive feedback and future improvement strategies

Additional Resources

- **Reading Materials:** “American Accent Training” by Ann Coe, “Speak with Distinction” by Edith Skinner, “The Elements of Style” by Strunk and White
- **Online Tools:** Speech recognition apps for practice; Websites with pronunciation guides and exercises; Audio and video resources for listening practice



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Instructor's Role

- Provide personalized feedback and guidance
- Facilitate engaging and interactive sessions
- Ensure a supportive and encouraging learning environment

Assessment and Certification

- Weekly quizzes to assess understanding
- Participation in class activities
- Final presentation to demonstrate overall improvement
- Certificate of completion at the end of the course

This course is tailored to meet the needs of a diverse group of professionals, ensuring that each participant improves their voice and speech skills, gaining confidence and proficiency in various communication settings.