

Some helpful tips for language learners

- a. Take every opportunity to listen to, speak, read and write the language you are learning.
- b. Set aside a short time every day for learning words, phrases and structures - little and often is the most effective way.
- c. Aim to learn a certain number of new words and phrases each day.
- d. Consider making use of some of the following ways of learning words, phrases and structures.
 - Write lists – on paper or PC.
 - Write them on small cards for continuous reference.
 - Write them on sticky notes which can then be posted around home and/or workplace.
 - Draw mind maps.
 - Add them to sketches.
 - Record the words and phrases onto a cassette and play them back repeatedly.
 - Listen to audio or video recordings by native speakers of the language – this is very helpful also for pronunciation and intonation.
 - Make good use of the Internet and other e-opportunities.
- e. Set yourself short term goals for learning – you cannot learn everything at once.
- f. Remember that you will learn less when you are tired or distracted.
- g. Go back and revise earlier learning regularly for consolidation.
- h. Learn with a partner and help each other.
- i. Do not be concerned about making mistakes when learning – you will gain from your mistakes.
- j. Above all make your learning enjoyable and fun.