LEARNING STRATEGIES

Study English with Friends

Meet friends and study English together. You can repeat your English vocabulary, do your homework together and help each other with English grammar. And why not try one of our games on ego4u. Studying with friends simply is much more fun. It's also a good oportunity to exchange ideas on studying in general. Maybe your friends have found out about a good way of studying more effectively. Or, who knows, maybe you can advise your friends on this?

All for one and one for all.

English Gap-Filling Exercises

Make your own gap-filling exercises from English texts. Choose a short, interesting English text that is not too difficult (e.g. lyrics, text from your textbook, news, excerpt from a story/novel). Copy the text and delete some words in the copy, e.g.: prepositions, adjectives, verbs in a certain tense. Try to fill the gaps correctly and then take the original text to check your answers. This sure is more fun when doing it with friends. Everyone prepares a short text and gives a copy to the others, who will try to fill the gaps correctly. To make things a bit easier, you can provide the words in a different order or as a translation.

Practice makes perfect.

Don't overdo it!

Studying 15 minutes per day is more effective than studying 2 hours once every week. For a whole week, try studying 15 minutes each day. Not less. And definitively not more than that (even if you could). You will see that the following day, studying is much more fun, simply because you didn't push it to the limit the day before.

[Know when to stop before you start.

Motivation is half the Work

"Boring!" Well, that's definitely not the way it works. Try to find a positive aspect to studying. Why not watch your favourite film in English and write down some useful words or phrases that you want to remember. You could also read the lyrics of Top 10 songs and try to understand what they are about. Or check out celebrity sites and learn more about famous actors, bands and other stars. This sure is good for your vocabulary and on top of that- it's lots of fun.

Always look on the bright side of life.