

50 Phrases to improve your English conversation Skills



In this PDF, you'll discover essential English phrases that native speakers use in everyday conversations. These expressions will help you sound more natural and fluent, and they are organised into different contexts with examples for easy reference.

This resource is designed to complement your learning journey and can be used in conjunction with private tuition.

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Common phrases to ask how someone is

1 What's up?

Hey, **what's up?** It's been forever.

2 What's new?

What's new with you? How is your relationship going?

3 How's it going?

How's it going? I hear you have a new job.

4 How's everything?

How's everything? I haven't spoken to you in a while, I miss you.

5 How are things?

How are things? Is everything going well?

Common phrases to ask how someone is

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How is life?

How is life? Any news?

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How's life treating you?

How's life treating you? You seem happy.

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What have you been up to recently?

What have you been up to recently?
Anything exciting?

Common phrases to respond to when someone asks how you are

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I'm fine, thanks. How are you?

A: How's it going?

B: I'm fine, thanks. How are you?

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Pretty good

A: How's it going?

B: I'm fine, thanks. How are you?

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Same old, really

A: How's life treating you?

B: Same old, really.

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Not so great, really

A: How's life treating you?

B: Not so great, really.

Common phrases to respond to when someone asks how you are

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Could be better

A: How is life?

B: Could be better.

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Can't complain

A: How are things?

B: Can't complain

Common phrases to say thank you

15 **I really appreciate that/it**

Thanks for helping me study. **I really appreciate it.**

16 **I'm really grateful**

I'm really grateful that you referred me for this job.

17 **That's so kind of you**

That's so kind of you to offer me your last cookie.

18 **I owe you one/big time**

Thanks for covering my shift. **I owe you big time.**

Common phrases to say thank you

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You're most welcome

A: I really appreciate it!

B: You're most welcome.

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No worries!

A: I'm really grateful for everything you have done.

B: No worries!

21

My pleasure!

A: Thanks for helping me with the car.

I owe you big time.

B: My pleasure!

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Anytime!

A: I love the earrings you got me!

That's so kind of you.

B: Anytime!

Common phrases to ask for information

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Do you have any clue/idea?

Do you have any clue what's going on with Elena?

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You wouldn't happen to know _____, would you?

You wouldn't happen to know where the nearest bank is, would you?

25

I don't suppose you know _____

I don't suppose you know where Jack is.

Common phrases to say I don't know

26 **I have no idea**

I have no idea where the nearest bank is.

27 **I haven't got a clue**

I haven't got a clue where Jack is.

28 **Sorry, I can't help you there**

Sorry, I can't help you there. I also don't have any information.

29 **I'm not really sure!**

I'm not really sure when the exams are happening.

30 **I've been wondering the same thing/that too!**

I've been wondering the same thing.
Where is Jack?

Common phrases for agreeing

31 **Exactly**

Exactly! That's what I was saying before.

32 **Absolutely**

Absolutely! That French test was so hard.

33 **That's so true**

That's so true. She arrives early for school once in a blue moon.

34 **That's right**

That's right. It's extremely common to find spiders in Australia.

35 **I one hundred per cent agree**

I one hundred per cent agree It's raining cats and dogs. We should cancel the camping trip.

Common phrases for agreeing

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I one hundred per cent agree

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I couldn't agree more

I couldn't agree more. Everyday conversation is so important when learning a language. Finding tutors near you could help

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Tell me about it

Tell me about it. Finding someone to help you with a language is hard.

Common phrases for disagreeing

38 **I'm not sure about that**

I'm not sure about that. You can't rely on apps to become fluent faster in a language. You need English classes too.

39 **That's not how I see it**

That's not how I see it. English classes are so much fun.

40 **Not necessarily**

Not necessarily. Improving your English conversation skills can be exciting too.

41 **I can't agree with you there**

I can't agree with you there. You are barking up the wrong tree. I don't think he is the one that lied

Common phrases to end a conversation politely

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Well, it was lovely chatting with you

Well, it was lovely chatting with you.
I hope you have a good day.

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Right! I need to get going

Right! I need to get going, or I will be late for my tutoring session.

44

Right, I must be off

Right, I must be off. I have an English class assignment due tonight.

Common phrases for saying goodbye

45 **Speak soon**

I have to go now. Speak soon!

46 **Give my love to your family**

It was lovely seeing you. **Give my love to your family!**

47 **Bye bye**

Have a lovely time. Bye Bye!

48 **Take care**

I can't agree with you there. You are barking up the wrong tree. I don't think he is the one that lied

Common phrases for saying goodbye

49

Have a good one

I'm not sure about that. You can't rely on apps to become fluent faster in a language. You need English classes too.

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Talk to you later!

I'll call you tonight. Talk to you later!

We recommend using your free time to practise these common phrases, whether with an English tutor or by yourself. You will see how quickly you improve your English conversation skills. Did you know taking English speaking classes has a lot of benefits?

Tips to Practise English Conversation

Practise with a person:

The best way to remember these phrases is to have real conversations. You can try to find someone that you feel comfortable with that can correct you when you make mistakes. You might not feel comfortable speaking English with a friend when it's not your first language, so finding tutors giving English classes can help you to improve your conversation skills.

Join language exchange events:

In almost every city in the UK, there are language exchange meetups. **You can meet people** from all over the world while you improve your English conversation skills.

Practise by yourself:

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