

1. Introduction

So, do you want to study language, but you don't have a lot of time or don't want to waste money for the teacher? I have written this guide because I have the two factors above and would like to share knowledge and method. It helps me to improve English and I think it helps you to improve other language.

2. Key factors

First, you should understand that education is a long process. If you have patience, perseverance and motivation, you will have success. No one teacher helps you to learn language for two or six months. No one person can help you to increase vocabulary or comprehension of foreign words.

Second, you should use lessons regularly and systematically. Arrange your time for speaking with native speakers, learning new words, understanding grammar, writing essays, listening the radio or watching TV. Save your time and energy. Respect your partner.

Third, it will be hard, very hard. The process requires hard work above all else, but what do you think? You should work. Students study in linguistic universities for four or five years and then have an advanced level of language only.

Finally, predicting your question about how long should be education I have created a small table in the end of guide.

In conclusion, the level of language you want have depends on you only. I have published this methodic from my own experience and experiences of people who are learning with me. How interesting and fascinating this effort is depends more on your imagination.

3. Requirements

- Internet;
- Skype/ICQ;
- E-mail.

4. Prerequisite

- a. You should find a person who is interested in study your native language. There are a lot of place in the Internet where you can do it (forums, exchange sites, ICQ).
- b. Set a time to have a conversation with him. Set a report time for your essay. Of course, it should be a time convenient for both of you.
- c. Find grammar books or web sites with grammar where you will learn the rules.
- d. Imagine yourself using the language individually and think: "Yes, I can do it".

5. Methodic

Improve your vocabulary

I recommend creating a vocabulary or cards and write down the new words and phrases, which found out in the process of reading or conversation. Not all words, but most used in the native language only. Try to learn for 30-50 words during the week. Spend 30 minutes every day learning one and have the revision.

Improve your reading

Subscribe to news in the sites. Read books that are interesting. In the process of reading check new important words and write down in the vocabulary.

Improve your listening

I recommend starting to listen to the foreign languages as early as you can. Of course, you don't understand a lot of things, but your fear will disappear after the certain period. You should have a habit of listening to the language, new words and dialects. Spend one hour every day watching TV, listening to the radio or audio books when you go to work.

Improve your speaking

Practice, practice and practice. The more practice you have, the greater amount of effort will be. Choose one theme with your partner. Discuss it, create questions and answer them. Use new words in the conversation that you have already learn during the week.

Improve your writing

Writing is a very important thing. If you can construct sentences well, you will speak well and correctly because writing is harder than speaking and takes more time.

Write with your partner one or two small essays once a week about everything (300-400 words). Choose the themes of the essays in turn. Each of you checks the errors of the opponent and corrects theirs. It is shows the weak areas in which you have problems (small vocabulary, areas of grammar, sentences construction, idiomatic phrase). Read the grammar book and improve your knowledge.

Typical scheduling

The table showed an example of typical day that you can accept.

Time	Listening	Vocabulary	Reading	Writing	Speaking
08.40-09.30	+				
12.30-13.00		+			
19.00-20.00			+		
20.00-22.00				+**	
21.00-23.00					+**

+** - Two or three times in a week.

Summation

The main point to study language is that you should improve the areas above concurrently. Don't get frustrated, don't get nervous, and don't be afraid. Love and work with your errors, revise and understand them. Your partner has the same problems as you. Work together and work individually. You will have success.

6. Final note

Level	No. of hours in a week	No. of words	Period of time from initial point	Grammar
Basic	6-8	500	5 months	Initial
Pre-Intermediate	6-8	1500	10 months	Initial+
Intermediate	4-6	2000-2500	1 year	Main
Up-Intermediate	4	3000-3500	1,5 year	Main+
Advanced	3	>5000	2-3 years	Enlarge