



## How to Improve My English Outside of Class

There is a huge choice of free internet sites that offer a wide range of elearning opportunities. It's easy to get lost in the world wide web so ask your teacher about the ones that would be best suited to you. Click on the links to go directly to the web page. The sites and apps listed below are all free.

Check out our [Keep up in English](#) and Resources pages on the [Grant & Bates website](#): We post regular selections of articles, podcasts, exercises picked for you. Subscribe to receive regular updates.

### **Easy**

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***Listen, read, study grammar, learn vocabulary***

[Breaking News English](#) listen and read articles about current events

[VOA Learning English](#) American English, current events, articles & grammar videos

[BBC Learning English](#) British English: very complete site with audio or video + text

[The British Council](#): Listen & watch, grammar

### **Grammar**

[Perfect English Grammar](#) a very complete site with clear explanations and exercises

[English Club](#) online grammar lessons & exercises, listening, reading

### **Intermediate**

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***Designed for learners of English***

[Randall's Cyber Listening Lab](#) Very short dialogues about everyday situations

[Business English Pod](#), audio dialogues in business context

### **Pronunciation:**

It's ok to have an accent! It's part of who we are. What's important is that people understand you. [Rachel's English](#) Detailed explanations of the different sounds of American pronunciation

### **Not just for English learners**

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[TED Talks](#) large choice of conferences, many different accents, , subtitles and transcripts available

[Harvard Business Review](#) –short videos, interviews, business ideas...

[Scientific American](#), science news, articles, audio and video podcasts. Only have a minute? Try audio podcast [60-Second Science](#)

[YouTube](#) Watch any video with subtitles in English, French... Change the language selection to English (US or UK) at the bottom of the home page.

If you are lost in what to look for on YouTube, here are some suggestions

[In a Nutshell](#) short videos about science – British accent

[BBC](#) – For advanced levels. It's not just news! Explore the different sections such as Worklife, Travel, Sport, Culture. Articles often have videos embedded in them.

[CNN](#) Mostly news, American & British accents



## Games

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[USA Today Easy Crossword](#)

[Washington Post mini crossword](#)

[Games to Learn English](#) Beginner to intermediate. Excellent site for easy practice of everyday vocabulary, grammar. Short quizzes and games

[Vocabulary.com](#) quizzes to learn vocabulary – intermediate to advanced

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## Applications for smartphones and tablets

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[Quizlet](#) A great app to review vocabulary, grammar...

You will need to create a profile first, then you can access sets made by others or create your own. Explore [sets made for you by Grant & Bates](#)

[Duolingo](#) Not just for kids. A widely used app to learn and review basics

The [British Council](#) has several grammar apps

[Lyrics training](#) Watch music clips and fill in the missing words. Different levels

## Dictionaries & Translation

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Everyone should have a dictionary and a translations app on their phone

[Merriam-Webster](#): American dictionary – Includes Word of the Day, word quizzes

Oxford English Dictionary. Both online and app

[Linguee](#) – app with a database of official translations in different languages. Great for expressions, technical terms, industry vocabulary. Both online and app

[DeepL](#) for translations. Online or downloadable on Windows or IOS.

## Numbers

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[Numbers in English - The Ultimate Guide](#)

There are different apps to learn and hear numbers. Try several different ones for different accents