

CULTURAL DESTINATION: MOTIVATION & LEARNING ENGLISH

TRAVEL CONVERSATION

SEMESTER 2, LESSON 019



REVIEW

Use this photo as a useful way to review the previous topic and vocabulary. Students should use the vocabulary they have learned to describe the pictures.



TABLE TOPIC

Choose and discuss one of these interesting table topic questions in order to get warmed up for the lesson!

Table Topic:

Do you have the motivation to accomplish anything? How do you get motivated?

Hypothetical Table Topic:

Imagine a co-worker is about to commit suicide. How would you motivate them to change their mind away from committing suicide?



IDIOM

Read and practice this useful idiom.
It's great to use with this topic!

sow the seeds - to do something that will cause a particular result in the future

Don't cheat on your significant other. You'll **sow the seeds** for a horrible break up.



USEFUL WORDS

Read and practice the vocabulary below.

instill - to put a feeling, idea, or principle gradually into someone's mind, so that it has a strong influence on the way the person lives

The best way to stay motivated is to **instill** the right principles for learning English into your mind!

nudge- to gently push someone or something

One way to stay motivated when learning English is to surround yourself with the right people who will give you a **nudge** when you need it.

fire up- to make someone become excited or angry

Getting **fired up** is another way to get motivated to learn English. Ask your teacher to **fire you up** if need be.

egg on - to encourage someone to do something, usually, something that is wrong, stupid, or dangerous

Some teachers **egg their students on** to motivate them into learning. Figure out which method of motivation is best for you.

paradigm shift- a time when the usual and accepted way of doing or thinking about something changes completely

To stay motivated and successfully learn a language you need a **paradigm shift**. It's going to take a lot of hard work and practice. No teacher can 'give' you English.



GUIDED CONVERSATION

Use these questions as a guide for conversation. Splitting into small groups for conversation is advisable. The teacher will inquire to see what the students have learned post-conversation.

What is a good way to get motivated? What is a good way to stay motivated?

What is your motivation for learning English?

What's your main motivation in life?

Which do you prefer for motivation? Someone giving you a **nudge**, **firing you up**, or **egging you on**?

Pretend your best friend can't quit smoking. Provide him with some motivation and advice.



ACTIVITY

Use this activity to practice the vocabulary and idioms you have learned so far!

Speed Conversation

Example situation: Your conversation partner is really **fired up** about a work incident. Their boss is a real jerk! Do your best calm them down.

Students should sit across from a classmate. The teacher will assign a situation for each group of students to talk over. Students should rotate partners every 2-3 minutes.



HOMework

**Homework! Daily practice is essential
for language learning.**

1 MINUTE PRESENTATION/SPEECH

Talk about a teacher or mentor that motivated you at some point in your life. Give a 1 minute speech presenting it (After the student is through, the teacher will quiz the other students about the speech so as to test their listening comprehension).



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