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Analysing your language needs for SALL Vocabulary

Analysing your language needs is the first step when you try to study independently. To do this we need to ask two questions:



1. Why do you want to improve your vocabulary?

Think about the following reasons, tick the one(s) that most affect you and add your own if they do not match your situation.







- I want to be able to speak better.
- I want to write better in English and don't know enough words.
- I want to read more effectively.
- I want to be able to understand more when I listen in English
- I have to take a test before graduating and I need to improve my vocabulary range.
- Add your own ______

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2. What are your problems in vocabulary?

The next step is to think about and define your problems.

a) Look at the problems described below. They are all problems related to vocabulary skills. Tick any problems you have.



1. I don't know enough words	2. I know the meaning of a word but don't know how to pronounce it.	3. I recognise a word when I see/hear it but never use it myself.	4. I don't keep good records of new words.	5. I don't revise enough so I forget all the words I learnt.
b) Are there any	other factors which o	cause you problems	with vocabulary:	?
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2. Summaris	sing your needs			
Write a short state	ement summarizing y	our purpose and p	roblems in learr	ning vocabulary.
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3. Writing a	Target			
Now write a targe	et for your vocabulary	r study plan. Remem	ber that your tar	raet should he
	achievable, appropria			
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