

ENGLISHCONNECT 3: LEARNER MANUAL



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Getting Started

What Is EnglishConnect 3?

EnglishConnect 3 is a course designed to help you:

- Increase your faith in Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ
- Become an agentive learner
- Increase your English proficiency to achieve your education and employment goals

EnglishConnect 3 can help you develop intermediate-high level proficiency in Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing.

EnglishConnect 3 has two parts:

- Weekly Gathering
- Online Learning Resources & Learner Manual

How Can I Use This Course to Improve My English Proficiency?

To improve your English proficiency, you need to master four functions:

- Ask & Answer Questions
- Describe
- Narrate
- Negotiate

You will practice the four functions at the Weekly Gathering. On the EnglishConnect 3 website, you will practice the functions to improve your Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing. You will practice each function with multiple topics. Start at Level 1 and work to complete Level 4.

How Do I Know If I Am Improving?

Track Your Progress in the Online Activities

Listening: Complete a Listening practice activity online. At the end of each topic practice, you will receive a score.

- Record your score on your scoring sheet (p. 12).

Reading: Complete a Reading practice activity online. At the end of each topic practice, you will receive a score.

- Record your score on your scoring sheet.

Writing: Complete a Writing activity online. At the end of each topic practice, your answers will be sent to the Reviewer. The Reviewer will send you an email to give you feedback.

- Record your score on your scoring sheet.

Speaking: To complete Speaking activities online, you must record your response to the question and email your voice recordings to the Reviewer. Send your voice recordings to ec3@byui.edu. Choose one of the options below to record your voice and send to the Reviewer:

- Use your phone to record. Send the audio file in an email to ec3@byui.edu.
- Use Talk & Comment software (Instructions: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85yPcWnRvHg>). Send the recording link in an email to ec3@byui.edu.
- Use Vocaroo software (Instructions: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=69XuFVhc9H4>). Send the recording link in an email to ec3@byui.edu.

When the Reviewer receives your email, he/she will send you an email with a score and suggestions to improve.

- Record your score on your scoring sheet.

Self-Evaluate

At the end of each practice, take time to self-evaluate.

- Review your scores and your goals. Are you improving?
- Choose one thing you will try to improve in the next practice.
- Write your goal on your scoring sheet.

How Do I Move to the Next Level?

In the online activities, you will move from Level 1 to Level 4. At each level, you will practice the functions with multiple topics. To move to the next level, you must achieve 75% on advanced questions, and 90% on intermediate questions for four topics.

- After you complete the practice for each topic, record your scores on your Scoring Sheet.

When you achieve 75% on the advanced questions, and 90% on intermediate questions for 4 topics, you are ready to take the Proficiency Check.

When you pass the Proficiency Check, you will go to the next level and begin the process again.

How Can I Be Successful?

You will be most successful as you prayerfully seek the gift of tongues, apply the principles of being an agentive learner, and attend the Weekly Gathering.

To learn English, you must study and practice every day.

Try to study and practice for 10 hours each week.

- Record your daily study time in the Tracking Tool (p. 10).

Being an Agentive Learner

What Is an Agentive Learner?

An agentive learner chooses to act in faith (2 Nephi 2:14-16). An agentive learner has a vision for who they will become. An agentive learner consistently works to achieve their goals.

You can be an agentive learner. You are a child of God. You have divine nature and potential. As a child of God, you are endowed with power to act, and not be acted upon (2 Nephi 2:14-16). You can decide who you will become and what you will achieve.

Learning English isn't easy, but when you choose to act in faith, you can accomplish your goals!

As you study, try to apply the principles of being an agentive learner.

Principles of Being an Agentive Learner

- Exercise Faith (Philippians 4:13)
- Take Responsibility (2 Nephi 2:14-16)
- Teach One Another (D&C 88:77-79)
- Press Forward (2 Nephi 31:20)
- Apply Effective Methods (D&C 109:7-9; 88:119)
- Self-Evaluate (D&C 7:3-4)

How Do I Improve My Ability to Be an Agent Learner?

- Study the six principles listed above.
- Apply the principles in your daily study.
- Each week, answer the questions in the online Progress Tracker. Compare your responses with previous weeks and see your progress.
 - Record your experiences in your Learning Journal (in the Learner Manual).

Where Do I Start?

Use the Learning Plan (page 8) to complete the steps listed below.

- Step 1: Create Your Vision
- Step 2: Set Goals
- Step 3: Make Plans
- Step 4: Act in Faith
- Step 5: Self-Evaluate

Weekly Gathering

The Weekly Gathering is the most important part of this course.

Each week, you will attend a Weekly Gathering with your classmates, and two Pathway Missionaries. At the Weekly Gathering, you will have opportunities to learn and teach.

Each week, one student will be the Lead Student. The Lead Student will follow a lesson plan to lead the learning activities.

If you prepare and participate in the activities, your faith will grow and your English will improve.

Prepare for the Weekly Gathering

- Download the Gathering Preparation Workbook from the website.
- Read the introduction. Follow the instructions in the introduction.

Prepare to be the Lead Student

- Download the Lead Student Gathering Workbook from the website.
- Read the introduction. Follow the instructions in the introduction.

Using the Resources on the *EnglishConnect 3* Website

You can use the practice activities on the website to master the four functions and improve your English proficiency.

What is Function Practice?

To improve your English proficiency, you need to master four functions:

- Ask & Answer Questions
- Describe
- Narrate
- Negotiate

On the EnglishConnect 3 website, you will practice the four functions to improve your Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing. You will practice each function with multiple topics. You will start at Level 1 and work to achieve Level 4.

Follow these steps to do function practice:

- Choose a skill – Listening, Speaking, Reading, or Writing.
- Choose your level. To begin, start at Level 1.
- Choose a Function:
 - Ask & Answer Questions
 - Describe
 - Narrate
 - Negotiate
- Complete the practice activities. You will practice each function with multiple topics. When you complete the practice for a topic, record your scores on your Scoring Sheet (p. 12).

Vocabulary

Memorize the words on these vocabulary lists. Increasing your vocabulary will improve your Listening, Reading, Writing, and Speaking. Spend time each week to study and use these words in new sentences.

Strategies

Learn important strategies to improve your Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing. Apply these strategies when you study and practice.

Other Resources

Use these resources to learn more about English grammar, additional vocabulary, and other English learning resources available on the internet.

My Language Learning Plan

Step 1: Create Your Vision

A vision is a description of the person you want to become in the future. It is a description of your full potential. A vision is inspiring and motivating. A vision will grow over time, but you can start now to define your personal vision.

- **Prayerfully create a vision of what you want to become. Write your personal vision.**

Step 2: Set Goals

Goals will help you achieve your vision. Effective goals are clear, simple, and measurable. You will need long-term and short-term goals. Long-term goals take several months to achieve. Short-term goals take several days or weeks to achieve.

- **Write your long-term English learning goals.**

- In 1 year, I will be able to:

- In 6 months, I will be able to:

- **Write your short-term English learning goals.**

- In 3 months, I will be able to:

- In 1 month, I will be able to:

Step 3: Make Plans

Daily plans will help you achieve your goals. You will learn English faster if you study and practice for 10 hours a week. To make plans, answer these questions:

- **What** skill will you practice?
(Examples: Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing, Vocabulary)
- **How** will you practice?
(Examples: attend the Weekly Gathering, complete EnglishConnect 3 online activities, talk to a native speaker, Read the English Book of Mormon, listen to an English news channel, use new words to make sentences)
- **When** will you study and practice?
(Examples: on the bus, during lunch, at the Weekly Gathering, before breakfast, after dinner)

➤ **Write your daily plans to study and practice English.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

Step 4: Act in Faith

Work diligently to follow your plan. Try to study and practice for 10 hours a week. Attend the Weekly Gathering. Use the *EnglishConnect 3* online activities.

- Record your daily study time in the Tracking Tool (page 10).
- When you complete the online practice for each topic, record your scores on your Scoring Sheet (page 12).

Step 5: Self-Evaluate

Each day, take time to evaluate your progress. Prayerfully report your progress to Heavenly Father. Choose one thing to improve tomorrow.

- Record your experiences in your Learning Journal (page 14).

My Tracking Tool

Week of _____ (Example: Sep 18 – Sep 24, 2017)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Example: 30 min Reading						

Week of _____

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