

HOW TO INCREASE YOUR VOCABULARY

What you could do	Practical examples
Read and listen as much as possible	Have a look at the reading and listening worksheets for ideas on how to find new words.
Learn in context	Take note of the most common words and phrases as you read and listen.
Use different strategies to help you remember new words	Keep a note of new words and their translations, then classify these words into categories (colours, furniture, feelings, etc.) Repeat these words aloud. Create mind maps or put Post-It notes around your house or office.
Memorise new words	Use vocabulary cards (foreign word on one side, translation on the other) or digital flashcards. Make a 'vocabulary box' to hold these cards, and regularly test yourself by drawing out a card at random.
Play word games	Play word games (scrabble, crosswords, etc.) with your friends. Create sentences or stories using the new words you have learnt.

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