

# Resource Library

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*Five-Star English-Learning Resources for Independent Learners*

## Resource Library Master Index

This Master Index contains the selected Five-Star resources organized into 14 sections. Most of the resources are free; the Free / Paid Status column shows any exceptions. The same resource may appear in more than one section when its function is different.

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### Resource Marker Legend

G = Especially useful for General English

W = Especially useful for Workplace English

† = Especially useful for A1+ learners (upper A1, moving toward A2)

LIGHT = Uses very little data. You can use it with mobile data.

MEDIUM = Uses more data. Use Wi-Fi if you can.

WI-FI = Uses a lot of data. Use it only with Wi-Fi.

18+ = For adults only (18 years old or older).

The data marker shows the lightest useful part of a resource. The grey line under the resource shows which parts are Light, Medium, or Wi-Fi only. A resource with no data marker needs good internet.

The data markers are estimates. They can change when a website changes.

Reference section: Use the tables below to locate resources after you have identified a learning goal. The same resource may appear in more than one section when it serves different purposes.

## 1. Core English-Learning Resources

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                                                                   | Official URL                                                                                    | CEFR Level        | Skills                                                                    | What It Is                                                                        | Primary Learning Need                                                                      | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                             | How to Use It                                                                           | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course          |
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| BBC Learning English                                                                                                                                                                            | <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish">https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish</a>       | Beginner–Advanced | Listening, Reading, Vocabulary, Grammar, Pronunciation                    | A broad English-learning site with lessons and practice.                          | Build general English through guided listening, language lessons, and practice.            | Free               | Reliable, varied, and useful across multiple levels and skills.   | Choose a lesson matching your objective; practice actively and record useful language.  | G + <b>MEDIUM</b>  | Part 2; General English skill chapters |
| <b>Medium:</b> audio programmes (for example, 6 Minute English) and their PDF transcripts. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> video courses.                                                                    |                                                                                                 |                   |                                                                           |                                                                                   |                                                                                            |                    |                                                                   |                                                                                         |                    |                                        |
| British Council LearnEnglish                                                                                                                                                                    | <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/</a> | A1–C1             | Listening, Reading, Speaking, Writing, Vocabulary, Grammar, Pronunciation | A comprehensive English-learning platform with structured lessons and activities. | Develop general English and selected workplace-related skills through structured practice. | Free               | A high-quality, well-organized core resource with broad coverage. | Start from your CEFR level and skill; select lessons that match your current objective. | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; General and Workplace English  |
| <b>Light:</b> reading, writing, and grammar lessons with PDF worksheets. <b>Medium:</b> listening lessons with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos.                                                |                                                                                                 |                   |                                                                           |                                                                                   |                                                                                            |                    |                                                                   |                                                                                         |                    |                                        |
| ELLLO                                                                                                                                                                                           | <a href="https://ello.org/">https://ello.org/</a>                                               | A1–C1             | Listening, Speaking, Vocabulary, Grammar                                  | A large collection of listening lessons using varied speakers and activities.     | Improve listening comprehension and build useful spoken vocabulary and grammar.            | Free               | Large amount of accessible listening practice with level variety. | Select a level/topic, listen more than once, then use the transcript and activities.    | G + <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Listening and Speaking         |
| <b>Light:</b> grammar lessons and their PDFs. <b>Medium:</b> audio conversations with the written words, and the speaking games Repeat Relay and Speaking Challenge. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. |                                                                                                 |                   |                                                                           |                                                                                   |                                                                                            |                    |                                                                   |                                                                                         |                    |                                        |

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Official URL                                                                                                        | CEFR Level           | Skills                                                     | What It Is                                                                                                                                        | Primary Learning Need                                                           | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                      | How to Use It                                                                            | Resource Markers  | Where to Use It in the Course                 |
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| YouGlish                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <a href="https://youglish.com/">https://youglish.com/</a>                                                           | A2-C2+               | Pronunciation, Listening, Vocabulary, Speaking             | A pronunciation/search tool that finds real spoken examples of words and phrases.                                                                 | Hear words and phrases in authentic speech and improve pronunciation and usage. | Free / limited     | Excellent for checking how English is actually pronounced and used.        | Search a target word or phrase, listen to several examples, and imitate useful examples. | G                 | Part 2; Pronunciation, Vocabulary, Speaking   |
| VOA Learning English                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <a href="https://learningenglish.voanews.com/">https://learningenglish.voanews.com/</a>                             | Beginning – Advanced | Listening, Reading, Vocabulary, Speaking                   | News and English-learning content with accessible language and audio.                                                                             | Build listening and reading ability through news and current-topic English.     | Free               | Clear audio and useful level-appropriate news-based practice.              | Choose content at your level; listen, read, review vocabulary, and summarize.            | G + <b>LIGHT</b>  | Part 2; Listening and Reading                 |
| <b>Light:</b> the article text. <b>Medium:</b> the article with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. The videos are also on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/voalearningenglish">https://www.youtube.com/voalearningenglish</a> |                                                                                                                     |                      |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                 |                    |                                                                            |                                                                                          |                   |                                               |
| USA Learns                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <a href="https://www.usalearns.org/">https://www.usalearns.org/</a>                                                 | A1-B1                | Listening, Reading, Speaking, Writing, Vocabulary, Grammar | A structured online English-learning program with lessons and courses. Needs good internet: the courses use video. Free registration is required. | Develop foundational and intermediate English through a guided course sequence. | Free               | Especially useful for independent learners who need structure.             | Follow a course systematically and use it as a guided practice path.                     | G W +             | Part 2; General English and Workplace English |
| Cambridge English: Learning English                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <a href="https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/learning-english/">https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/learning-english/</a> | A1-C2                | Reading, Listening, Writing, Grammar, Vocabulary           | Short free activities from Cambridge, sorted by level and skill.                                                                                  | Find a short activity for one skill at your level.                              | Free               | A trusted source; the activities are short and clearly organized by level. | Choose your level and one skill, complete one activity, and check your answers.          | G + <b>MEDIUM</b> | Part 2; General English skill chapters        |
| <b>Medium:</b> short activities. You must be online.                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                     |                      |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                 |                    |                                                                            |                                                                                          |                   |                                               |

## 2. Assessment / Placement

| Resource Name | Official URL                                                | CEFR Level | Skills             | What It Is                                                          | Primary Learning Need                        | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                           | How to Use It                                                                         | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| EF SET        | <a href="https://www.efset.org/">https://www.efset.org/</a> | CEFR       | Reading, Listening | A standardized online English assessment with CEFR-aligned results. | Estimate your current general English level. | Free               | A practical starting-point assessment for independent learners. | Take the appropriate test under quiet conditions and record the result in My Learning | <b>MEDIUM</b>    | Part 1, Module 2              |

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                  | Official URL                                                                                                                            | CEFR Level | Skills                               | What It Is                                          | Primary Learning Need                                     | Free / Paid Status          | Why JBK Recommends It                                                     | How to Use It                                                                                       | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course       |
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| <b>Medium:</b> the 20-question practice test. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the 50-minute and 90-minute tests. You need good internet for the whole test. |                                                                                                                                         |            |                                      |                                                     |                                                           |                             |                                                                           |                                                                                                     | Record.          |                                     |
| Cambridge Test Your English                                                                                                                    | <a href="https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/test-your-english/">https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/test-your-english/</a>                   | —          | Grammar, Vocabulary                  | A short Cambridge diagnostic for general English.   | Get a quick indication of general English ability.        | Free                        | Useful as a second diagnostic alongside a broader placement test.         | Take it after or alongside EF SET and compare the results.                                          | —                | Part 1, Module 2                    |
| Ginseng English Level Test                                                                                                                     | <a href="https://ginsengenglish.com/english-level-test">https://ginsengenglish.com/english-level-test</a>                               | —          | Grammar, Vocabulary, General English | An online English level test.                       | Check your English level with an additional diagnostic.   | Free                        | Can provide another data point when building a personal starting profile. | Use as an optional comparison test rather than as your only placement measure.                      | —                | Part 1, Module 2                    |
| EnglishRadar                                                                                                                                   | <a href="https://www.englishradar.com/english-test/">https://www.englishradar.com/english-test/</a>                                     | —          | General English                      | An online English-level assessment resource.        | Get another estimate of overall English level.            | Free / check current access | Useful as an optional diagnostic comparison.                              | Take the test and compare the result with other assessments and self-assessment.                    | —                | Part 1, Module 2                    |
| VocabularySize.com                                                                                                                             | <a href="https://my.vocabularysize.com/">https://my.vocabularysize.com/</a>                                                             | —          | Vocabulary                           | A vocabulary-size diagnostic.                       | Estimate the number of English words you know.            | Free / check current access | Adds a useful vocabulary dimension to the starting profile.               | Take the diagnostic and record the estimate; use it as one piece of evidence, not a complete level. | —                | Part 1, Module 2                    |
| Cambridge Test Your English – Business                                                                                                         | <a href="https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/test-your-english/business/">https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/test-your-english/business/</a> | —          | Business English                     | A Cambridge diagnostic focused on business English. | Check your starting point for workplace/business English. | Free                        | Provides a workplace-oriented complement to general English assessment.   | Use it when establishing a Workplace English starting profile.                                      | W                | Part 1, Module 2; Workplace English |

### 3. Listening Resources

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Official URL                                                                              | CEFR Level           | Skills                   | What It Is                                                                   | Primary Learning Need                                        | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                                 | How to Use It                                                                          | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course    |
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| ELLLO                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://ello.org/">https://ello.org/</a>                                         | A1–C1                | Listening                | Short recordings with many different speakers, plus transcripts and quizzes. | Understand different voices and accents.                     | Free               | Many speakers from many countries; very useful for listening more than once with a different purpose. | Listen once for the main idea, again for details, then check the transcript.           | G + <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Listening (A2–B2)        |
| <b>Light:</b> grammar lessons and their PDFs. <b>Medium:</b> audio conversations with the written words, and the speaking games Repeat Relay and Speaking Challenge. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos.                                       |                                                                                           |                      |                          |                                                                              |                                                              |                    |                                                                                                       |                                                                                        |                    |                                  |
| VOA Learning English                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <a href="https://learningenglish.voanews.com/">https://learningenglish.voanews.com/</a>   | Beginning – Advanced | Listening, Reading       | News and stories read at a slower speed, with the text.                      | Follow news and current topics at a manageable speed.        | Free               | Clear, slower audio with transcripts.                                                                 | Listen first without the text, then read along to check what you understood.           | G + <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Listening                |
| <b>Light:</b> the article text. <b>Medium:</b> the article with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. The videos are also on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/voalearningenglish">https://www.youtube.com/voalearningenglish</a> |                                                                                           |                      |                          |                                                                              |                                                              |                    |                                                                                                       |                                                                                        |                    |                                  |
| BBC Learning English                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish">https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish</a> | Beginner–Advanced    | Listening, Vocabulary    | Short audio and video programmes with transcripts.                           | Practice listening to natural discussion and new vocabulary. | Free               | Short episodes that are good for following discussions, opinions, and attitudes at B1–B2.             | Listen for the main message, then for opinions and attitude, then read the transcript. | G <b>MEDIUM</b>    | Part 2; Listening (B1–B2)        |
| <b>Medium:</b> audio programmes (for example, 6 Minute English) and their PDF transcripts. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> video courses.                                                                                                          |                                                                                           |                      |                          |                                                                              |                                                              |                    |                                                                                                       |                                                                                        |                    |                                  |
| Breaking News English                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/</a>           | A2 (Low)–C1/C2       | Listening, Reading       | The same news story at several levels and speaking speeds.                   | Practice listening at a level and speed that fit you.        | Free               | The same story at different levels makes it easy to raise the challenge step by step.                 | Listen at your level; then try the next level or a faster speed.                       | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Listening                |
| <b>Light:</b> Level 0 to Level 3 stories, the short PDFs (2 or 7 pages), and the short audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the 27-page lesson.                                                                                                  |                                                                                           |                      |                          |                                                                              |                                                              |                    |                                                                                                       |                                                                                        |                    |                                  |
| YouGlish                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <a href="https://youglish.com/">https://youglish.com/</a>                                 | A2–C2+               | Listening, Pronunciation | Real video clips of people using any word or phrase you search for.          | Hear how words and phrases sound in natural speech.          | Free / limited     | Shows many different speakers using the same language.                                                | Search a phrase and listen to several speakers say it.                                 | G                  | Part 2; Listening, Pronunciation |
| Randall's ESL                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <a href="https://www.esl-lab.com/">https://www.esl-lab.com/</a>                           | Easy–Difficult       | Listening                | Short everyday                                                               | Practice understand                                          | Free               | Hundreds of short                                                                                     | Listen once,                                                                           | G <b>MEDIUM</b>    | Part 2; Listening                |

| Resource Name                                                                          | Official URL                                                              | CEFR Level     | Skills             | What It Is                                                                             | Primary Learning Need                          | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                                                                                                                             | How to Use It                                                                        | Resource Markers  | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Cyber Listening Lab                                                                    |                                                                           |                |                    | conversations with quizzes and the written words.                                      | listening everyday conversations.              |                    | conversations at three levels, each with a quiz and a script.                                                                                                                                     | answer the quiz, then read the script and listen again.                              |                   |                               |
| <b>Medium:</b> short conversations with audio and a quiz.                              |                                                                           |                |                    |                                                                                        |                                                |                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                      |                   |                               |
| Spotlight English                                                                      | <a href="https://spotlightenglish.com/">https://spotlightenglish.com/</a> | A2+–B1 approx. | Listening, Reading | Fifteen-minute programmes read slowly with a limited vocabulary, with the full script. | Listen to longer talks at a slow, clear speed. | Free               | Slow, clear speech and printable scripts make longer listening possible for lower-level learners. Note: produced by a Christian broadcasting organization; most programmes are on general topics. | Read the script first, then listen and read along. Later, listen without the script. | G<br><b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Listening, Reading    |
| <b>Light:</b> the scripts (the written words). <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the 15-minute audio. |                                                                           |                |                    |                                                                                        |                                                |                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                      |                   |                               |

## 4. Reading Resources

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Official URL                                                                            | CEFR Level           | Skills              | What It Is                                               | Primary Learning Need                            | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                 | How to Use It                                                           | Resource Markers      | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Breaking News English                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/</a>         | A2 (Low)–C1/C2       | Reading, Vocabulary | News lessons written at several levels, with activities. | Read about current topics at a manageable level. | Free               | The same story at several levels lets you move up when you are ready. | Read at your level, do the activities, then try the next level.         | G W +<br><b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Reading               |
| <b>Light:</b> Level 0 to Level 3 stories, the short PDFs (2 or 7 pages), and the short audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the 27-page lesson.                                                                                                  |                                                                                         |                      |                     |                                                          |                                                  |                    |                                                                       |                                                                         |                       |                               |
| VOA Learning English                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <a href="https://learningenglish.voanews.com/">https://learningenglish.voanews.com/</a> | Beginning – Advanced | Reading, Listening  | News articles in clear English, with audio.              | Read news with support from audio.               | Free               | Clear, level-appropriate texts on real topics.                        | Read an article, find the main idea and key details, then summarize it. | G +<br><b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Reading               |
| <b>Light:</b> the article text. <b>Medium:</b> the article with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. The videos are also on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/voalearningenglish">https://www.youtube.com/voalearningenglish</a> |                                                                                         |                      |                     |                                                          |                                                  |                    |                                                                       |                                                                         |                       |                               |

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                    | Official URL                                                                                    | CEFR Level        | Skills              | What It Is                                                                                                                                         | Primary Learning Need                                       | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                                                                                           | How to Use It                                                                            | Resource Markers      | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| British Council LearnEnglish                                                                                                                     | <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/</a> | A1–C1             | Reading             | Reading texts with preparation tasks and exercises for each level.                                                                                 | Practice reading skills at your CEFR level.                 | Free               | Level-based texts with clear tasks before and after reading.                                                                                                    | Choose a text at your level, do the preparation task, read, then do the exercises.       | G W +<br><b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Reading               |
| <b>Light:</b> reading, writing, and grammar lessons with PDF worksheets. <b>Medium:</b> listening lessons with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. |                                                                                                 |                   |                     |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                             |                    |                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                          |                       |                               |
| Diffit                                                                                                                                           | <a href="https://web.diffit.me/">https://web.diffit.me/</a>                                     | —                 | Reading, Vocabulary | A teacher tool: an AI tool that rewrites a text at a lower reading level and creates questions. It is made for teachers and has no student logins. | Make a real text easier to read and practice with it.       | Free / paid plans  | Useful for adapting authentic texts to your level. Designed mainly for teachers; it takes some effort to learn, but you can use it to create your own practice. | Paste a useful text, choose your level, read the adapted version, then try the original. | G W +                 | Part 2; Reading               |
| News in Levels                                                                                                                                   | <a href="https://www.newsinlevels.com/">https://www.newsinlevels.com/</a>                       | A2–B1 approx.     | Reading, Listening  | Short news stories written at three levels of difficulty, with audio.                                                                              | Read real news in easy English.                             | Free               | Very short texts with a small vocabulary at Level 1 make daily reading possible.                                                                                | Read the Level 1 story, check new words, then try Level 2 of the same story.             | G +<br><b>MEDIUM</b>  | Part 2; Reading, Listening    |
| <b>Medium:</b> the stories with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the videos.                                                                            |                                                                                                 |                   |                     |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                             |                    |                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                          |                       |                               |
| Simple English Wikipedia                                                                                                                         | <a href="https://simple.wikipedia.org/">https://simple.wikipedia.org/</a>                       | B1 approx.        | Reading, Vocabulary | An encyclopedia written in simple English.                                                                                                         | Read about any topic that interests you in simpler English. | Free               | Text pages on thousands of topics let learners choose what they read.                                                                                           | Search for a topic you know well, read the first section, and note five useful words.    | G<br><b>LIGHT</b>     | Part 2; Reading (B1)          |
| <b>Light:</b> all articles.                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                 |                   |                     |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                             |                    |                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                          |                       |                               |
| American English (U.S. Department of State)                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.americanenglish.org/">https://www.americanenglish.org/</a>                 | Beginner–Advanced | Reading, Listening  | A resource mainly for teachers: free                                                                                                               | Download reading material to study offline.                 | Free               | Downloaded files can be kept, reused, and shared.                                                                                                               | Teachers: search by resource type, learner                                               | G<br><b>MEDIUM</b>    | Part 2; Reading (B1)          |

| Resource Name                                                                                      | Official URL | CEFR Level | Skills | What It Is                                                                                                                                                    | Primary Learning Need | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It | How to Use It                                                                                                         | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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|                                                                                                    |              |            |        | stories, activities, lesson plans, and teaching guides from a website sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, for teachers and learners of English abroad. |                       |                    |                       | level, and skill, and download materials for class. Learners: on Wi-Fi, download one short story and read it offline. |                  |                               |
| <b>Medium:</b> single stories and worksheets (PDF files). <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> full books and audio. |              |            |        |                                                                                                                                                               |                       |                    |                       |                                                                                                                       |                  |                               |

## 5. Vocabulary / Language Tools

| Resource Name                | Official URL                                                                    | CEFR Level | Skills                       | What It Is                                                                      | Primary Learning Need                                     | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                     | How to Use It                                                                                          | Resource Markers  | Where to Use It in the Course        |
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| Visual Thesaurus             | <a href="https://www.visualthesaurus.com/">https://www.visualthesaurus.com/</a> | —          | Vocabulary                   | An interactive thesaurus that shows relationships among words.                  | Expand and organize vocabulary and explore related words. | Free / paid features | Its visual word relationships can help learners understand vocabulary networks.           | Look up a target word, examine related words, and choose only useful additions for your learning goal. | G                 | Part 2; Vocabulary                   |
| SKELL                        | <a href="https://skell.sketchengine.eu/">https://skell.sketchengine.eu/</a>     | —          | Vocabulary, Grammar, Writing | A corpus-based tool for seeing authentic examples and common word combinations. | Check how words and phrases are actually used.            | Free                 | Authentic example sentences make it useful for independent vocabulary and usage checking. | Search a word or phrase, study several examples, and notice common patterns.                           | G<br><b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Vocabulary, Grammar, Writing |
| <b>Light:</b> word searches. |                                                                                 |            |                              |                                                                                 |                                                           |                      |                                                                                           |                                                                                                        |                   |                                      |

| Resource Name                           | Official URL                                                                      | CEFR Level | Skills                    | What It Is                                                                                                   | Primary Learning Need                                  | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                       | How to Use It                                                                | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course     |
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| Cambridge Dictionary                    | <a href="https://dictionary.cambridge.org/">https://dictionary.cambridge.org/</a> | —          | Vocabulary, Pronunciation | A learner's dictionary with simple definitions, examples, CEFR level labels, and British and American audio. | Check the meaning, level, and pronunciation of a word. | Free               | Definitions are written for learners, and the level labels show which words to learn first. | Look up a word, listen to it, read one example, and write your own sentence. | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Vocabulary, Pronunciation |
| <b>Light:</b> word searches with audio. |                                                                                   |            |                           |                                                                                                              |                                                        |                    |                                                                                             |                                                                              |                    |                                   |

## 6. Grammar Resources

| Resource Name                                                                                                                                    | Official URL                                                                                    | CEFR Level | Skills           | What It Is                                                        | Primary Learning Need                                     | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                                    | How to Use It                                                                              | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| British Council LearnEnglish                                                                                                                     | <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/</a> | A1–C1      | Grammar          | Structured grammar lessons and practice within LearnEnglish.      | Understand and practice grammar at an appropriate level.  | Free                 | Reliable explanations and level-based practice.                          | Choose the grammar point connected to your CEFR objective; practice and reflect on errors. | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Grammar               |
| <b>Light:</b> reading, writing, and grammar lessons with PDF worksheets. <b>Medium:</b> listening lessons with audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. |                                                                                                 |            |                  |                                                                   |                                                           |                      |                                                                          |                                                                                            |                    |                               |
| Perfect English Grammar                                                                                                                          | <a href="https://www.perfect-english-grammar.com/">https://www.perfect-english-grammar.com/</a> | —          | Grammar          | A focused grammar-learning site with explanations and exercises.  | Clarify grammar rules and practice specific structures.   | Free / paid features | Focused explanations make it useful when a learner needs extra practice. | Identify one grammar problem, study the explanation, then complete targeted practice.      | G W <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Grammar               |
| <b>Light:</b> grammar explanations and PDF exercises.                                                                                            |                                                                                                 |            |                  |                                                                   |                                                           |                      |                                                                          |                                                                                            |                    |                               |
| Purdue OWL                                                                                                                                       | <a href="https://owl.purdue.edu/">https://owl.purdue.edu/</a>                                   | —          | Grammar, Writing | A writing and language reference resource from Purdue University. | Check grammar, usage, and writing conventions.            | Free                 | A strong reference when learners need clarification beyond a lesson.     | Use it as a reference when revising or checking a grammar/writing problem.                 | G W                | Part 2; Grammar, Writing      |
| Grammar Monster                                                                                                                                  | <a href="https://www.grammar-monster.com/">https://www.grammar-monster.com/</a>                 | —          | Grammar          | A grammar reference and practice site.                            | Review individual grammar points and common usage issues. | Free                 | Straightforward explanations and practice for targeted grammar review.   | Search for the exact grammar point you need and practice it.                               | G                  | Part 2; Grammar               |

| Resource Name                                                            | Official URL                                                                                          | CEFR Level | Skills              | What It Is                                                                | Primary Learning Need                                                      | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                                     | How to Use It                                                                           | Resource Markers     | Where to Use It in the Course                |
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| UsingEnglish.com                                                         | <a href="https://www.usingenglish.com/">https://www.usingenglish.com/</a>                             | —          | Grammar, Vocabulary | A broad English-learning reference with grammar and language resources.   | Find explanations, examples, and practice for specific language questions. | Free / paid features | Useful as a practical reference when a learner needs additional examples. | Search for the problem you are studying and compare examples with your course work.     | G W<br><b>LIGHT</b>  | Part 2; Grammar, Vocabulary                  |
| <b>Light:</b> reference pages and quizzes.                               |                                                                                                       |            |                     |                                                                           |                                                                            |                      |                                                                           |                                                                                         |                      |                                              |
| Englishpage.com                                                          | <a href="https://www.englishpage.com/">https://www.englishpage.com/</a>                               | —          | Grammar             | A grammar-focused site with explanations and exercises.                   | Practice specific grammar structures.                                      | Free                 | Provides focused practice without requiring a full course sequence.       | Select one grammar topic, study the explanation, complete exercises, and review errors. | G<br><b>LIGHT</b>    | Part 2; Grammar                              |
| <b>Light:</b> grammar pages with exercises.                              |                                                                                                       |            |                     |                                                                           |                                                                            |                      |                                                                           |                                                                                         |                      |                                              |
| Test-English A1 Grammar                                                  | <a href="https://test-english.com/grammar-points/a1/">https://test-english.com/grammar-points/a1/</a> | A1         | Grammar             | Level-based grammar explanations and exercises.                           | Build foundational grammar through targeted A1 practice.                   | Free                 | A useful entry-level resource for independent learners.                   | Choose one A1 grammar point, practice it, and record recurring errors.                  | G +<br><b>MEDIUM</b> | Part 2; Grammar A2 preparation / A1+ support |
| <b>Medium:</b> grammar pages with exercises. You must be online.         |                                                                                                       |            |                     |                                                                           |                                                                            |                      |                                                                           |                                                                                         |                      |                                              |
| ELLLO A1 Grammar                                                         | <a href="https://elllo.org/book/A1/index.html">https://elllo.org/book/A1/index.html</a>               | A1         | Grammar             | Beginner grammar practice connected with simple English learning content. | Strengthen basic grammar through accessible practice.                      | Free                 | Useful for learners who need simple, manageable grammar work.             | Practice one grammar point and then use it in your own sentences.                       | G +<br><b>LIGHT</b>  | Part 2; Grammar; A1+ support                 |
| <b>Light:</b> grammar lessons and their PDFs. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. |                                                                                                       |            |                     |                                                                           |                                                                            |                      |                                                                           |                                                                                         |                      |                                              |
| English Grammar Online                                                   | <a href="https://www.ego4u.com/">https://www.ego4u.com/</a>                                           | —          | Grammar             | Plain grammar explanations with exercises and answers.                    | Understand a grammar point and practice it.                                | Free                 | Short, clear explanations followed directly by exercises with answers.    | Read one explanation, do one exercise, and check your answers.                          | G<br><b>LIGHT</b>    | Part 2; Grammar                              |
| <b>Light:</b> grammar pages with exercises.                              |                                                                                                       |            |                     |                                                                           |                                                                            |                      |                                                                           |                                                                                         |                      |                                              |

## 7. Pronunciation Resources

| Resource Name | Official URL                                                          | CEFR Level | Skills        | What It Is  | Primary Learning Need | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It | How to Use It | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Rachel's      | <a href="https://rachelsenglish.com/">https://rachelsenglish.com/</a> | —          | Pronunciation | Video-based | Improve               | Free /             | Clear                 | Watch one     | G                | Part 2;                       |

| Resource Name                       | Official URL                                                                                                                                                | CEFR Level | Skills                    | What It Is                                                              | Primary Learning Need                                         | Free / Paid Status          | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                                                                                              | How to Use It                                                                             | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course     |
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| English                             |                                                                                                                                                             |            | n, Speaking               | pronunciation instruction.                                              | sounds, stress, rhythm, and connected speech.                 | paid features               | demonstrations of American English pronunciation.                                                                                                                  | focused lesson, imitate the model, record yourself, and compare.                          |                  | Pronunciation                     |
| BBC Learning English                | <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish/features/pronunciation">https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish/features/pronunciation</a>                     | —          | Pronunciation             | BBC pronunciation lessons and demonstrations.                           | Practice English pronunciation and connected speech.          | Free                        | Short, focused pronunciation lessons are easy to integrate into independent study.                                                                                 | Choose one pronunciation feature, listen, repeat, and practice it in words and sentences. | G                | Part 2; Pronunciation             |
| British Council Sounds Right        | <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/apps/learnenglish-sounds-right">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/apps/learnenglish-sounds-right</a> | —          | Pronunciation             | An interactive chart of English sounds with examples.                   | Identify and practice individual English sounds.              | Free / check current access | The visual sound chart makes it useful for learners who need focused sound practice. Note: the app is no longer being updated; check that it works on your device. | Select a sound, listen to examples, repeat, and compare with your own production.         | G +              | Part 2; Pronunciation             |
| University of Iowa Sounds of Speech | <a href="https://soundsofspeech.uiowa.edu/">https://soundsofspeech.uiowa.edu/</a>                                                                           | —          | Pronunciation             | An interactive resource showing how speech sounds are produced.         | Understand mouth position and practice English sounds.        | Free                        | Visual articulatory demonstrations can make difficult sounds easier to understand.                                                                                 | Study the mouth movement for a target sound and practice it slowly, then in words.        | G                | Part 2; Pronunciation             |
| Merriam-Webster                     | <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/">https://www.merriam-webster.com/</a>                                                                             | —          | Pronunciation, Vocabulary | A dictionary with definitions, examples, and pronunciation information. | Check pronunciation and meaning of words.                     | Free / paid features        | A dependable dictionary reference for independent learners.                                                                                                        | Look up a word, listen to pronunciation, note the stress, and use it in a sentence.       | G                | Part 2; Vocabulary, Pronunciation |
| Sounds American                     | <a href="https://soundsamerican.net/">https://soundsamerican.net/</a>                                                                                       | —          | Pronunciation             | Visual lessons and minimal-pair practice for American English sounds.   | Distinguish and produce difficult vowel and consonant sounds. | Free / paid features        | Strong visual demonstrations and minimal pairs support focused pronunciation                                                                                       | Choose one sound contrast, practice the minimal pairs, then                               | G +              | Part 2; Pronunciation             |

| Resource Name                                                                              | Official URL                                                  | CEFR Level | Skills        | What It Is                                                                                                       | Primary Learning Need                                           | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                               | How to Use It                                                                | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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|                                                                                            |                                                               |            |               |                                                                                                                  |                                                                 |                      | practice.                                                           | use the sound in sentences.                                                  |                  |                               |
| Pronunciation                                                                              | <a href="https://pronuncian.com/">https://pronuncian.com/</a> | —          | Pronunciation | A pronunciation resource for American English, with free lessons, minimal pairs, and listen-and-repeat practice. | Build accurate pronunciation through systematic sound practice. | Free / paid features | Useful for structured pronunciation work and minimal-pair practice. | Follow a focused lesson and practice the target sound repeatedly in context. | G + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Pronunciation         |
| <b>Light:</b> sound lessons and minimal pairs with short audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos. |                                                               |            |               |                                                                                                                  |                                                                 |                      |                                                                     |                                                                              |                  |                               |
| Forvo                                                                                      | <a href="https://forvo.com/">https://forvo.com/</a>           | —          | Pronunciation | Recordings of single words spoken by native speakers.                                                            | Hear how a word is pronounced.                                  | Free                 | Real voices from different countries, in very small audio files.    | Search for a word, listen to two speakers, and repeat.                       | G <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Pronunciation         |
| <b>Light:</b> word recordings.                                                             |                                                               |            |               |                                                                                                                  |                                                                 |                      |                                                                     |                                                                              |                  |                               |

## 8. Speaking / Conversation Resources

| Resource Name            | Official URL                                                                              | CEFR Level | Skills                       | What It Is                                                                   | Primary Learning Need                        | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                                           | How to Use It                                                                                   | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Tandem                   | <a href="https://tandem.net/">https://tandem.net/</a>                                     | —          | Speaking, Listening          | A language-exchange platform for communicating with other learners/speakers. | Get real conversational practice.            | Free / paid features | Provides opportunities for authentic interaction.                               | Set a clear conversation goal, practice, and reflect on vocabulary or pronunciation needs.      | G <b>18+</b>     | Part 2; Speaking              |
| HelloTalk                | <a href="https://www.hellotalk.com/">https://www.hellotalk.com/</a>                       | —          | Speaking, Listening, Writing | A language-exchange community for practicing with other users.               | Use English in real communication.           | Free / paid features | Offers authentic interaction and opportunities to exchange messages and speech. | Choose a manageable topic, communicate actively, and record useful language for later practice. | G <b>18+</b>     | Part 2; Speaking, Writing     |
| ConversationExchange.com | <a href="https://www.conversationexchange.com/">https://www.conversationexchange.com/</a> | —          | Speaking, Listening          | A platform for finding language-exchange                                     | Practice conversational English with another | Free                 | Useful for learner-directed conversation                                        | Find a suitable partner, agree on a                                                             | G <b>18+</b>     | Part 2; Speaking              |

| Resource Name                                                                                                              | Official URL                                                                      | CEFR Level    | Skills                             | What It Is                                                            | Primary Learning Need                                                    | Free / Paid Status          | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                       | How to Use It                                                                              | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course       |
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|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                   |               |                                    | partners.                                                             | person.                                                                  |                             | n practice.                                                                                 | topic and goals, then reflect afterward.                                                   |                  |                                     |
| ShadowingEnglish                                                                                                           | <a href="https://shadowingenglish.com/">https://shadowingenglish.com/</a>         | A1+–advanced  | Speaking, Listening, Pronunciation | A shadowing-based speaking practice resource.                         | Improve listening, rhythm, pronunciation, and fluency through imitation. | Free / check current access | Especially useful because it provides accessible shadowing practice, including A1 material. | Listen to a short model, then shadow it repeatedly until your speech becomes more natural. | G +              | Part 2; Speaking, Pronunciation     |
| <b>Light:</b> lesson pages with short audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the offline version download. After that, it uses no data. |                                                                                   |               |                                    |                                                                       |                                                                          |                             |                                                                                             |                                                                                            |                  |                                     |
| ESL Fast / Rong-Chang                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.eslfast.com/speaking/">https://www.eslfast.com/speaking/</a> | —             | Speaking, Listening, Reading       | Short dialogues and practical English conversations.                  | Practice everyday and workplace conversation with accessible texts.      | Free                        | Large collection of short dialogues makes repeated practice easy.                           | Read, listen if available, repeat, role-play, and substitute your own information.         | G + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Speaking; Workplace English |
| <b>Light:</b> short dialogues and stories with audio.                                                                      |                                                                                   |               |                                    |                                                                       |                                                                          |                             |                                                                                             |                                                                                            |                  |                                     |
| EnglishSpeak                                                                                                               | <a href="https://www.englishspeak.com/">https://www.englishspeak.com/</a>         | A1–A2 approx. | Speaking, Listening                | Common phrases and short lessons with audio at slow and normal speed. | Learn and practice everyday phrases.                                     | Free / paid features        | Slow and normal audio for every sentence helps beginners repeat accurately.                 | Choose one lesson, listen at slow speed, repeat, then listen at normal speed.              | G + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Speaking                    |
| <b>Light:</b> lessons and phrases with short audio.                                                                        |                                                                                   |               |                                    |                                                                       |                                                                          |                             |                                                                                             |                                                                                            |                  |                                     |
| ITESLJ Conversation Questions                                                                                              | <a href="http://iteslj.org/questions/">http://iteslj.org/questions/</a>           | —             | Speaking                           | Lists of conversation questions on many topics, in plain text.        | Find questions to practice speaking with a partner.                      | Free                        | Hundreds of ready-made questions on very light pages.                                       | Choose a topic, pick five questions, and ask and answer them with a friend.                | G <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; Speaking                    |
| <b>Light:</b> all pages (text only).                                                                                       |                                                                                   |               |                                    |                                                                       |                                                                          |                             |                                                                                             |                                                                                            |                  |                                     |

## 9. Writing

| Resource Name | Official URL                                                            | CEFR Level | Skills  | What It Is | Primary Learning Need | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It | How to Use It | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Cambridge     | <a href="https://writeandimprove.com/">https://writeandimprove.com/</a> | —          | Writing | An online  | Write                 | Free               | Makes                 | Choose a      | G                | Part 2;                       |

| Resource Name                                                               | Official URL                                                                                                                                                  | CEFR Level | Skills           | What It Is                                                                                                                                    | Primary Learning Need                                               | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                                | How to Use It                                                                               | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course      |
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| Write & Improve                                                             |                                                                                                                                                               |            |                  | writing-practice and feedback tool from Cambridge. It can be used without registering.                                                        | regularly and receive feedback for revision.                        |                      | repeated writing and revision practical for independent learners.    | task, write, study the feedback, revise, and compare versions.                              | <b>LIGHT</b>     | Writing                            |
| <b>Light:</b> writing a text and getting feedback.                          |                                                                                                                                                               |            |                  |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                     |                      |                                                                      |                                                                                             |                  |                                    |
| British Council LearnEnglish Teens A1 Writing                               | <a href="https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/skills/writing/a1-writing">https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/skills/writing/a1-writing</a>   | A1         | Writing          | A1 writing lessons and tasks from British Council LearnEnglish Teens.                                                                         | Build basic writing ability through guided tasks.                   | Free                 | Provides accessible models and structured beginner writing practice. | Choose a task, study the model, write your own version, and check it against the objective. | G + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Writing; A1+ support       |
| <b>Light:</b> writing lessons and PDF worksheets.                           |                                                                                                                                                               |            |                  |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                     |                      |                                                                      |                                                                                             |                  |                                    |
| Quill.org                                                                   | <a href="https://www.quill.org/">https://www.quill.org/</a>                                                                                                   | —          | Writing, Grammar | Interactive sentence-writing and grammar activities from a nonprofit, made for school students.                                               | Build sentence-level writing accuracy.                              | Free / paid features | Immediate feedback supports repeated practice and revision.          | Complete a short activity, examine feedback, correct errors, and try again.                 | G <b>MEDIUM</b>  | Part 2; Writing, Grammar           |
| <b>Medium:</b> sentence-writing and grammar activities. You must be online. |                                                                                                                                                               |            |                  |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                     |                      |                                                                      |                                                                                             |                  |                                    |
| USA Learns                                                                  | <a href="https://www.usalearns.org/">https://www.usalearns.org/</a>                                                                                           | A1-B1      | Writing, Grammar | Structured writing activities within an integrated English course. Needs good internet: the courses use video. Free registration is required. | Develop practical writing from beginner through intermediate level. | Free                 | Combines writing with vocabulary and grammar in a guided sequence.   | Follow the writing lesson, complete the task, and review corrections.                       | G W +            | Part 2; Writing; Workplace English |
| ReadWriteThink Student Interactives                                         | <a href="https://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/student-interactives">https://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/student-interactives</a> | —          | Writing, Reading | Interactive literacy and writing activities.                                                                                                  | Plan, organize, draft, and develop                                  | Free                 | Provides structured tools for the writing                            | Choose an interactive that matches                                                          | G                | Part 2; Writing                    |

| Resource Name | Official URL                                                      | CEFR Level | Skills           | What It Is                                                    | Primary Learning Need            | Free / Paid Status   | Why JBK Recommends It                                                          | How to Use It                                                                                   | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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|               |                                                                   |            |                  |                                                               | writing.                         |                      | process.                                                                       | your writing goal and use it to plan or develop a text.                                         |                  |                               |
| LanguageTool  | <a href="https://languagetool.org/">https://languagetool.org/</a> | —          | Writing, Grammar | A grammar and spelling checker that works without an account. | Check your writing for mistakes. | Free / paid features | Shows mistakes with short explanations; no sign-up is needed for basic checks. | Write your text first, paste it in, and try to understand each correction before you accept it. | G W <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Writing               |

**Light:** checking your writing.

## 10. Structured / Practical English Learning Resources

| Resource Name         | Official URL                                                                    | CEFR Level     | Skills                                                     | What It Is                                                                                                                     | Primary Learning Need                                                         | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                        | How to Use It                                                                                               | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course                             |
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| USA Learns            | <a href="https://www.usalearns.org/">https://www.usalearns.org/</a>             | A1–B1          | Listening, Reading, Speaking, Writing, Vocabulary, Grammar | A structured course-based English-learning program. Needs good internet: the courses use video. Free registration is required. | Follow a coherent path while building core English skills.                    | Free               | One of the strongest choices when an independent learner needs structure.    | Choose a course and progress systematically while recording goals and reflections.                          | G W +              | Part 2; General and Workplace English                     |
| Breaking News English | <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/</a> | A2 (Low)–C1/C2 | Listening, Reading, Vocabulary, Speaking, Writing          | News-based lessons offered at multiple levels with activities.                                                                 | Practice English through current-topic texts and audio at a manageable level. | Free               | Large amount of level-differentiated material supports independent practice. | Choose the level closest to your ability, complete several activities, then reuse the topic for speaking or | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; Listening, Reading, Vocabulary, Speaking, Writing |

| Resource Name                                                                                                                        | Official URL                                                                                          | CEFR Level    | Skills                                                     | What It Is                                                                                                                                                                             | Primary Learning Need                                                         | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                            | How to Use It                                                                                                                          | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course         |
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| <b>Light:</b> Level 0 to Level 3 stories, the short PDFs (2 or 7 pages), and the short audio. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the 27-page lesson. |                                                                                                       |               |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                               |                    |                                                                                  | writing.                                                                                                                               |                    |                                       |
| REEPworld                                                                                                                            | <a href="https://reepworld.org/">https://reepworld.org/</a>                                           | A1–A2 approx. | Listening, Reading, Speaking, Writing, Vocabulary, Grammar | A free English practice website for adult learners and their teachers, with story lessons for beginners about family, health, and work, plus printable worksheets. No login is needed. | Practice practical English through structured adult-learning lessons.         | Free               | Practical, adult-oriented content fits independent learners and real-life needs. | Learners: choose a story lesson that matches your goal and work through its activities. Teachers: print the worksheets for your class. | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; General and Workplace English |
| <b>Light:</b> the printable worksheets. <b>Medium:</b> the story lessons with pictures and audio. You must be online.                |                                                                                                       |               |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                               |                    |                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                        |                    |                                       |
| Rong-Chang / ESL Fast                                                                                                                | <a href="https://www.eslfast.com/">https://www.eslfast.com/</a>                                       | —             | Listening, Reading, Speaking, Writing                      | A large collection of short practical English texts and dialogues.                                                                                                                     | Practice everyday and practical English through short, repeatable activities. | Free               | The short format makes repeated independent practice easy.                       | Choose a short dialogue or text, read/listen, repeat, and adapt the language to yourself.                                              | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 2; General and Workplace English |
| <b>Light:</b> short dialogues and stories with audio.                                                                                |                                                                                                       |               |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                               |                    |                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                        |                    |                                       |
| Learn American English Online                                                                                                        | <a href="https://www.learnamericanenglishonline.com/">https://www.learnamericanenglishonline.com/</a> | A1–B1 approx. | Grammar, Reading, Writing, Vocabulary                      | A free step-by-step course in seven levels, with text lessons and optional videos.                                                                                                     | Follow an organized course from the beginning.                                | Free               | A clear path from level to level; the text lessons work without video.           | Start at your level and do one lesson each day.                                                                                        | G + <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; General English               |
| <b>Light:</b> text lessons. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> videos.                                                                               |                                                                                                       |               |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                               |                    |                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                        |                    |                                       |

## 11. Mini-Courses / Short Courses

| Resource Name                                                                                                              | Official URL                                                                                  | CEFR Level    | Skills                                | What It Is                                                       | Primary Learning Need                                                   | Free / Paid Status               | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                                | How to Use It                                                                                     | Resource Markers  | Where to Use It in the Course         |
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| Alison English Hub                                                                                                         | <a href="https://alison.com/tag/english-language">https://alison.com/tag/english-language</a> | —             | Integrated skills                     | A collection of English courses organized as a learning pathway. | Choose a short course or sequence for a specific English-learning need. | Free courses / paid certificates | Offers a broad set of structured English courses and an English assessment.                          | Use the assessment/pathway to select a suitable course; complete it with a clear personal goal.   | G W +             | Part 2; General and Workplace English |
| OpenLearn — The Open University                                                                                            | <a href="https://www.open.edu/openlearn/">https://www.open.edu/openlearn/</a>                 | —             | Integrated skills                     | Free, self-paced courses from The Open University.               | Study English-related topics through short structured courses.          | Free                             | Good for learners who prefer course-based independent study.                                         | Search for an appropriate English course, set a completion goal, and reflect on what you learned. | G W <b>MEDIUM</b> | Part 2; General and Workplace English |
| <b>Medium:</b> download a course as a PDF or e-book file and study offline. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> courses with video.         |                                                                                               |               |                                       |                                                                  |                                                                         |                                  |                                                                                                      |                                                                                                   |                   |                                       |
| Saylor Academy ESL Courses                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.saylor.org/">https://www.saylor.org/</a>                                 | A2 and higher | Reading, Writing, Grammar, Vocabulary | Free self-study English courses with a free certificate.         | Take a complete course and earn a certificate.                          | Free (account needed)            | Only the final exam counts, so learners can study from the reading lessons. The certificate is free. | Make an account, study the reading lessons, and take the final exam where the internet is good.   | G W <b>LIGHT</b>  | Part 2; General and Workplace English |
| <b>Light:</b> the reading lessons. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> the app download and the videos. The final exam needs good internet. |                                                                                               |               |                                       |                                                                  |                                                                         |                                  |                                                                                                      |                                                                                                   |                   |                                       |

## 12. AI Learning Tools

| Resource Name                                                                          | Official URL                                                        | CEFR Level | Skills     | What It Is                                                                                                            | Primary Learning Need                                                  | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                              | How to Use It                                                                                                       | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| ChatGPT                                                                                | <a href="https://chatgpt.com/">https://chatgpt.com/</a>             | —          | All skills | A general-purpose AI assistant that can act as a tutor, coach, conversation partner, editor, and materials generator. | Create personalized practice, explanations, feedback, and study plans. | Free / paid plans  | Highly flexible and useful across many independent-learning tasks. | Give a clear learning goal and ask AI to support practice; do the language work yourself and reflect on the result. | G <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; AI Learning Tools     |
| <b>Light:</b> writing to the AI. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> talking to the AI with your voice. |                                                                     |            |            |                                                                                                                       |                                                                        |                    |                                                                    |                                                                                                                     |                  |                               |
| Google Gemini                                                                          | <a href="https://gemini.google.com/">https://gemini.google.com/</a> | —          | All skills | A general-purpose AI assistant for language-learning support.                                                         | Create practice, explanations, feedback, and study activities.         | Free / paid plans  | Flexible general-purpose support for independent learners.         | State your CEFR level and objective, request a specific learning task, then evaluate the output.                    | G <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; AI Learning Tools     |
| <b>Light:</b> writing to the AI. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> talking to the AI with your voice. |                                                                     |            |            |                                                                                                                       |                                                                        |                    |                                                                    |                                                                                                                     |                  |                               |
| Grammarl                                                                               | <a href="https://">https://</a>                                     | —          | Writing,   | An AI writing                                                                                                         | Improve                                                                | Free /             | Useful for                                                         | Write first,                                                                                                        | G W              | Part 2;                       |

| Resource Name | Official URL                                                | CEFR Level | Skills                       | What It Is                                                                                                                                                     | Primary Learning Need                                                      | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                                                                                                                                   | How to Use It                                                                                                  | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course                  |
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| y             | <a href="https://www.grammarly.com/">www.grammarly.com/</a> |            | Grammar                      | assistant that provides writing suggestions and feedback.                                                                                                      | clarity, correctness, and style in English writing.                        | paid features      | revision when the learner remains responsible for the original writing.                                                                                                                 | review suggestions, decide which changes are appropriate, and learn from recurring errors.                     |                  | Writing; Workplace English                     |
| Otter.ai      | <a href="https://otter.ai/">https://otter.ai/</a>           | —          | Listening, Speaking          | An AI transcription and meeting-notes tool.                                                                                                                    | Turn spoken English into text for review and study.                        | Free / paid plans  | Useful for examining real spoken English and reviewing conversations.                                                                                                                   | Use a permitted recording, inspect the transcript, identify language to study, and summarize what you heard.   | G W              | Part 2; Listening, Speaking; Workplace English |
| Edcafe AI     | <a href="https://www.edcafe.ai/">https://www.edcafe.ai/</a> | —          | All skills                   | A teacher tool: an AI toolkit built for teachers, for creating quizzes, chatbots, reading activities, lesson plans, and other interactive learning activities. | Create customized practice, quizzes, lessons, and AI-supported activities. | Free / paid plans  | Especially useful for turning a learner's goal into personalized practice. Designed mainly for teachers; it takes some effort to learn, but you can use it to create your own practice. | Create or use one focused activity at a time and evaluate whether it helps meet the learning objective.        | G W +            | Part 2; AI Learning Tools; Workplace English   |
| Diffit        | <a href="https://web.diffit.me/">https://web.diffit.me/</a> | —          | Reading, Vocabulary, Writing | A teacher tool: an AI tool that adapts materials to different reading levels and creates activities. It is made for teachers and has no student logins.        | Make texts more accessible and generate practice from them.                | Free / paid plans  | Useful for adapting authentic materials to a learner's current ability. Designed mainly for teachers; it takes some effort to learn, but you can use it to create your own practice.    | Start with a useful text, adapt it to a manageable level, then practice vocabulary, comprehension, or writing. | G W +            | Part 2; Reading, Vocabulary, Writing           |

| Resource Name                    | Official URL                                                    | CEFR Level | Skills                      | What It Is                                                                            | Primary Learning Need                                        | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                                  | How to Use It                                                                                                            | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Duolingo                         | <a href="https://en.duolingo.com/">https://en.duolingo.com/</a> | —          | Integrated skills, Speaking | A gamified language-learning platform with English courses and AI-supported features. | Build regular English practice habits through short lessons. | Free / paid plans  | Easy to use for frequent practice and motivation.                      | Use short daily practice connected to a larger personal goal; do not let the app replace broader communication practice. | G +              | Part 2; General English       |
| Meta AI in WhatsApp              | In the WhatsApp app                                             | —          | All skills                  | An AI assistant inside WhatsApp.                                                      | Get AI help by text inside an app you already use.           | Free               | Text chat uses very little data. Note: not available in every country. | Open the Meta AI chat in WhatsApp and write your question.                                                               | G <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 2; AI Learning Tools     |
| <b>Light:</b> writing to the AI. |                                                                 |            |                             |                                                                                       |                                                              |                    |                                                                        |                                                                                                                          |                  |                               |

### 13. How to Learn English — Study Skills & Strategies

| Resource Name                                         | Official URL                                                                                                                                                                          | CEFR Level     | Skills                   | What It Is                                                                                                                                                                                      | Primary Learning Need                                     | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It                                            | How to Use It                                                                                | Resource Markers   | Where to Use It in the Course                  |
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| British Council LearnEnglish — Study Skills Tips      | <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/free-resources/reading/a2/study-skills-tips">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/free-resources/reading/a2/study-skills-tips</a> | A2             | Study skills, Reading    | Study-skills guidance embedded in LearnEnglish A2 materials.                                                                                                                                    | Learn practical strategies for independent English study. | Free               | Directly supports the learner-management side of the course.     | Choose one study strategy, try it during English practice, and reflect on whether it helped. | G + <b>LIGHT</b>   | Part 1; JBK Independent Learning Cycle; Part 2 |
| <b>Light:</b> the reading page and its PDF worksheet. |                                                                                                                                                                                       |                |                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                           |                    |                                                                  |                                                                                              |                    |                                                |
| EnglishClub — How to Learn English                    | <a href="https://www.englishclub.com/learn-english/">https://www.englishclub.com/learn-english/</a>                                                                                   | A1+–B2 approx. | Study skills, All skills | A very large general hub for learning English: free lessons, quizzes, and practice for all skills, including guidance on learning independently (goals, routines, and balanced skill practice). | Plan and manage independent English learning.             | Free               | Complements the JBK approach with practical self-study guidance. | Set a goal, make a simple study plan, balance skills, and review your progress.              | G W + <b>LIGHT</b> | Part 1; JBK Independent Learning Cycle; Part 2 |

| Resource Name      | Official URL | CEFR Level | Skills | What It Is | Primary Learning Need | Free / Paid Status | Why JBK Recommends It | How to Use It | Resource Markers | Where to Use It in the Course |
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| Light: text pages. |              |            |        |            |                       |                    |                       |               |                  |                               |

## 14. Strategies and Tools

The Part 2 chapters refer to these tools and strategies. SKELL, YouGlish, and Visual Thesaurus are listed in Section 5.

### Tools

| Tool                                                                                                              | Official URL                                                                                              | What It Helps With                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Free / Paid Status            | Where to Use It in the Course          |
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| Anki                                                                                                              | <a href="https://apps.ankiweb.net/">https://apps.ankiweb.net/</a>                                         | Flashcards with spaced repetition. Review words and phrases just before you are likely to forget them.                                                                                                                 | Free (the iPhone app is paid) | Part 2; Vocabulary, Grammar            |
| <b>Data marker:</b> WI-FI. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> download the app one time. After that, it uses no data.             |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                               |                                        |
| VocabGrabber (Visual Thesaurus)                                                                                   | <a href="https://www.visualthesaurus.com/vocabgrabber/">https://www.visualthesaurus.com/vocabgrabber/</a> | Paste a text and get a list of its most useful words, with examples from the text.                                                                                                                                     | Free / paid features          | Part 2; Vocabulary, Reading            |
| Twee                                                                                                              | <a href="https://twee.com/">https://twee.com/</a>                                                         | A teacher tool: an AI tool that creates CEFR-level texts, dialogues, and exercises on a topic you choose. Designed mainly for teachers; it takes some effort to learn, but you can use it to create your own practice. | Free / paid plans             | Part 2; Vocabulary, Reading, Listening |
| Google Translate                                                                                                  | <a href="https://translate.google.com/">https://translate.google.com/</a>                                 | Translate words and sentences between English and your language. You can download a language and use it with no internet.                                                                                              | Free                          | Part 2; Vocabulary, Reading            |
| <b>Data marker:</b> WI-FI. <b>Wi-Fi only:</b> download your language one time. After that, it works with no data. |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                               |                                        |

### Rebecca Oxford Learning Strategies

Rebecca Oxford, a language-learning researcher, grouped learning strategies into six types. The Part 2 chapters show a few examples; here is the full set:

- **Memory strategies** help you remember new language (for example, making connections or grouping words).
- **Cognitive strategies** help you work directly with the language (for example, practicing, taking notes, or summarizing).
- **Compensation strategies** help you communicate when you don't know a word (for example, guessing from context or paraphrasing).
- **Metacognitive strategies** help you manage your learning (planning, monitoring, and evaluating).
- **Affective strategies** help you manage your feelings (for example, lowering anxiety or rewarding yourself).
- **Social strategies** help you learn with other people (for example, asking questions or practicing with a partner).

Try a strategy from a group you don't usually use, and record the result in your Strategy Record.

### SQ3R

SQ3R is a reading method for longer texts: **Survey** → **Question** → **Read** → **Recite** → **Review**. Survey the title, headings, and pictures; write questions you expect the text to answer; read to find the answers; explain the main ideas in your own words without looking; then review the text and your notes. It is one tool you can choose, not a requirement.

### Cornell Notes

Cornell Notes organize a page into three parts: a large **Notes** area for important information, a narrow **Questions / Key Words** column beside it, and a short **Summary** at the bottom. Cover the notes and use the questions to test yourself. Cornell Notes work for reading, listening, and your other courses.

### Gardner's Multiple Intelligences

Howard Gardner suggested that people have different kinds of intelligence, such as linguistic, logical-mathematical, visual, musical, interpersonal, and intrapersonal. The course uses his ideas to help you notice which activities work well for you. Use your strengths, but don't limit yourself to them.

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**You are the learner who does the work.**

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