

Prioritizing Your Listening Needs

Below are some common situations for which you need to develop listening strategies. Write what your current level of proficiency for each situation is. Then decide which situations are the most important for you to develop your listening skills.

Star * the 5 most important to you	Language focus: Listening	Proficiency 1-5 (1= very poor; 5= very good).
	Conversations	
	Dictations	
	Discussions	
	Entertainment	
	Instructions	
	Lectures	
	TV (state type of program)	
	Radio (state type of program)	
	Songs	
	Talks and presentations	
	Telephone conversations	
	Others:	

How many hours per week do you spend watching TV in English?

How many hours per week do you spend listening to music in English?

How many hours per week do you spend listening to the radio in English?

How many hours per week do you spend having conversations in English (not in English class)?

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