

HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR PRONUNCIATION?



<http://florenceconrard.over-blog.com/2023/01/pronunciation-challenge.html>

1 - Listen! Listening to examples of authentic speech is the most obvious way to improve your own pronunciation. There are lots of ways to do this - watch a film in its original version, listen to podcasts about a topic that interests you in English, even listening to music can help.

Try to notice the intonation that people use. You can add to this by 'shadowing'. Shadowing means listening to a short sentence or phrase, and then repeating it afterwards, trying to imitate the sounds, intonation and word stress and noticing how your mouth and tongue move when you speak.

2. Record yourself! Once you have practiced shadowing, you could record yourself speaking - either repeating a short phrase that you have listened to, or doing a longer speaking task from a coursebook, like describing a picture. Listen back and make a note of any sounds that you have problems with - practice these words / sounds slowly and then record yourself again. Can you notice an improvement?

TASK 1: Listen to the recording "A secret identity" on Miss Conrard's blog and try to "imitate" the accent.

Banksy's an anonymous street artist that got his start in Bristol. He's not only an artist, he's a political activist and a film director. The world is his canvas. He mostly does his pieces on walls and bridges throughout the entire world and Banksy is actually against people selling his artwork.

TASK 2: Now, record yourself.