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A problem-based approach

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These workshops are a bit like therapy!

Think about a class you've taught in English that didn't go well.

In my last class there was a moment when I went blank. I couldn't find the right words.

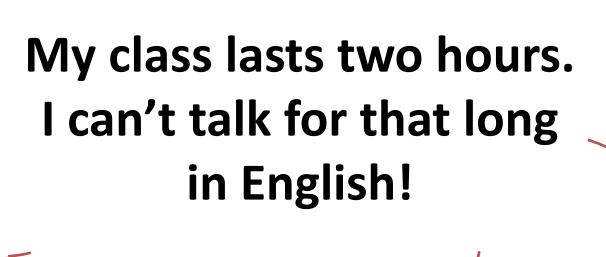
Yeah! It's horrible, but what I try to do is...

It happens to all of us sometimes.

Feedback 2 Use strategies in classroom Feedback 1 **Practice strategies Develop strategies Identify concerns Honest exchange**

Is that a concern I share?

How could that technique be adapted for my class/institution?





This family of **Syrian refugees** has just arrived in **Hungary**.

Which countries has the family already travelled through?

•What difficulties did they face there?

What current-affairs videos could be used for **problem-based learning** in my class / institution?

Bringing experts into the classroom



Using experts outside the classroom





Basic expressions for classroom management

- Come in and sit down, please.
- Who wasn't here last time?
- Can everyone see alright?
- Please get out the materials from last week
- How did you get on?
- OK, let's move on.
- We need to keep the noise down a bit.
- Who would like to do this?
- OK everyone, just a couple more minutes to finish off this activity.
- Can you get into groups of three, please.
- Work with a partner/the person sitting next to you, don't do this on your own.
- What did you get for number 5?
- Is that clear or shall I go through it again?
- Let's hear from the group at the back/front.
- You'll find the instructions on the handout.
- Please review the material we covered today in class
- Don't forget to finish this off for next time.
- I'll put the homework on aula global
- The deadline for this assignment is...
- See you all again on Tuesday.

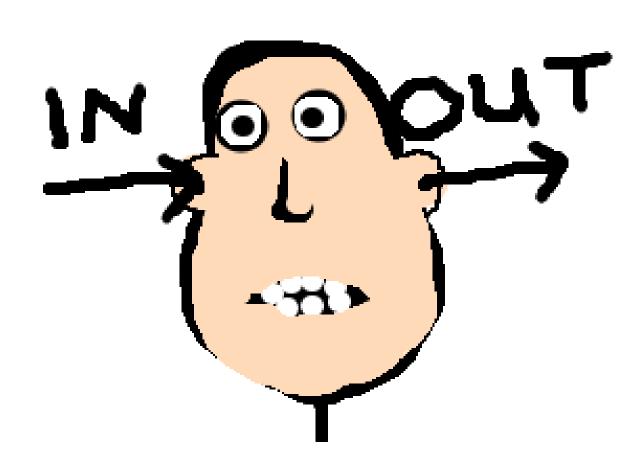
My class lasts two hours. I can't talk for that long in English!

Don't even try to!
Using a variety of sources is enriching.

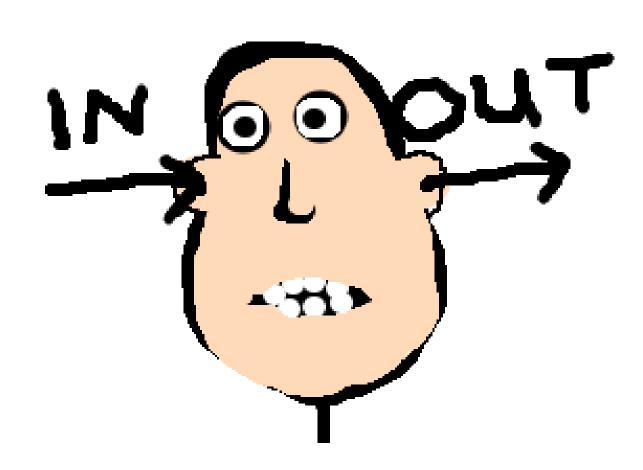
Create
opportunities to
practice speaking
English in your
university.

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Keywords

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sheltered content
classroom dynamics
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Content assimilated through group work



Use images and objects to reinforce aural transmission



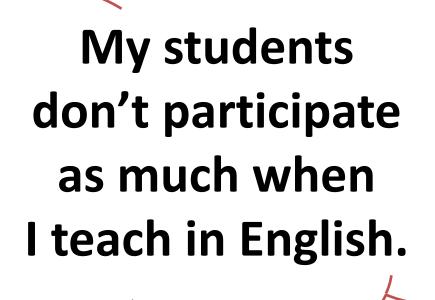
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Use text, keywords, and visual sources to reinforce the aural message.

Use group work.
Students can
resolve doubts
and assimilate
content through
practice.



What is a cyanobacteria and how is it connected to the GOE?

What is a **cyanobacteria** and how is it connected to the **Great Oxygenation Event** (GOE)?

Past human footprints in modern landscapes

Multiple choice test (only one answer is correct)

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- 1. What is a **cyanobacteria**?
 - a. the first intelligent bacteria
 - b. the first red bacteria
 - c. the first photosynthetic organism
- 2. When did oxygen levels in the atmosphere start to increase?
 - a. 3 million years ago
 - b. 3 billion years ago
 - c. it never happened



Encouraging students to answer questions

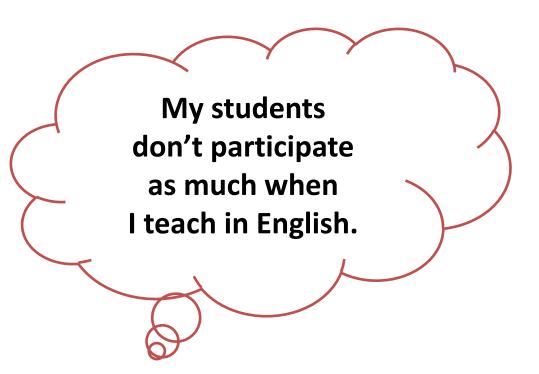
Step 1: Encourage

Thank you. Yes. Well done. Very good. Absolutely. Exactly. Good point. Very interesting, Excellent...

Step 2: Correct /go into more depth

- Do you think there are any other possibilities?
- Some other important aspects that we could consider are...
- Has anyone got an alternative?
- There are a few other things we could also mention here. Any suggestions?
- But perhaps it would be better to...
- The only aspects I'd like to add are, first, ... second, ...
- You're right, but what about the possibility that...
- Regarding X, let's highlight some issues. First, ...Second, ...
- To make that even clearer we could...
- How could we put that in a more concise way?
- But what would work in every case? Does anyone have any suggestions?





My students don't participate as much when I teach in English.

Try using quizzes, group work and incentives to encourage participation.

Improve class
dynamics by learning
students' names and
organizing the space
well.

The kind of materials and tasks I usually use are too hard now the class is in English.



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Commentari:

Vaig treure un 4,5 en aquesta matèria perquè el professor no parla bé l'anglès i no vaig entendre res.

Office hours

Do come and see me if you would like to talk about any aspect of the course.

Thursdays 10.00-12.00, room 20.153

Please email first to make an appointment sarah.collins@upf.edu

Day 1: Icebreaker

1. Which topics covered in this course interest you most? Why?

2. Which aspects do you think will be most difficult for you?

3. If you have difficulties, how could you address them?

Quick end-of-class reflection

- 1. What was the most important thing you learned during the class?
- 2. What was the most difficult point for you?
- What questions do you still have?
- 4. What did you find most useful for understanding the class material?
- 5. Try to summarize the main ideas of the class in a sentence.

Mid-term questionaire

I'm satisfied with my progress in this course. very / quite / not very / not at all I've attended _____ of classes. 100% / more than 80% / less than 80% My participation in group work has been _____. as active as possible/quite active / not very active / minimal I've completed _____ of the homework assignments. all / most / some / none I think I could improve my performance by... I'd like to make these suggestions to the teacher...

Reflect: what worked, what didn't? What next?



Students won't give me such good feedback as usual.

Encourage students to take responsibility for their learning. Take time to reflect after every class.
Get feedback on teaching and language from peers and trainers.

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