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Culture is the habit of being pleased with the best and knowing why.

Speak softly, love

Hate being an audience,
Build your own stage.
Don’t criticize how
Others play their roles,
But play yours well.

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- With a review of NCSIST website

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- **Language learning**
  - Conscious process - learned competence
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What language looks like

- **Sentence structure**

  - $S + Vi$
  - $S + Vi + SC$
  - $S + Vt + O$
  - $S + Vt + IO + DO$
  - $S + Vt + O + OC$

Different ways to organize the part of speech

Modifiers

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What language looks like

- **Use full sentences and full stops**

  I will see you next week, meanwhile please let me see some samples soon.
What language looks like

- Use full sentences and full stops instead of

  I will see you next week, meanwhile please let me see some samples soon.

say

  I will see you next week. Meanwhile please let me see some samples soon.

Practice:

  I will see you next week.
  Meanwhile please let me see some samples soon.
What language looks like

- 21st century and old-fashioned writing

**Old-fashioned:**
- Please be informed that the electric system will be tested at 10 am.

**21st century:**
- The electric system will be tested at 10 am.
What language looks like

- **21st century and old-fashioned language**
  
  - Please find enclosed herewith a copy…(old)
    I am pleased to enclose our…
  
  - Appreciate if you could help to process…(old)
    Please process…
  
  - Could I please request your kind assistance in…(old)
    I hope you will take a few minutes to…
What language looks like

- **KISS**
  - Keep
  - It
  - Short and
  - Simple

In spite of the fact that... despite
regarding... about
utilize... use
require... need
We would like to ask you to... Please

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What language looks like

- Not passive voice, but active voice
  - Arrangements have been made for…
    I have arranged for…
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    I have looked into the matter.
What language looks like

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252 errors out of 65 webpages
Noun

• Singular vs. plural / THE vs. zero article

The radar system provides up and down link for air defense missiles.

The acquired information can be used to guide the flight of a missile.

The radar system is useful to enhance the achievement of various types of weapon development.
Increasing the keep-alive benefits of the mobile phased array radar…

Surging takes place when compressor is operated off the design point.

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Noun

- Singular vs. plural / THE vs. zero article

Description: +(e)s

The radar system provides up and down link for air defense missiles

Introduction: the

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Noun

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General: + (e)s

The radar system provides up and down link for air defense missiles

Specific: the

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Noun

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Concrete

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Abstract - system

Surging takes place when compressor is operated off the design point.

You can contact me by email.
Noun

• Singular vs. plural / THE vs. zero article

Question 1

(a) HARD CHOICE
(b) A HARD CHOICE
(c) THE HARD CHOICE
(d) HARD CHOICES
(e) THE HARD CHOICES

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Noun

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**Question 1**

- (b) A HARD CHOICE
- (c) THE HARD CHOICE
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- (e) THE HARD CHOICES
- (a) HARD CHOICE

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Question 2  which one is not an appropriate title

(a) Advanced aeronautical materials
(b) Simulation and video surveillance systems
(c) Power systems
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Adjective

- Noun as adjective or adjective phrases

Bank of Taiwan  Taiwan Art Bank

Taiwan Bank
Adjective

• Noun as adjective or adjective phrases

The missile can fly at sea-skimming altitude to reduce the probability of interception of enemy’s defense system.

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Adjective

• Noun as adjective or adjective phrases

…for various kinds of tactic and strategy applications.
…for various kinds of applications of strategy and tactics.

Designed for day/night military/civil missions such as intelligence acquisition, surveillance, reconnaissance, environmental research, and coastal patrol.

Operation Research
Adjective

• As for fire control system, in order to make the user operation interface more superior than the previous version, the improvement will focus on the automation of mission planning.

• As for fire control system, in order to make the user operation interface superior to the previous version, the improvement will be focused on the automated mission planning.
Adjective

• Question 3

The Su-37, equipped with AL-37FU engines, has the maximum loading up to 10G and the dogfighting ability ten times
(a) more than fighters with traditional engine nozzles.
(b) more superior than those of fighters with traditional engine nozzles.
(c) superior to that of fighters with traditional engine nozzles.
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Adjective

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Adjective

• Question 4

(a) Conceptual next-generation fighter design
(b) Next-generation concept design of fighter
(c) Concept design of next-generation fighters
(d) Next-generation fighter concept design
(e) Conceptual design of next-generation fighter
Adjective

• Question 4

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Adjective

• Noun form and adjective form of the verb

Gender change

Verb record recording
Noun record to record

Adjective recording to record recorded
(to) record (p52/57)

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Adjective

- Noun form and adjective form of the verb

Multiple Meaning Vocabulary

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Adjective

• Noun form and adjective form of the verb

Recording and playback functions.

Record and playback functions.

100 Meters, 100 Years Old: Ida Keeling Breaks Racing record.
Adjective

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Application of **thrust vectoring technology** can significantly enhance the maneuvering performance of fighters.

By incorporating **vectored thrust engines**, the S-27, S-37, and Mig 1.44 were thoroughly performance-enhanced.
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Thrust vectoring nozzles have been the standard equipment for next generation fighters.
Adjective

• Noun form and adjective form of the verb

The seeker can intercept air-threatening weapons such as ballistic…

Achieve the missions of creating value added for military and civil industries.
Adjective

• Participial construction

Equipped with the anti-ship missile seeker, developed by NCSIST, the supersonic anti-ship missile shows the excellent performance…

Chasing the same dream, engineers start a great day at the moment the sun is over the horizon.
Structure

• We can **deploy** radars with GPS system and coalition design, and these technologies can **solve** topographic blanking problem…

• We can **deploy** radars with GPS system and coalition design, (and these technologies can) **to solve** topographic blanking problem…
Structure

• When the supersonic anti-ship missile equipped with this seeker developed by NCSIST, it shows the excellent performances of…

• Equipped with the anti-ship missile seeker, developed by NCSIST, the supersonic anti-ship missile shows the excellent performance…
Pronoun

• When the supersonic anti-ship missile equipped with this seeker developed by NCSIST, it shows the excellent performances of…

• Equipped with the anti-ship missile seeker, developed by NCSIST, the supersonic anti-ship missile shows the excellent performance…
The high precision active seeker, the latest product developed by NCSIST, can be equipped on a surface-to-air missile. This product, which is capable of all…

The Su-37, equipped with AL-37FU engines, has the maximum loading up to 10G and the dogfighting ability ten times superior to that of fighters with traditional engine nozzles.

Pronoun

• Avoid repetition
Preposition

• The design of system-managed-by-software is adopted for the (in this) product. By the advanced design (included in this) for the product,…

• The ultra wide band passive seeker can be applied to (in) several aerial vehicles
Preposition

• …which can **provide** aircrew **with** the distance information…

• In addition to **supplying** sufficient air flow to engine, …
Preposition

• Question 5

This article presents an approach

(a) for developing high thrust engines
(b) to develop high thrust engines
(c) of developing high thrust engines
(d) to developing high thrust engines
(e) on developing high thrust engines
Preposition

• Question 5

This article presents an approach

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(b) to develop high thrust engines
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Verb

• …the HF III adopts ramjet engine as its propulsion system. It makes the speed of the missile increased substantially.

• …the HF III adopts ramjet engine as its propulsion system to make the speed of the missile increase substantially.
Verb

- …transmit information to the C4ISR, which plays preemptive and combined operations effects.

- Taiwan’s main threat comes from the surrounding oceans.
Verb

• A sender **need(s)** not tell the receivers what the pass phrase is.

• **After acquiring target parameters, it will response to ...**
  After acquiring target parameters, **the system responses**
Verb

• As technology advances, the rise of the Internet of Things (IoT) (will make) makes all electronic devices connected through the internet.

• …made ROC be one of the few countries able to produce(ing) this kind of missile.
Conjunction

• The HF III supersonic anti-ship missile adopts the advanced design of Integrated Rocket Ramjet (IRR). It can minimize the size and weight of the missile. And also increase the operational flexibility …

• The HF III supersonic anti-ship missile adopts the advanced design of Integrated Rocket Ramjet (IRR) which minimizes the size and weight of the missile and increases the operational flexibility …
Conjunction

• It integrates high electronic technology to provide target information, and help Tian-Gong weapon system to accomplish multi-target engagements.

• The Fixed Phased Array Radar integrates high electronic technology to provide target information and helps Tian-Gong weapon system accomplish multi-target engagements.
Conjunction

• This equipment completely follows ITU-T standard with IP67 waterproofing box, lightweight design, suitable for outdoor and mobility use.

• The system completely follows ITU-T standard with IP67 waterproofing box, and is lightweight design, suitable for outdoors and mobile uses.
Adverb

- Additionally, the system can be widely used for civil applications such as agriculture, fisheries,…

- The system completely follows ITU-T standard with IP67 waterproofing box, and is lightweight design, suitable for outdoors and mobile uses.
Adverb

Question 6

The world really needs a _____ binding agreement on how to slow the rise of temperature.

(a) legally
(b) legal
(c) illegal
(d) illegally
Adverb

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The world really needs a _____ binding agreement on how to slow the rise of temperature.

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Why make mistakes

- Language difference
- Ways of learning
- Native language
Why make mistakes

- Language difference

**Gender change**

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Why make mistakes

- **Language difference**

  - *She loves to eat*
  - *He hates hiking*
  - *S + .Vt + O*
  - *S + Vt + To V or V-ing*
  - *S + Vt + To V or V-ing: stop, remember*
  - *S + Vt + To V*
  - *S + Vt + V-ing: mind*
  - *S + Vt + (To) V: see, make, help*

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Why make mistakes

- Ways of learning

  - Corpus – a language database

  Every word in English has certain words that more frequently go together with that words.
Why make mistakes

Ways of learning

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We remember and retain language in our mind primarily in phrases, therefore we should learn language in phrases.

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Why make mistakes

Ways of learning

- Corpus – a language database

If you speak and write in phrases that native speakers expect to hear you say or write, native speakers will understand you better, and you will speak and write more specifically, naturally, and professionally.
Why make mistakes

Ways of learning

Grammar + Single vocabulary items = Chinglish

• Corpus – in phrases

Give yourself an edge in this very competitive world by getting to grips with effective writing now, before it’s too late.

The release of the game in the mid-1980s introduced players to an Italian plumber in overall named Mario.
Why make mistakes

- Ways of learning
  - Collocations
    - come up with a feasible solution
    - decide on a long term solution
    - provide a lasting solution

- Native language
  - Do more reading
How to learn grammar

- **Prescriptive**
  - You have grammar rules, and you must follow those rules
  - Elementary grammar before 8th grade
  - Intermediate grammar before 11th grade

- **Descriptive**
  - You look at examples of language in use, and describe what you read
  - Intensive reading

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*Practice forms habits and habits make memory unnecessary.*

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How to read, listen, speak, and write

listening

speaking

reading

writing

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Listening, Reading, and Speaking

- Receptive skills
  - listening
  - reading

- Productive skills
  - speaking
  - writing

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Listening, Reading, and Speaking

**Reading – language acquisition**

- By exposure to language that is both understandable and meaningful, and concentrating on meaning.

- **Intensive reading** by noticing the phrases, collocations, combinations of words

- Should not just be looking up the vocabulary you don’t know

- Vocabulary is acquired through listening and reading
Listening, Reading, and Speaking

- **Reading – language acquisition**
  - **Intensive reading**
    - Systematic and integrated approach
    - Grade level arranged materials
    - A whole paragraph instead of a single sentence
  - **Extensive reading** will fill gaps in your English
    - Children books:
      - *The lightning thief*
      - *The adventure of capture under pants*

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- **Reading – language acquisition**
  - Children acquire their vocabulary from listening, and reading after age of 6
  - Read loud out to hear pace and rhythm, and help you get the **punctuation** in the right place

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- **Listening**
  - Listen with a script
  - After fully understand the context, listen repeatedly
  - Read loud out to hear pace ad rhythm, and help you get the **punctuation** in the right place
  - Then, you acquire vocabulary, grammar, structure, corpus, collocations, conventions, expression, and style.

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Listening, Reading, and Speaking

### Speaking

- **Pronunciation** - KK & DJ
  - Innovative cooling design
  - Less innovation and more imitation
  - food, woman, women, gap, steak
  - hot, result, culture
  - acrobat, skype, youtube

- **Intonation**
  - *The cat is next to the fireplace.*

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Listening, Reading, and Speaking

- Speaking

  - Shadowing and roleplaying
    - *Mickey is pointing*
    - *Chip ‘an’ dale are in the tree*

  - More reading, more imitation, and more practice
Listening, Reading, and Speaking

Writing

- Do more reading than writing
- Notice and follow the conventions
- Take notes for corpus, collocations, and grammar
- Imitation and practice

Vocabulary

- White House Correspondents dinner:
  Obama roasts Trump, riffs on Hillary Clinton & Kendall Jenner

  - Alex Stedman, News editor, April 30, 2016

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How to increase your word power

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### How to increase your word power

- **Abbreviation**
  - ACTiS
  - C4ISR
  - WISS
  - SARS
  - AIDS

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How to teach children to learn English

FEES system

- Feasibility
- Effectiveness
- Efficiency
- Sustainability

- The FEES that actually worth paying for

- Mickey is pointing
- Chip ‘an’ dale are in the tree

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SYSTEM

- Teaching materials
- Instructor

FEES system
- ET system

- Acquired competence
- Learned competence

Measurement & Evaluation

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What expression is

- **Language difference**
  - By incorporating vectored thrust engines, the S-27, S-37, and Mig 1.44 were thoroughly performance-enhanced.

- **Accurate interpretation**
  - UAV can replace manned fighters to significantly reduce risks to human pilots for conducting specific missions.

  UAV can significantly protect the safety of fighter pilots.
What expression is

■ Sentence structure

Apposition

• This article presents an approach to developing the indigenous high thrust engine, TFE1088, based on the design of TFE1042 turbofan engine which powers IDF.

• AT-3 advanced trainer, which is powered by TFE732-2-2L turbofan engines, is progressively improved from XAT-3.

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What expression is

- **Sentence structure**

  *Inverted sentence*

  - We can no longer afford indifference to suffering outside our borders; **nor can we** consume the world's resources without regard to effect.
What expression is

■ Sentence structure

**Participial construction**

- Equipped with the anti-ship missile seeker, developed by NCSIST, the supersonic anti-ship missile shows the excellent performance.

- Having streamlined bodies, flying fish swim swiftly and freely in the water, in the air.
What expression is

**Sentence structure**

*Participial construction*

- **Having experienced** real hardship, the company is flying up to the clouds, comparing with the glory of the sun, and is on the way of no return.

- **Being** a fine day, we went picnicking.
What expression is

■ Sentence structure

*Participial construction*

- Having experienced real hardship, the company is flying up to the clouds, comparing with the glory of the sun, and is on the way of no return.

- It being a fine day, we went picnicking.
What expression is

**Sentence structure**

*Another gender change*

- A nation cannot prosper long when it favors only the prosperous.
- In prison, the weak are meat and the strong do eat.
- Have you used any old-fashioned language or jargon that should be updated?
What expression is

- Sentence structure
  - The determination of independent development of aircraft engines lasts.
  - If you want something done well, do it yourself.
  - When it comes to making a thing by myself, I’m all thumbs.
  - However humble it may be, there is no place like home.
What writing style is

Syntax and Diction – taste, genre

• … a nagging fear that America’s decline is inevitable, and that the next generation must lower its sight.
  - Obama, 2009

• We absolutely cannot leave the hot potato issues and heavy burdens to the next generation
  - Ma, 2012

• Achieve generational justice, and deliver to the next generation a better country.
  - Tsai, 2016
What a wonderful paragraph

- If your uniform isn’t dirty, you haven’t been in the game.
- Chasing the same dream, engineers start a great day at the moment the sun is over the horizon.
- With the ever-increasing speed of technological change, we all need to stay up-to-date with new equipment.
- Having streamlined bodies, flying fish swim swiftly and freely in the water, in the air.
What a wonderful paragraph

- They will not be met easily or in a short span of time. But know this, America – they will be met.

- The words have been spoken during rising tides of prosperity and the still waters of peace.

- Having experienced real hardship, the company is flying up to the clouds, comparing with the glory of the sun, and is on the way of no return.

- Do your best and leave others’ judgments as background music.
- Is a promotion worth hiding who you are?
Hugo and Dr. Yang

The greatest and best-known French writers Hugo ever said, “Three keys to the treasure house of human wisdom: mathematics, language, notes.”

Is language ability important in career development?

It may not be necessary, but it sure seems useful.
Elegance is an attitude

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