

Title: Listening & Dictation

Course: Semi-Sparta Program, Intensive ESL, IELTS Basic, TOEFL Intensive, Junior ESL, and Junior Native **Area:** Listening

Class Type: Big Group Class

Class Level: 101+ - 201+

Introduction:

The Listening and Dictation course helps ESL students improve their listening skills and overall understanding of English. The course provides practice in understanding simple conversational language related to everyday life. Through guided listening and dictation activities, students learn to understand spoken English more clearly and write what they hear accurately.

Students practice listening for different purposes and are exposed to various types of spoken English, including casual conversations, instructions, directions, requests, descriptions, apologies, and suggestions. The course helps develop important listening skills such as listening for key words, details, and main ideas, making simple inferences, understanding attitudes, responding to questions, and identifying important information.

Subject Content Summary

Lesson Focus	Contents	Class Activities
Week 1		
<p><i>Sound Recognition, Pronunciation & Spelling Awareness</i></p> <p>Improve listening accuracy and spelling through sound awareness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minimal pairs (/l/ vs /r/, /b/ vs /v/) ▪ Word stress, sentence stress, weak forms, and connected speech ▪ Commonly misspelled words ▪ Plurals and “-s” endings ▪ Verb endings (-ed, -ing) and homophones (their/there, your/you’re) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Listening and repeating minimal pairs in pairs or groups ▪ Pronunciation drills for word stress and sentence stress following teacher’s model or materials ▪ Guided reading of short sentences to practice weak forms and connected speech ▪ Spelling exercises using commonly misspelled words (dictation, fill-in-the-blank) ▪ Sorting and pronunciation practice for plural and verb endings ▪ Writing and speaking activities using homophones in context
Week 2		
<p><i>Grammar Awareness Through Listening & Dictation</i></p> <p>Notice grammar while listening and apply it accurately in writing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subject–verb agreement ▪ Tenses in context ▪ Prepositions ▪ Articles (a, an, the) ▪ Recognizing grammar patterns in spoken English 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Listening to short dialogues or academic audio and identifying correct grammar usage ▪ Dictation exercises focusing on subject–verb agreement, tense, prepositions, and articles ▪ Guided gap-fill exercises using sentences from the listening material ▪ Pair work to correct grammatical errors in transcribed sentences ▪ Discussion and analysis of grammar patterns noticed in spoken English
Week 3		
<p><i>Listening for Information & Meaning</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Listening for numbers, dates, names, and key details 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Listening to short lectures or dialogues to identify key details (numbers, names, dates)

<p>Develop both detail listening and overall comprehension</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Identifying main ideas and supporting details ▪ Understanding transitions and signal words ▪ Following organization patterns (problem–solution, cause–effect) ▪ Note and table completion practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Highlighting main ideas and supporting details from audio excerpts ▪ Listening for signal words and transitions, then discussing their role in comprehension ▪ Completing notes or tables based on listening material ▪ Group discussion on organization patterns and summarizing the content
Week 4		
<p><i>Listening in Academic & Real-Life Contexts</i></p> <p>Apply listening skills in practical and academic situations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Campus conversations ▪ Short academic lectures ▪ Workplace and everyday dialogues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Listening to campus announcements, student interactions, or short dialogues and answering comprehension questions ▪ Listening to brief academic lectures and summarizing key points ▪ Role-playing workplace or everyday scenarios to practice listening and responding appropriately ▪ Pair or group discussions to check understanding and share answers