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# Stay interested, stay motivated

## 1. Discuss these topics, find three which you feel similar about:

- art and culture
- politics
- celebrity lives
- environment
- healthy living
- professional development
- science and technology
- travelling

## 2. Complete the gaps with the words provided.

### a) **stimulating/enthusiastic/rewarding**

- 1) a technological innovation I'm ..... about 2) a topic of conversation I find .....  
3) a ..... experience I've had

### b) **captures/inspires/sparks**

- 1) something that ..... my interest when I'm travelling 2) something that ..... me to do my best work  
3) a type of news story which always ..... my attention

### c) **accomplishment/eager/inspiration**

- 1) an ..... I'm particularly proud of  
2) a piece of art that is a great source of .....  
3) something I'm ..... to do when I retire

**3.Choose one topic from each set in ex. 2 and tell some details about it.**

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**4.Discuss what you might learn in each of the English lessons below and say how enthusiastic you would be to have them. Which topic captured your attention most?**

- Do you feel FOMO? Phrasal verbs with ‘out’
- Decision time (business case study)
- Curious questions about curiosity
- The city of the future is here
- The story of Frida Kahlo (advanced tense review)
- It’s so hot right now!

**5. Finish the sentences so that they are true for you.**

- a) What inspires me to get up in the morning is...
- b) The most rewarding things about my job are...

- c) When I'm not very enthusiastic about a task I need to do, I...
- d) In an English lesson, I'm always eager to...
- e) My biggest accomplishment in terms of studying English is...

**6. Watch a video [<https://youtu.be/eNqJYIns4Rk>] about motivation and discuss the questions.**

- What is the difference between extrinsic and intrinsic motivation?
- Is your motivation for learning English intrinsic or extrinsic? Why? Was it the same in the past?
- Is your motivation in other areas of life, e.g. work, intrinsic or extrinsic? Why do you think so?
- Which motivation helps you accomplish more, intrinsic or extrinsic? Why?
- Which motivates you more, success or failure? Give examples.

**7. Use the words to create questions.**

**EXAMPLE: how long / you / learn / English / ?**

**How long have you been learning English?**

a) you / use / be / more enthusiastic about / learn / than you are now / ?

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b) how often / you / ask / meet deadlines / ?

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c) why / you / decide / take up / this course / ?

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d) you / consider / take / a two-year English course / get a better job / ?

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e) when / you / find yourself stuck / do repetitive work, / how / you / motivate yourself / continue / ?

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f) if / you / have more free time / in the past, / you / spend it / study English / ?

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g) what / inspire / you / choose / the profession you have / ?

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h) what language other than English / you / recommend / study / ?

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i) if / you / have to / quit a bad habit, / how / you / start / ?

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j) what/thethings/you/wish/you/begoodat/?

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k) what/discourage/you/pursue/yourgoals/?

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l) you / ever / try / motivate / someone else / do something / ?

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