



English!
English!

ELI Weekly

Better English Speaking Skills

Improving your English speaking skills will help you communicate more easily and effectively. But how do you become a more confident English speaker?

- **It's important to build your confidence.** If possible, use simple English sentence structure that you know is correct, so that you can concentrate on getting your message across.
- **Try to experiment with the English you know.** Use words and phrases you know in new situations. Native English speakers are more likely to correct you if you use the wrong word than if you use the wrong grammar. Experimenting with vocabulary is a really good way of getting feedback.
- **Try to respond to what people say to you.** You can often get clues to what people think by looking at their body language. Respond to them in a natural way.
- **Try NOT to translate** into and from your own language. This takes too much time and will make you more hesitant.
- **If you forget a word,** do what native English speakers do all the time, and say things that 'fill' the conversation. This is better than keeping completely silent. Try using "um" or "er" if you forget the word.
- **Don't speak too fast!** - It's important to use a natural rhythm when speaking English, but if you speak too fast it will be difficult for people to understand you.
- **Try to relax when you speak** - you'll find your mouth does most of the pronunciation work for you. When you speak English at normal speed, you'll discover that many of the pronunciation skills, such as linking between words, will happen automatically.

Also Remember, when speaking English :

- Don't be shy to speak - the more you do it, the more confident you'll become.
- Remember to be polite - use "**please**" and "**thank you**" if you ask someone to do something for you.

Your English is pretty good!
I love you !!! ❤️



Thank you.

INTERNATIONAL
BANQUET & SHOW
NOVEMBER 15

30th Annual International Banquet and Show

This is the premier activity sponsored and organized by AIS. The international Banquet is the only premier event in the Springfield Community which offers a diverse showcase of all cultures represented in Missouri State student body. The first part of the banquet is food from 8-10 different countries, picked by experts and the menu changes every year. The second part of the banquet is a dreamy showcase of dances, skits, music from every corner of the world.

- **When: Saturday, November 15, 2008, 6:00 PM-10:00 PM**
- **Admission: Student- \$14 / General - \$18**
(You better hurry up because It is usually sold out very quickly!)
- **International Banquet Ticket Sale Locations:**
 - Office of Student Activities PSU 101 from 9:00AM - 5:00PM
 - AIS Ticket Booth PSU 2nd floor from 10:00AM - 3:00PM

For more events and activities, visit: <http://calendar.missouristate.edu/>

Also, ALWAYS check **the Student Activities Board** across from the 2nd floor Computer Lab!



Announcements

- If you plan to study as an **undergraduate** student at MSU this fall, we recommend you attend the Advisement Meeting. You will be provided with information about application procedures, university placement tests, and the registration process.



- **When: Thursday, 11/13 @ 3pm**
- **Where: Room 410**

- Eat & Greet**

- Make some native and international students and get some FREE PIZZA @ PSU food court on Tuesday, 11/11, 12:30pm-1:30pm



- Lost & Found Box** in the office!!!

- If you have found anything not belonging to you, please bring it to the office and put it into the box.



- Computer Lab Open Hours (M - F)**

- 8-9 am/ 12-1 pm/ 3-5pm
(On Fridays the lab stays open all afternoon.)



Weekly English Expression

Diamond in the rough.



- A:** Do you want to go away for the weekend?
- B:** Sure! What do you have in mind?
- A:** How about we go to that fishing village on the coast?
- B:** But, it's so tiny. There's nothing to do there.
- A:** It's a * **diamond in the rough**. It just hasn't been discovered yet.
- B:** Really?
- A:** Yeah, there are many surprises in store for you.

* **Diamond in the rough**: One having exceptionally good qualities or the potential for greatness but lacking polish and refinement.

Fun Facts

- If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days, you would have produced enough energy to heat a cup of coffee.



- There are only 18 countries richer than Bill Gates.

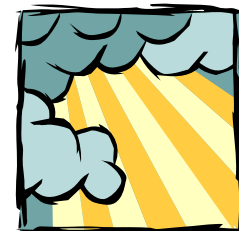
- Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying.



Weather Forecast

Forecast for November. 10—November. 16

		Fahrenheit (High/Low)
Monday:	Showers	50/43
Tuesday:	Showers	49/40
Wednesday:	Cloudy	50/39
Thursday:	Cloudy	58/40
Friday:	Partly Cloudy	59/40
Saturday:	Showers	54/40
Sunday:	Showers	60/47



Weather forecasts are **always** changing, so for the most up-to-date forecast, go to: www.weather.com, or watch the local news or the weather channel.