

Skype Speaking Lesson – Feedback form

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Summary:

You have improved so much, so well done!

We spoke a lot about the past tense in this session, and you had no problems using many of the six different ways we speak about the past in English, so excellent job. You are even using the present perfect continuous correctly now ("*I've been practising a lot this week*"), and the past perfect continuous ("*It had been snowing all night, so the conditions were perfect in the morning*").

Your 'flow' is much better now. You are joining your words as a native speaker would, and using contractions correctly.

Areas to improve:

Vocabulary:

As you know, there were a number of pronunciation errors.

The main ones to remember are:

- asked – *arskt* – **not** ask-ED (*æskt*)
- castle – *kars-el* – the 'T' is silent (*'kɑ:sl*)
- pronunciation – remember, we say the verb 'pronounce': *pre-nounce* (*prə'naʊns*)
- But the noun 'pronunciation': *pre-nunce*- ee-ay-shen (*prə,nʌnsi'eɪʃən*)
- heard – rhymes with *bird*! Does not rhyme with *ear*! (*hɜ:d*)

Grammar:

- It is incorrect to say: *What means?* You must say: *What does _____ mean?*
- You said: "*If I ~~don't~~ work so much, I would go skiing much more*"
This was a good attempt at the 2nd conditional, which is the form we use for hypothetical situations. In the 'if clause', you must use past simple:
Correct sentence: "*If I **didn't** work so much, I would go skiing much more*"
- Preposition: You said: "*It ~~depends of~~ what you want*"
The correct sentence is: *It depends **on** what you want*
- Preposition: You said "*He's married ~~with~~ my sister...*"
The correct sentence is: *He's married **to** my sister...*

Final thoughts:

Great job XXXXX! I look forward to our next lesson on Friday 8 December. I will have a few questions about 'future plans' on Friday, so a quick look at your 'future tenses cheat sheet' before our lesson might help you with this ☺

Enjoy your working week,
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