

Now that you know all about the 3 activities you can do, let's talk about what makes this course different and unique. It's a simple 4-step learning system, which I call the "Speaking Operating System" (S.O.S.). Let's delve into these 4 steps:

# 1. Try and Answer:

Start by taking a question and trying to give an answer. This is what I like to call a spontaneous answer – it's not pre-prepared. By doing this, you'll quickly identify areas you might be struggling with. Maybe you lack certain vocabulary or find it hard to form ideas on the spot. Basically, it's a way to measure where you currently stand.

## 2. Listen and Learn:

After you've tried to answer, it's essential to listen to a proficient speaker tackle the same question. This serves two purposes. First, you get to immerse yourself in natural spoken English. Second, you'll pick up words and phrases in context, which will make it so much easier for you when you practise them later on.

## 3. Practice and Build:

In this step, you'll focus on practising the chunks of language you've learned. You'll be using them in varied ways. This approach helps you build flexibility and confidence, as you train your brain to adapt to different scenarios using the newly acquired language. I'll delve deeper into this particular practice method in the next lesson.

## 4. Improve and Excel:

Now, it's time to give a more refined answer, using the flexibility and vocabulary you've developed in step 3. But here's the catch – to truly excel and become a confident speaker of English, you should repeat this step, giving diverse answers to

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the same question. It's a step many students overlook, but it's crucial. You absolutely need to repeat and review this step in order to level up your English speaking skills.

So, in summary, the four pillars of the S.O.S. are: Try and Answer, Listen and Learn, Practice and Build, and Improve and Excel. Embrace these steps, and you'll be well on your way to becoming a confident speaker of English, someone who's ready to ace the C1 speaking exam. In our next lesson, I'll showcase how this system comes to life with a practical example. Let's hop on to it!