

# Speak with Clarity — How to Be Understood the First Time

(Fix pronunciation habits and speak clearly, not slowly.)

## 1. Why Clarity Matters

Speaking fast doesn't mean fluency. Real communication starts with being understood. Clarity builds confidence, connection, and trust — even more than advanced words. Most English learners don't need to speak faster. They need to speak *clearer*.

## 2. Common Mistakes That Block Clarity

- ✗ Speaking too quietly or without energy.
- ✗ Swallowing endings: “wan’ to go” → disappears.
- ✗ Mixing sounds: “tree” vs “three.”
- ✓ Small pause + full sound = clear message.
- 👉 Tip: Clarity beats speed every time.

## 3. How to Train Clear Speech

- 1 Record yourself saying short phrases: “Can you hear me clearly?”
- 2 Focus on endings: **-s**, **-ed**, and **-t**.
- 3 Practice “chunk speaking” — one idea per breath.  
Example: “I really liked it | but I didn’t expect it.”

## 4. Mini Practice

Say both naturally:

A: “I like movies that make me think.”

B: “I like movies — that make me think.”

Notice how a pause changes clarity.

## 5. Simple Pronunciation Fixes

Common mix-ups:

- “Live” (v) vs “Leave” (v)
- “Ship” vs “Sheep”
- “Walk” (silent l)

👉 Say it clearly — not perfectly.

## 6. Quick Challenge

Read any 3 sentences from your favorite English book or website.

Record them slowly, clearly, with confidence.

Listen back and rate yourself: Could a stranger understand every word?

## 7. Final Reminder

Fluency = clear ideas + clear sound + calm rhythm.

Clarity makes people want to listen — and that's real fluency.

### **Printable Tip:**

Write 3 sentences you often use.

Underline the endings.

Say them clearly every morning for one week.