

DIRECT STRATEGIES: SPEAKING

STRATEGY GROUP: Cognitive

STRATEGY SET: Receiving and sending messages

STRATEGY: Using resources for receiving and sending messages.
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This is a good strategy to produce language, communication by means of speaking. Although printed and non-printed resources are welcomed to the rest of the skills, resources such as TV, videocassettes, radio, museums, and exhibitions can help learners prepare for speaking activities. This kind of strategy is intimately close to writing.

<p>For example, Rusty, a beginning learner of English, uses an English dictionary to look up the definitions of new words he has heard and then has tried to pronounce them. Another learner uses a dictionary and a grammar book in composing an English-language talk about a favourite hobby. Ellen looks up a few useful social phrases in her English phrase book before she goes to the café to meet her English acquaintances. She also looks for materials she can find as articles, books, and TV news.</p>
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