

## Tandem-Questionnaire

### Guidelines For Starting Tandem Language Learning

At the beginning of a language tandem partnership it might be useful to clarify expectations and availabilities in order to make the experience a pleasant and enriching one.

Answer the questions below and bring this form to the first meeting with your partner. Discussing the answers will help you to get started and develop a successful learning partnership.

1. Why do you want to take part in tandem learning?

2. How long do you want the tandem partnership to last?

3. Which of the following language skills do you want to improve? What are your priorities?

- a. Oral communication
- b. Reading
- c. Listening
- d. Writing
- e. Subject-specific vocabulary (give examples)
- f. Other (give details)

4. When do you want to meet? For how many hours?

(Recommendation: minimum 2 hours per week, 1 hour for each language)

5. What method of communication do you want to use preferably?

(Exchange the relevant contact details)

- a. Personal meetings
- b. Telephone
- c. E-mail
- d. Chat
- e. Letters :)

6. Where do you want to meet each other?

(Recommendation: location/atmosphere should be relaxed and not too noisy)

- a. In the library
- b. At the Mensa
- c. In a café, bar or restaurant
- d. At home
- e. At public events (e.g. sports or cultural)
- f. Somewhere else (give details)

7. What kind of topics would you like talking about? Make a personal list.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

8. What material do you want to use?

- a. Articles from newspapers/magazines
- b. Books (literature or grammar/exercise)
- c. Music
- d. Movies/ television shows
- e. Souvenirs or other authentic material
- f. Other

9. How do you want to be corrected?

- a. Every time I make a mistake
  - b. Only for repeated mistakes
  - c. In case there is a more common way to say it
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- a. Instantly
  - b. At the end of the phrase