



Improving Business Communication Skills

Business *English* Communication

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PLAN OF THE BOOK

Unit	TOPICS	FUNCTIONS	GRAMMAR / FORMS
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2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing people's work activities • Describing future actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The present continuous tense
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stating the locations of objects • Stating the locations of places 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepositions of location
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time • Daily schedule 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading and telling time • Talking about schedules • Describing the frequency of activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The present simple tense • Adverbs of frequency
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Money • Jobs and job responsibilities • Negatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counting money and using numbers • Describing job responsibilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third person singular expressions • Negatives in the present simple tense
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills and abilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing what one can and cannot do • Describing how well one can do something 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can / Cannot • Be able to
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appearance • Clothes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking about people's looks • Talking about people's clothes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wh-questions • The present continuous tense
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past actions • Work and personal activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking about the past • Discussing past actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The past simple tense • Past time expressions
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Likes • Dislikes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking about likes and dislikes • Talking about preferences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plural nouns • Gerunds • Conjunctions
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests • Reasons • Excuses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making and responding to requests • Giving reasons or excuses to requests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can / Could • Do / Would you mind
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requirements • Advice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussing requirements and obligations • Giving advice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have to & must • Should & ought to • Negatives
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future plans and activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking about future activities • Talking about wants and desires 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The future simple tense • Want to



READING / WRITING	LISTENING	CULTURE
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for current actions • Listening for future actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formal and informal language
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing locations • Reading maps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for the locations of objects • Listening for the locations of places 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking taxis in different countries
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job responsibilities • Numbers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for job titles and responsibilities • Listening for money and numbers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exact prices and rounding up and down
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills and abilities • Levels of skills and abilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for skills and abilities • Listening for how well one does something 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modesty when describing one's abilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appearances and clothes • Accessories 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for personal descriptions • Listening for clothing descriptions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal questions related to appearance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past activities • Time expressions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for past actions • Listening for past time expressions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being late and being on time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Likes and dislikes • Combining sentences with conjunctions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for likes and dislikes • Listening for conjunctions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accepting and rejecting offers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making requests • Answering requests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for requests and their answers • Listening for reasons for requests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being polite
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future duties and obligations • Advice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for duties and obligations • Listening for advice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obligations vs. advice and suggestions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future activities and schedules • Wants and desires 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening for future plans and actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to use "will" and "be going to"

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What is DP Solutions?

▶ DP Solutions

DP Solutions is a small foreign-owned company in Jongro-Gu in Seoul, Korea. We employ around 50 workers, both foreign and Korean.

▶ Meet the Employees of DP Solutions



John White

John is the American manager of DP Solutions. He runs the entire office.



Scott Bobek

Scott is an American salesman. He visits many customers and tries to sell the company's products.



Marcia Carter

Marcia is an engineer. She also works with computers and does computer programming.



Amy Jenkins

Amy is an office worker. She assists all of the other employees when they need help.



Minsu Kim

Minsu is a new employee at DP Solutions. He is very interested in becoming a salesman.



Sunmin Lee

Sunmin is a new employee at DP Solutions. She works as an office assistant and often works together with Marcia and Amy.



01 It's nice to meet you.

Business English Communication

Word Power

- **major** 전공하다
- **position** 위치, 직
- **e-mail address** 이메일 주소
- **salesman** 영업사원
- **employee** 고용인
- **hometown** 고향
- **business card** 명함
- **work-related** 업무와 관련된
- **personal information** 개인 정보
- **office worker** 회사원
- **investment company** 투자 회사
- **Sales Department** 영업부
- **office number** 사무실 번호
- **receptionist** 접수원, 접대원
- **Accounting Department** 경리부, 회계부
- **free-time activity** 여가활동
- **favorite** 매우 좋아하는
- **co-worker** 동료
- **culture** 문화
- **Westerner** 서양인
- **politics** 정치, 정치학
- **religion** 종교
- **small talk** 잡담, 가벼운 이야기
- **salary** 봉급, 급여

Warm Up

Write about yourself.



First Name:

Last Name:

Full Name:

School:

Major:

Job:

Position:

E-mail Address:

Cell Phone Number:

Conversation 1 Greetings and Introductions

Listen to the following conversation. Then practice it with your partner. 

Scott Hello. It's nice to meet you.

Minsu It's nice to meet you, too. What's your name?

Scott My name is Scott. I'm a salesman here.

Minsu I'm Kim Minsu. I'm a new employee.

Scott That's great. Can you tell me about yourself?

Minsu Sure. I went to Yonsei University. I studied business.

Scott That's great. Where do you live?

Minsu I live in Seoul in Songpa Gu.



스캇: 안녕? 만나서 반가워. / 민수: 나도 만나서 반가워. 너는 이름이 뭐니? / 스캇: 내 이름은 스캇이야. 나는 이 회사 영업
사원이야. / 민수: 나는 김민수야. 나는 신입사원이야. / 스캇: 잘됐구나. 네 소개를 해줄 수 있겠니? / 민수: 그럼, 나는 연세
대학교를 나왔고, 비즈니스를 공부했어. / 스캇: 멋지다. 너는 어디에 사니? / 민수: 나는 서울 송파구에 살아.

Expand Your Knowledge 1

A Read the following information.

At first meetings, people often talk about their names, schools, hometowns, and families. Here are some common questions and answers for first meetings:

Q What is your (full) name?

A My name is John White.

Q What is your first name?

A My first name is Sunmin.

Q Where do/did you go to school?

A I go/went to Inha University.

Q What is/was your major?

A My major is/was business management.

Q What is your hometown?

A My hometown is Daegu.

Q Can you tell me about your family?

A There are five people in my family: my mother, father, sister, brother, and me.



B Answer the following questions.

- 1 What's your first name? _____
- 2 What's your last name? _____
- 3 What's your full name? _____
- 4 Where do/did you go to school? _____
- 5 What is/was your major? _____
- 6 What is your hometown? _____
- 7 Can you tell me about your family? _____

C Circle the mistakes. Then write the correct sentences.

- 1 I name is Lee Sunmin. _____
- 2 My majoring was accounting. _____
- 3 I went Busan National University. _____
- 4 There are 4 families in my family. _____
- 5 My hometowns is Seoul. _____
- 6 My first is Scott. _____


D Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 My hometown • | • a is Boston. |
| 2 I went to • | • b three people in my family. |
| 3 My last name • | • c was business management. |
| 4 My first name • | • d is White. |
| 5 My major • | • e Jeju National University. |
| 6 There are • | • f is John. |

E Talk to your group members. Write each person's answers.

	Student 1	Student 2	Student 3
Name			
School / Major			
Hometown			
Family			

Conversation 2 Work-Related Personal Information

Listen to the following conversation. Then practice it with your partner.  track 2

Sunmin What is your e-mail address, Amy?

Amy My e-mail address is amy@thiscompany.com.

Sunmin Okay, thanks. Here is my e-mail address.

Amy Great. Oh, what's your cell phone number, Sunmin?

Sunmin My cell phone number is 010-555-1234.

Amy Thanks a lot.

Sunmin What about yours?

Amy Here's my business card. My cell phone number is on it.



선민: 에이미, 네 이메일 주소가 뭐야? / 에이미: 내 이메일 주소는 amy@thiscompany.com이야. / 선민: 아, 고마워. 여기 내 이메일 주소야. / 에이미: 좋아, 선민, 네 휴대폰 번호가 뭐니? / 선민: 내 휴대폰 번호는 010-555-1234야. / 에이미: 정말 고마워. / 선민: 네 번호는 어떻게 되니? / 에이미: 여기 내 명함이야. 거기 내 휴대폰 번호가 있어.

Expand Your Knowledge 2

A Read the following information.

At first meetings, many people talk about work-related personal information like their job, position, e-mail address, and cell phone number. Here are some common questions and answers for work-related personal information:

Q Do you work in the IT industry?

A Yes, I do. / No, I don't.

Q What do you do?

A I am an office worker.

Q Where do you work?

A I work for an investment company.

Q What is the name of your company?

A I work at Samsung.

Q What is your position?

A I am a manager. / I work in the Sales Department.

Q What is your e-mail address?

A My e-mail address is scott@thiscompany.com.

Q What is your cell phone number?

A My cell phone number is 010-555-1234.