

A skill that took you a long time to learn

Describe a skill that took you a long time to learn.

You should say:

what it was

when you learned it

how you use this skill

and explain why it took you a long time to learn it.

Part 3

Learning Skills

- Can you give any more examples of skills that take a long time to learn?
- Why do people want to learn those skills?
- (Similar to above) What is the value (or importance) of learning new skills?
- Can you explain why some people need a long time to learn a skill?
- In general, how do you think people feel after they have learned (or, mastered) a skill?
- Do you think most people are satisfied with learning a skill in a short time, or do they prefer to learn those skills that take a long time?
- (Similar to above) Which do you think is more satisfying, to learn a skill that takes a long time, or to learn one that takes just a short time?

- Some people are not willing to learn new skills. Can you suggest why?
- Some people are not willing to spend a long time to learn new skills. Can you suggest why?
- Do you think it's worth spending a long time to learn a skill?
- Would you say it takes a long time to learn a language?
- Do you think there are any people who have a natural (inborn; innate) ability (or talent) for some skills?
- Can you give any examples of careers that require practicing a skill over a long time?
- Why do think talented athletes still need to spend so much time training?

Social Skills / Work Skills

- Can you give any examples of what can be described as "social skills"?
- Can you think of any skills that involve patience?
- Can you give any examples of careers that require patience?
- Can you give any examples of jobs that require people to be patient with others?
- Would you say that elderly people are more patient than teenagers?

Children Learning Skills

- Do you think there are any essential skills that children should (or, need to) learn before they start school?
- Do you think children generally learn new skills (or, new things) faster than adults?