

General Goals of Teaching English in Saudi Arabia

1. *To contribute to student's intellectual, personal and professional growth.*
2. *To enable student to acquire basic language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing).*
3. *To develop student's awareness of the importance of English as a means of international communication.*
4. *To develop student's positive attitude towards learning English.*
5. *To enable student to acquire the necessary linguistic competence required in various life situations.*
6. *To enable student to acquire the linguistic competence required in different professions.*
7. *To develop student awareness about the cultural, economic, and social issues of his society and prepare him to participate in their solutions.*
8. *To develop the linguistic competence that enables student –in future- to present and explain Islamic concepts and issues, and participate in spreading Islam.*
9. *To enable student linguistically to present the culture and civilization of his nation.*
10. *To enable student linguistically to benefit from English-speaking nations, that would enhance the concepts of international cooperation that would develop understanding and respect of the cultural differences between nations.*
11. *To provide student with the linguistic basis that would enable him to participate in transforming other nations' scientific and technological advances that can enhance the progress of his nation.*

The General Objectives of Teaching English for the Intermediate Stage

By the end of the Intermediate Stage and within the assigned structures and vocabulary for this stage, pupils should be able to:

- 1. Learn the basics of the English language that would form the foundation for mastering the English language in the future.*
- 2. Use the English language structures.*
- 3. Learn the assigned vocabulary for this stage that would enable them to express themselves in different life situations.*
- 4. Listen and understand English language.*
- 5. Express themselves orally using correct English.*
- 6. Read and understand English written material.*
- 7. Write a short guided paragraph.*
- 8. Be aware of the importance of English –as an international language of communication- for benefiting from the achievements of other cultures in accordance with Islamic teaching; through texts representing various life situations.*
- 9. Be aware of the importance of English –as an international language of communication- for introducing Islam, our culture and cultural achievements to the others.*

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