



English language course for Ukrainian and Belarusian partners

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the English language course at the KU Leuven (Belgium – Bruges) has been postponed to September 2021. To prepare the participants, three online sessions are organized using MS Teams. A first session took place on January 11th, 2021.

The online English language sessions are open to participants of

- Kryvyi Rih National University,
- Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University,
- Chernihiv Polytechnic National University,
- Belarusian State University,
- Gomel State University,
- Mozyr State Pedagogical University.

From these six Ukrainian and Belarusian universities, 22 teaching staff members or researchers participated. The project coordinator of RTU also participated. From KU Leuven, the English language teacher and two additional academic staff members participated.





Global approach of the course

During three hours, the teacher used his experience and a dedicated powerpoint presentation to focus on


- listening and understanding,
- speaking,
- pronunciation,

- vocabulary and grammar.





Warming up for September



Session 1
Alain Maricau

11 January 2021

Evaluation

A survey among the participants revealed a large satisfaction (10 participants have answered the questions).

Extending your academic vocabulary was integrated in the session. The focus on vocabulary in the January session was

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The session integrated the use of "grammar". The focus on grammar in the session was

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The overall difficulty level was good and also the use of the MS Teams environment allowed to communicate.

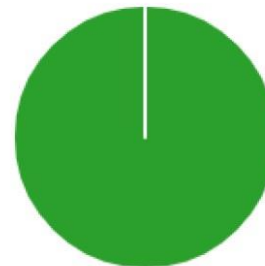
In general, the difficulty level of the session was

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The session made use of the MS TEAMS environment. The use of MS TEAMS was

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The future

Taking the satisfaction of the participants into account, the next online session will be organized in a very similar way. This session will take place on February 22th, 2021.


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● LISTENING AND UNDERSTANDING


BBC radio four *In Our Time*
 The presenter: Melvyn Bragg (°1939)
 The guests: university professors, experts in the matter
 The subject matter: plasma

- Introducing the guests
- First question
- Answer






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