

FriendSpeak Conversational English Program



Goals

1. Show the love of God to international friends
2. Help them practice their English
3. Include them in other activities
4. Answer any questions they have about English, American customs, the Gospel

Methods

General

- Friendship evangelism - Be a friend, not a teacher
- Build trust – make them feel comfortable with you
- Hospitality evangelism – it works wonders! Social contacts outside class are very effective in forming relationships
- Non-confrontational approach
- Be responsive to their questions
- They may not understand you and they may not admit it!

Use of FriendSpeak workbooks

- Listen more than talk
- Ask open-ended questions
- Do not lecture or preach or pressure them for a decision
- The Word is the teacher – you are the illustration
- Be patient – they are having to work harder with the language barrier
- You don't have to know all the answers
- You don't have to have agreement to continue
- Seed thoughts

Preparation before class

- Pray for your partner
- Study your lesson ahead of time and make a general plan
- Be on time

Resources

1. FriendSpeak workbooks (Luke, Acts, John, Beginnings)
2. Conversation starters (handout)
3. Bibles in many languages