

English Tutoring Tips

Easy as 4,3,2,1!

4. Try to integrate the 4 parts of language as you teach:

- Listening comes before speaking. We recommend the [GPA method](#) to teach listening and speaking.
- Reading and writing are more difficult skills to develop. We recommend [ABC English](#) for students who are beginning literacy or our [SALT Primer](#) for Somali Students (ask us for the password).

3. Three key tutoring skills:

- Review: Regularly review material using many methods – songs, role play, games, read a story, etc.
- Patience: Wait at least ten seconds for a student to answer before rephrasing a question.
- Repetition: Your lesson should incorporate more information your student already knows than new information (A good ratio is 90:10).

2. Two tutoring session goals:

- Make sure your lesson is as interactive and hands-on as possible. Bring real-life objects!
- Make sure your lesson is repeatable after you leave (i.e. record vocabulary for at-home review and practice).

1. One thing you can never do too much:

- Praise your student for big and small successes!

