The Learning Centre

Language Skills
Improving Your Listening Skills

- Refer to listening resources available in the OC library. There many texts/readers with audio recordings (online or CD format). The librarians are able to help you find these resources – just ask!

- Refer to online resources such as the listening skills website found at the following link: https://www.englishlistening.com/index.php/listen-to-passages/

- Record lectures and listen again to check your understanding.

- Listen to news reports, radio programs, online lectures, and documentary television and movies to develop your skills.

- Listen to other speakers and try to paraphrase what they have said. If you do not understand, use expressions such as, “Excuse me, could you repeat that?” or “I’m sorry. I didn’t catch what you said.”

- Join a conversation club! This is a great way to meet people and develop your listening skills at the same time. Visit International Education in the Centre for Learning for more information on conversation clubs.

- Ask for help in the Learning Centre! We can provide one-on-one or group speaking opportunities.