

Describe an idea for using television to prepare for a Cambridge English exam. Entries should be a maximum of 200 words.

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Two months ago I took my KET Test. I was pleasantly surprised that many of the odds and ends that were in the exam, I remembered from watching movies and TV shows in English. Tricky pronunciations and confusing idioms which puzzled the rest of the exam-takers, were clear as crystal to me. Why? It is simple. I watch movies in English.

Pronunciation is a common problem to people in my country who learn English. But since I was glued to a TV screen since the 4th grade and the fact that I resided all the monologs in the movies, has fixed my pronunciation. This helped me in my speaking part of the exam. Thank you, BBC Channel.

Another thing which I remembered from movies, were idioms. Most people do not notice the sneaky little things, but they are actually very important. I used a couple of idioms to bring some colour to my essay in the writing part. As they say, the smallest details are the most important.

I have passed the exam with Distinction, earning a shiny B1 level. And can state as a fact, that I am living and breathing prove that television can help you learn English.