EPISODE 177

English During Summer Vacation

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Hi, everybody! I am Georgiana, your English teacher and founder of SpeakEnglishPodcast.com. My mission is to help you speak English fluently.

Today, I'm going to show you how you can improve your English-speaking skills **during** the **summer**.

Later, we're going to practice listening and speaking with a funny mini-story.

Let's get started!

Summer is here, and it seems like everyone has planned their holidays already.

But how about you?

Have you thought about improving your English **during** the **summer** holidays?

If you still don't have a plan. Don't worry. I have some ideas.

Now I'd like to suggest some places you could spend your summer holiday, especially if you're on a **tiny budget**.

Find an **air-conditioned** coffee shop in your neighborhood. Enjoy your drink while you listen to your favorite English show.

Go to the mall or fast food restaurants

It's the perfect environment where you can listen to some English lessons. Perhaps you won't be 100% **focused** on what you're listening to, though, you'll still be learning a lot.

I'm telling you this because I enjoy going to the local mall, especially in summer and winter. It's usually quiet; there's free AC. (air conditioning) and I often **carry around** my laptop. Spending time away from my desk helps me to concentrate better.

But it's not all about drinking coffee and shopping. Just like me, you might consider going to the gym more often! Where I live, it's almost impossible to enjoy any outdoor activities in summer. Also, when you're at the gym, try listening to your favorite English lessons. You'll love it! Ok, last but not least: You need to relax! Go to the beach! Not only to get a nice tan but also to take your English to the next level.

If you're going to the beach this summer, don't forget your cell phone! Relax; enjoy the **breeze** and listen to the Speak English Now podcast. Plus, who knows, we might **bump into** each other. Don't forget to wave!

No matter what you're planning to do this summer, enjoy English!

Now, you'll practice your speaking skills with a funny mini-story.

Let's get started!

Now, let's practice.

Mini-Story

Speaking Practice

Answer the questions aloud with short and quick responses. Repeat the Mini-Story several times to improve your speaking and listening.

Did George and Peter want to visit New York? No, they didn't want to visit New York. They wanted to visit Hawaii. What did they want to visit last summer? Hawaii. George and Peter wanted to visit Hawaii. Who wanted to visit Hawaii? George and Peter. They wanted to visit Hawaii. Did they hate Hawaii? No, no. They loved Hawaii! When was that? Last summer? Last winter? Last summer. It was last summer. George and Peter wanted to visit Hawaii last summer.

Sadly, George and Peter didn't have enough money to visit Hawaii. They thought about swimming to Hawaii, but they were too lazy. Did George and Peter swim to Hawaii last summer?

No, George and Peter didn't swim to Hawaii. Where did they want to swim last summer? To Hawaii. George and Peter wanted to swim to Hawaii. Why didn't George and Peter swim to Hawaii? They didn't swim to Hawaii because they were too lazy. Did George and Peter swim to Hawaii? No, no. They didn't swim to Hawaii. Did they swim to New York? No, no. They didn't swim to New York. They thought about swimming to Hawaii. Who didn't swim to Hawaii last summer? Who? Santa? No! Not Santa. It was George and Peter who didn't swim to Hawaii last summer. They were too lazy. When did George and Peter want to swim to Hawaii? When? Last summer. They wanted to swim to Hawaii last summer.

George and Peter also wanted to go to the gym every day last summer. They didn't go to the gym eventually because they were lazy.

Did George and Peter go to the gym every day last summer? No. They didn't go to the gym every day last summer. Who didn't go to the gym every day last summer? George and Peter. They didn't go to the gym last summer. Did George and Peter go to the beach every day last summer? No, no. They didn't go to the beach. They didn't go to the gym either.

Last summer, George and Peter wanted to listen to their favorite English podcast. Finally, they didn't do that either. They were too lazy.

Did George listen to his favorite English podcast?

No. He didn't. He didn't listen to his favorite English podcast.

Why didn't he listen to his favorite English podcast? Because he was too lazy, he didn't listen to his favorite English podcast because he was too lazy. What didn't George do last summer? George didn't listen to his favorite English podcast.

George and Peter didn't swim to Hawaii, didn't go to the gym every day, and they didn't listen to their favorite English podcast.

Instead, they've slept all summer long! They were too lazy, and of course, they didn't improve their English!

Ok! It's the end of this mini-story. As you can see, you are answering easy questions all the time. They are easy on purpose, and this technique helps you develop your speaking skills. It is like practicing with another person!

Now you can improve your speaking with my Fluency Course, only by listening!

Thanks for listening, and I'll see you in the next episode.

Review

Vocabulary from This Episode

Review the most useful words and expressions before listening again.

01 **summer vacation** a holiday taken during the summer.	05 **bump into** meet someone unexpectedly.
02 **air-conditioned** cooled by an air-conditioning system.	06 **carry around** take something with you from place to place.
03 **tiny budget** a very small amount of money available to spend.	07 **focused** giving full attention to something.
04 **breeze** a gentle wind.	08 **improve your skills** develop an ability through practice.

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