



## Kev's English: Podcast Episode 1..all about me..

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Hello, hello, hello. It's Kev here. Welcome to episode one of Kev's English Podcast.

A podcast in English by Kev. So, seems like an excellent title if you ask me. So, this is my first podcast for a long time.

I used to have different podcasts in the past, different sites, etc. All I've got now, I've got a channel on [YouTube](#) and I'm going to have a website quite soon called [kevsenglishpodcast.com](http://kevsenglishpodcast.com) where you'll be able to find all the episodes I'm going to create and there's going to be a transcript, a PDF available of every episode.

So, that could be useful if you want to have a look at that. So, first, a quick introduction. If you look at my profile on [italki](#), you can see it's all there. My name's Kev, I'm an Englishman. I've been living in Europe for the last 10 years now. I'm currently in Bratislava. Before that, I've lived in Prague, Budapest, and then in Asia, Istanbul, Beijing. But I've been here for the last four or five years now. Central Europe, right in the heart of it.

So, I've been teaching for about 13-14 years now, in schools, in person, in colleges, and some in company. Some, you know, business English-y things. But now, for the last three or four years now, I've been exclusively online, working on italki. So, that's a little bit about me. You know, quite what I've experienced in many things. You can see a link to my [LinkedIn profile](#) and you can see my education and all my background and all that kind of stuff.

I can't be bothered to talk about it here. So, the main thing is, what's this podcast going to be about? Well, you know, I've... If you've seen on italki, I've had over a thousand students. I think it's nearly 1,500 students now. And one thing that I've seen is that there's often not a lot of authentic, as in material made by natives aimed at natives, for them to listen to. Lots of the English as a second language stuff, languages, graded down. So, if you're an advanced student or upper intermediate and you want to get to C1 level or C2, you know, then you do need to have a bit of extra support, extra

assistance, I think.

So, what am I going to do? Well, actually, what I'm thinking about is asking you, the students and listeners, what kind of topics you want me to talk about. I've got some general ideas. I made a couple of notes here. My idea is to be, you know, as real as it gets. As it says, real English every week. And I'll be talking about lots of different topics, different aspects of English and English culture.

So, there's going to be a language focus, some vocab at the end of the show, some new expressions, phrases, idioms, collocations that I may have used during the episode. As I say, there'll be a transcript available for each of the shows. So, I'm going to be talking about lots of different topics, different aspects, maybe something out of the news, you know, different, as I say, English cultural things, you know, because often to make that leap to native ability, you need to spend time living in that particular country.

So, you know, there's all these in-jokes, cultural allusions, aspersions and references. And it's very hard for non-natives to pick up on what they are. So, I'm going to be talking about those as well.

As I say, real English as real as it gets. So, what I'm also going to do is suggest some strategies that you can use to improve your English. Now, I might talk about grammar occasionally, but I'm going to be making some videos about grammar on my channels. Well, I've got two channels on YouTube, the English Native, which is my old archive of videos which I've done for IELTS writing, OET and those different kind of exams. And my new channel, English with Kev. There's only four or five videos on that.

I should get a move on and make some more. So, there's going to be grammar and vocab stuff on those. I'll probably here just cover some vocab, not so much talking of grammar. Though, of course, if people want me to do so, then that's what I'll do. So, let's see what else was I planning to do here. So, I just had a note.

So, there's going to be probably three parts to the episodes. There'll be an introduction like we have here. I'll maybe answer some of your questions if people send me some questions.

Hey Kev, what does this mean? How does that work? How can you do this? Etc. A feature, a topic and I may even have some guest interviewees because obviously I've got lots of contacts and students and other teachers around the world. So, maybe I'll get some of those on and we'll have a bit of a chat about something which I hope may be of interest.

And then at the end, we'll have some language focus kind of **like a wrap-up**. And that should be it. I'm aiming to do once a week. That's all I have time for, really. I'm aiming to do a video a week and a podcast a week because, you know, with all my students, I don't have that much time and I don't want to be working in English 24 hours a day. So, anyway, that's a general idea.

Once my website's done, kevsenglishpodcast.com, I'm going to try and get that done soon but I have **to sort out** all these issues of hosting, who to host the episodes and get the site up and running. So, this is why I'm putting my first one on italki because that's something that they have started in the not too distant past for us teachers. So, I'm going to put some episodes there while I'm working on my site. Anyway, so, that's it really. There's not much else for me to say. I live in Bratislava for Slovakia, Central Europe.

I'm going to be making this podcast from my apartment once a week. I'll put some links to my other stuff on italki so you can see, you know, and if you've got any questions, feel free to get in touch.

Oh yeah, and of course, if you've got any particular topics, you know, you want me to talk about, feel free to get in touch.

So, I'll call that quits to use an English expression for today and hope to be speaking to, unfortunately not with, but speaking to you soon. Oh and of course, if you do need anything, if you want to book any lessons, I specialise in exams, namely OET, IELTS, the TOEFL test, you know, the Cambridge test. So, if you need any help with any of those then, you know, feel free to send me a message on italki.

So, that'll do for today. Hopefully, I'll speak to and maybe even with you soon. Bye for now.