

IN ENGLISH, PLEASE



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Summer quiz Online resources

L'anglais pour voler
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Available on the Appstore, the collection of «In English, please» articles with the audio recordings when available. The application has recently been updated with the articles up to May 2019, offering more than 140 pages of aviation-related English practice right at your fingertips.



The internet is the place to go to practice English comfortably from home. There are just too many resources to mention them all. Some have been used several times as basis for exercises published in "In English, please" articles: www.liveatc.net for listening comprehension practice, www.skybrary.aero for its numerous articles on all aspects of the aviation industry, www.caa.co.uk for finding everything you need to plan a flight in the UK ... to name but a few.

Signing up for newsletters is also a smart move. They pop up every week in your inbox and act as a reminder that regular practice is the key to progress. Below is a quiz taking you through two of these newsletters.

www.flyer.co.uk

Stay in touch with the UK's latest general aviation news with Flyer's newsletter. For example, an article from the newsletter sent on March 24 reports a "disappointing" consequence of Brexit: <https://www.flyer.co.uk/shapps-confirms-no-lpv-approaches-after-june/>. Read the article and watch the 2mn video to find the answer to these questions:

- 1 - What is EGNOS?
a) a GNSS
b) a SBAS
c) a WAAS
2 - What does it consist of?
a) satellites
b) Mission Control Centers
c) a network of Ranging Integrity Monitoring Stations
d) all of the above
3 - What is it used for?
a) to improve the accuracy of existing satellite positioning signals
b) inform users in the event of a signal problem
c) a and b
4 - When was EGNOS certified for use in aviation?
a) 2009
b) 2011
c) 2016
5 - When did the UK lose its access to EGNOS?
a) June 23, 2016

b) December 24, 2020

c) June 25, 2021

6 - What is the consequence for the UK?

- a) it's not a big deal, they will use WAAS, the US system
b) LPV approaches are no longer available
c) all RNAV GNSS approaches have to go back to the drawing board.

Answers: 1 - b; 2 - d; 3 - c; 4 - b; 5 - c; 6 - b. A Global Navigation Satellite System (GPS, Galileo, GLONASS) needs a Satellite Based Augmentation System (WAAS, EGNOS, GAGAN) to improve its accuracy and reliability. An SBAS is a prerequisite for the implementation of LPV RNAV approaches (GNSS-based approaches operationally equivalent to ILS Cat1 approaches). Check the impact for the UK at https://egnos-user-support.essp-sas.eu/new_egnos_ops/resources-tools/lpv-procedures-map. Note that the Channel Islands are not concerned.

www.pilotworkshop.com

Their Pilot's tips of the week are short articles - along with their audio recordings - providing advice on various aspects of flying. Work on your listening comprehension skills by playing the audio first, then check your answers with the script. The two following tips are in direct relation with this past year's health crisis.

www.pilotworkshop.com/tips/pilot-layoff_proficiency/

what is the skill the least affected by a layoff?

- procedures
- knowledge
- stick-and-rudder

What is the rule-of-thumb to estimate, for every year away, the number of hours needed to become proficient again?

- one hour each of flight and ground instruction
- one hour combined
- just one hour of flight instruction

www.pilotworkshop.com/tips/disinfecting-a-modern-cockpit

What is your best friend for disinfecting displays?

- 70% isopropyl alcohol and a cloth
- ammonia
- bleach cleaner

How long should you leave the screen wet?

- 15 seconds
- 30 seconds
- you should wipe it dry straight away

Newsletters are available in the general English category as well. Sign up at www.connexionfrance.com for "French news and views in English", and/or at www.dictionnaire.com for a vocabulary boost in your email.