#### How to deal with distractions

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فایل پیشرو درباره راههای مقابله با حواس پرتی هست. شما در ابتدا خود متن را دارید که می توانید به آن گوش دهید. عبارات مهم را براتون مِشخص کرم که در دفترچه لغاتتان یادداشت کنید و یاد بگیرید. در قسمت بعدی تمرینهای را براتون در نظر گرفتم که بتوانید مهارت انگلیسیتان را قویتر کنید. اگر عبارت یا کلمه ای را نمی دانید حتما چک کنید تا بتوانید آن را یاد بگیرید. امیدوارم دوست داشته باشید.

Studying is very **important for everyone**. We can **learn a lot** when we study, but some people **have problems** when they study. They cannot focus. When they want to study, they easily think about other subjects. So they cannot focus and learn. These people **have a hard time** preparing for exams. I think they usually **spend many hours** to prepare for an exam. Their exam marks are also not good enough. This is called in English distraction. When a person cannot focus on what they are reading or studying, they are distracted. Their minds are paying attention to something else. This is not **a big problem** if you know what to do.

When we want to study, we can **tidy our desk**. We should look at what items are at the desk. If there is an item that we don't need, we should put it somewhere else. For example, I don't need my cell phone so I can put it in the drawer. Of course, I have to silent it. If someone calls, I don't want to be distracted. I can call them after I study. When we put **unnecessary items** in other places, we can focus on what we're studying more easily. Trust me and **do this next time**. You will understand what I mean.

Another way to **deal with distraction** is to use noise cancelling headphones. These interesting headphones are very good when there are some **unwanted noises** around us. These headphones can **cancel those noises** so when don't **lose our focus**. I don't have one, but I guess they will help greatly. Imagine you have a child or a smaller sibling at home. You want to study for an important exam, but their noise is a big problem. Noise cancelling headphones are amazing in situations like this.

Sometimes the distraction is because we are tired of studying. There are different times, but everyone **gets tired** when they study. Some people feel tired after studying for half an hour because they are not used to. There are others who can study for two hours or even more and then get tired. We should know when we need to **take a break**. These breaks are very helpful and if we use them, we can focus better while studying.

Finally, when we study, we may remember other activities that we need to do. For example, we remember that we need to **buy something for home** or we need to **help a friend** to move some furniture. These thoughts happen and I guess we cannot stop them. There's one thing we can do. We can **have a small notebook**. When **something comes to our mind**, we right it in our notebook. We tell ourselves that when I finish studying, I will do the activity. This way we will complete our studying and not forget about the activity.

There are many ways to deal with distractions. What is your favorite?

#### Exercise 1- Listen to the podcast and fill in the blanks.

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### Exercise 2- Complete these sentences. Use the words below.

problems- deal- problem- learn- unnecessary- break

1.	We can a lot when we study, but some people have when they study.
	This is not a big if you know what to do.
3.	When we put items in other places, we can focus on what we're studying more
	easily.
4.	Another way to with distraction is to use noise cancelling headphones.
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- 2. This is not **a big problem** if you know what to do.
- 3. When we put **unnecessary items** in other places, we can focus on what we're studying more easily.
- 4. Another way to **deal with distraction** is to use noise cancelling headphones.
- 5. We should know when we need to take a break.

## Exercise 3- Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1. Everyone has a hard time preparing for exams.
- 2. Being distracted is always a big problem.
- 3. Noise cancelling headphones can help us better.
- 4. People get tired at different times while studying.
- 5. We can control our thoughts when studying.

#### Exercise 3- Check your answers.

1. Everyone has a hard time preparing for exams. False. People who get distracted easily have a hard time preparing for exams.

2. Being distracted is always a big problem. False. It's not big if you know what to do.

3. Noise cancelling headphones can help us better. That's true.

4. People get tired at different times while studying. That's true.

5. We can control our thoughts when studying. False. Some thoughts just come to our mind. We cannot stop them.