

## Lesson 2:

### Picture description and introduction

#### Objectives:

- Debrief the autonomous listening exercises
- Basics in picture/video description
- Learn how to properly introduce himself
- Basic vocabulary
- Autonomous work continuity

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## I. Picture/video description

### i. Way of doing so

First of all, let's see some basic vocabulary items:

- Next to / near:
- In front of / behind:
- In the foreground:
- In the background:
- In the upper part / at the top:
- In the lower part / at the bottom:
- On the left-hand side / on the left:
- On the right-hand side / on the right:
- In the central part / in the middle:

Now, the best way to begin your description is by saying “In this picture/video, we can see...”. When talking, the use of the continuous present will make things easier as it's one of if not the easiest tense. Furthermore, it is accurate in this particular situation because you are currently describing the picture.

You can and it's recommended to try to make hypothesis about what is on the picture. However, you have to say “I think”, “it looks like”, “it might be”, “he seems to be”, to indicate that you're making a guess and you're not sure of what the correct answer is.

### ii. Examples

You can review the images of the PowerPoint to practice again if you want to. However, for next week, you'll be given the opportunity of working on this exercise.

## II. Personal introduction

### i. Way of doing so

When performing this kind of exercise, try to be extremely careful and try to use the most accurate tenses and vocabulary possible. The examiners will be paying a lot of attention to what you're saying.

One way of introducing yourself is giving the following information in order:

- Name
- Age
- Where you live
- Job
- How and when you discovered aviation
- What planes you fly
- Why you want to get your FCL.055

This is just an example. Basically, the aim of this exercise is to test your ability to talk on your own and then to interact with the examiner, so anything you say that is a minimum relevant and with an appropriate language will be appreciated.

No matter how good your introduction is, the examiner will mandatorily ask you questions about anything to try to make you speak. They will assess your ability to answer questions in an effective and organized manner.

### ii. Example

This is just an example so that you can see what it looks like

“My name is Liam, I'm 19 years old. I've been living in Toulouse ever since I was born. I'm currently an ENAC student and more specifically an ATC trainee I discovered aviation when I first took the plane in 2007 when I was 7. I started to go to Lasbordes airfield when I was 14 and I've stayed there ever since. I passed my glider license in 2016, my PPL in 2017 and in order to build up hours, I started to tow gliders at Bourg saint Bernard and La Llagonne. I mainly fly Rallye [180 and 235 horsepower engines], Robin, Aquila and Cirrus. I want to get my language proficiency ICAO level because I want to travel round Europe when I get a chance, and this is a prerequisite.”

### III. Autonomous work continuity

For next week, you have to:

- Go to the ACTMP website under “Espace membre”, “Les documents”, “Cours d’Anglais aéronautique FCL.055”. You have to choose at least two pictures and take a recording of yourself, describing the pictures you’ve chosen. Please send them to [liam.iveton@gmail.com](mailto:liam.iveton@gmail.com) and [paulrosselet@gmail.com](mailto:paulrosselet@gmail.com). We will listen to your recordings and send you a correction to help you improve your English.
- Go to Lingaero [<https://lingaero.com/>], on the top menu, “Cours gratuits”, “Module 2”. This will take you to the second of the 3 online modules made by Lingaero. We want you to go through the entire page, and to write down the eventual questions you have.
- On the YouTube search bar, search for the following videos and listen to them:

“Las Vegas and Midway TOWERS EVACUATED | Controllers Test Positive #StayHome”

“Virgin Australia ATR-72 starts TAKEOFF ROLL ON WRONG RUNWAY!”

“Beechcraft King Air VIOLATING ATLANTA CLASS BRAVO | Departures Affected”

“RUNWAY INCURSION AT JFK + HEATED EXCHANGE AFTERWARD | Possible Pilot Deviation”

In total, this can be completed in less than 2 hours. We can’t force you to do this, but 2 hours in a week seems like a reasonable amount of time and its essential if you want to pass the exam with flying colors.

Once more, if you have any question, you can send an e-mail to these addresses:

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