

Hi! My name is Marco. I'm 24 years old and I'm from Naples, a beautiful city in Italy. I am an engineering student at the university here. In my free time, I love cooking Italian food, playing football with my friends, and taking photos of the city. I'm here at the language club to improve my English because I want to work in an international company.

This is my friend, Anya. She is 19 and she comes from Berlin, Germany. Anya finished school last year. Now, she is taking a gap year and working part-time in a café. She is very creative. Her hobbies are painting, reading science fiction books, and hiking in the mountains. She is learning English because she plans to travel to Canada next year.

And this is Liam. He is 30 years old and he is from Manchester in England. But wait – if he is from England, why is he at an English club? Good question! Liam is a history teacher. His passion is learning new languages. He is here to make friends and practice speaking in a relaxed environment. He also loves cycling and watching old movies. He can already speak some Spanish and French!

After the club, Marco, Anya, and Liam go to a café together.

Marco: "Anya, your plan to travel to Canada sounds exciting! Which city do you want to visit first?"

Anya: "I want to see Vancouver first because I love nature and the sea. Liam, have you ever been to Canada?"

Liam: "No, I haven't. But I visited Italy last summer, Marco! I ate the best pizza of my life in Naples."

Marco: "Of course! That's my city! Next time, you must try my mother's pasta."

Liam: "I would love to! Anya, what about German food? What is a typical dish from Berlin?"

Anya: "Well, Berlin is famous for its street food, like 'Currywurst'. It's very tasty but maybe not so healthy!"

They all laugh. They are happy to have new friends from different countries.

Reading activities

1. Comprehension check – short-answer questions:

- Where is Marco from?
- Why is Anya learning English?
- Does Liam speak other languages?
- What is Currywurst?
- Dialogue analysis – Underline examples of:
 - Asking a question about travel
 - Talking about food
 - Making a future plan ("Next time, you must try...")

2. Information matching – Match each person (Marco, Anya, Liam) to:

- Their country / city
- Their age

- Their hobby
 - Their reason for learning/practicing English
3. Dialogue analysis
- Asking a question about travel
 - Talking about food
 - Making a future plan