Listening Tips

Engage with activities:
- Talk to friends in English, maybe about topics you’ve read about in your other study sessions
- Join a local conversation group or a Meet-up group
- Attend lectures, church or gigs where people will be speaking in English (maybe make notes about it afterwards in your diary)
- Do practice listening tests online, for example http://learnenglish.teens.britishcouncil.org/skills/listening-skills-practice
- Listen or watch the same podcast or TV series as the repetition of ideas and characters helps with language learning
- Make lists of interesting words, words you don’t understand and key words that summarise the meaning of what you are listening to or watching
- Turn on English captions when watching videos

Engage with materials:
- Listen to topics you are interested in
- Try to predict what you will hear, what topics? What will happen?
- Comment on, discuss and write down questions you have
- Listen for gist or main idea
- Pay attention to the tone used as this can give clues to the content
- Listen to variety of materials: podcasts, TV Drama, News reports, monologues and dialogues
- Listen to the same video or podcast several times
- Take notes on what you hear and summarise the main ideas

SLS Resources:
- Learning Support Website: http://sls.navitas-professional.edu.au

Resources:
- BBC Skillwise Communication Skills: http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillwise/topic/communication-skills
- Ted Talks: https://www.ted.com/talks
- SMRT English: https://www.youtube.com/user/smrtenglish

Health & Wellbeing
- British Council Health Podcast: https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/category/topics/health-0
- ABC Health: http://www.abc.net.au/health/

Criminology:
- ABC: http://www.abc.net.au/news/topic/crime
- Criminal Podcast: http://thisiscriminal.com/about/