



## Upcoming Meetings

At [ZAZA City Palette, 5<sup>th</sup> floor](#)

Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm – 9:00pm

**Members:** Free - **Non-members:** ¥1,000

*By Bogdan Pavliy*

# Using Video Materials to Facilitate Students' Creative Thinking and Improve Their English Skills

During this presentation I will discuss the ways to facilitate students' creative thinking and improve their English skills with the help of some video material (short clips from the Internet). It is always difficult to engage students in any language learning activities if they consider them too difficult, dull or unrealistic. I will present some practical ideas on how to make our lessons more interesting to the learners with poor command of English. One of the methods to motivate such students is to give them reasonable tasks that finally have to be fulfilled in English, while allowing them to communicate using their native language during the activity. The primary goal of each activity is to help students feel relaxed and enjoy their English lessons. There should be also said that if we want our students to enjoy their activities, we have to enjoy them ourselves.

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See you in January!