Language support for international graduates within GP training

Alongside linguistic central courses which run across all training year groups, there are a number of trainee led interventions that will help develop fluency in British English when consulting.

  [Welcome | Doctors Speak Up](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/5iHICngjQs3y1qVc91FKY?domain=doctorsspeakup.com/)  the Doctor’s speak up resource – it is free online. It is Australian so there are elements of Australian slang that are not relevant but a lot of useful consultation discussions on different topics. There is also specific advice for trainees from particular countries eg China, Indian sub-continent.

 Professional English in Use by Glendinning [Professional English in Use Medicine: Amazon.co.uk: Glendinning, Eric: 9780521682015: Books](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/5R4zCojkRuPo1LmHzknE1?domain=amazon.co.uk) is a user friendly book with interactive chapters that one could dip in and out of – variety of vocab sets and everyday language for different aspects of medicine

 Watching soap operas e.g. Emmerdale for Yorkshire accent or any other genre of film / series that is of interest.  Where possible watch with English subtitles on so hear and see language at same time.

 Fostering a good relationship with practice receptionist, practice nurse, hospital porters etc – ask them for help with colloquialisms and slang – also helps understand and address any power imbalance in health hierarchy

 Join club relating to interest – for example the ramblers walking club or similar – lots of opportunities for talking to others while walking outdoors (take rain protective gear and flask with hot drink).

Social Media – several platforms run weekly improving English courses – eg facebook

Kate Fox – Watching the English book https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?k=kate+fox+watching+the+english