

ENGLISH WITH FILMS ABOUT WORK, CAREER, AND BUSINESS

Module 1 · 8 Films · 24 Lessons

Recommended film collection curated by Olena Chepurna.

Included films:

The Founder · *The Intern* · *The Social Network* · *I Don't Know How She Does It* · *Dallas Buyers Club* · *What Women Want* · *The Devil Wears Prada* · *Moneyball*

COURSE OVERVIEW

Section	Description
Purpose	This document outlines a 1:1 speaking course based on a curated film collection focused on career development, entrepreneurship, leadership, corporate culture, and professional identity. The goal is to develop confident, structured B2-level spoken English through dialogue analysis and advanced grammar application in business and professional contexts.
Target Level	B1 students aiming to reach confident B2 spoken fluency in professional and workplace communication.
What's Inside	LESSON PLAN (how one lesson works) · COURSE PLAN (8 films × 3 lessons) · MODULE RESULTS (skills + quantitative result)
Format	2 lessons per week · 24 lessons total · 3 lessons per film
Duration	12 weeks

Film Selection	The films listed above are personally recommended and curated by the course author. Students may propose alternative business-related films if they correspond to the target level and thematic focus (entrepreneurship, leadership, corporate ethics, workplace communication).
Structure	Each film is divided into three analytical stages: Context → Professional Conflict → Strategic Resolution. Two lessons per week ensure consistent grammar upgrading and vocabulary consolidation.
Adaptation	Speaking tasks focus on argumentation, opinion structuring, negotiation language, and professional vocabulary.
Workbook	Students receive structured materials including selected subtitles, business vocabulary lists, guided debate tasks, presentation exercises, and grammar algorithms for professional speech.

LESSON PLAN — EXAMPLE

PREPARATION (BEFORE THE LESSON)

Step	Task
①	Watch the assigned film segment with English subtitles.
②	Highlight professional and business-related vocabulary.
③	Prepare a structured retelling (Context → Conflict → Outcome).
④	Extract 5–10 reusable professional expressions.
⑤	Identify the strategic turning point of the scene.
⑥	Complete focused grammar practice (B2 upgrade structures).

Goal:

Professional vocabulary activation · Structured analytical speaking · B2 grammar transition

AT THE LESSON (60 MINUTES)

Structure: 45 minutes speaking · 15 minutes correction

Step	Activity
①	Warm-up discussion (career goals, leadership styles, workplace dilemmas).
②	Structured retelling with argumentation.
③	Dialogue mechanics analysis (power dynamics + intention).
④	Role play (negotiation, interview, presentation scenario).
⑤	Language algorithm extraction (persuasion & structured opinion patterns).
⑥	Grammar correction and precision upgrade.

Goal:

B2-level structured speech · Argument clarity · Professional tone development

COURSE PLAN — 12 WEEKS (2 LESSONS PER WEEK)

WEEK 1

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus (B2 Upgrade)	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
1	The Founder	Entrepreneurial vision	Present Perfect vs Past Simple; Narrative sequencing	Persuasive dialogue	Building a business model
2	The Founder	Ethical conflict	Conditionals Type 2; Modals of obligation	Power shift	Business expansion vs ethics

WEEK 2

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
3	The Founder	Strategic dominance	Reported Speech; Passive Voice	Negotiation dialogue	Corporate takeover
4	The Intern	Workplace generational contrast	Comparatives; Modal verbs	Soft leadership dialogue	Experience vs innovation

WEEK 3

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
5	The Intern	Leadership & empathy	Conditionals Type 1; Hedging language	Emotional intelligence	Trust-building
6	The Intern	Crisis management	Modal verbs (should have/might have)	Resolution dialogue	Executive decision-making

WEEK 4

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
7	The Social Network	Innovation & ambition	Narrative past; Discourse markers	Rapid argumentation	Startup creation
8	The Social Network	Legal & ethical disputes	Passive Voice; Reported Speech	Confrontational dialogue	Lawsuit conflict

WEEK 5

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
9	The Social Network	Personal vs professional identity	Conditionals Type 3	Emotional subtext	Consequences of ambition
10	I Don't Know How She Does It	Work-life balance	Modal verbs; Adverbs	Internal conflict	Career vs family

WEEK 6

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
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11	I Don't Know How She Does It	Professional pressure	Present Perfect Continuous	Stress dialogue	Burnout
12	I Don't Know How She Does It	Decision-making	Future forms; Conditionals Type 1	Emotional payoff	Redefining priorities

WEEK 7

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
13	Dallas Buyers Club	Ethical entrepreneurship	Modal verbs (must/have to); Passive	Moral conflict dialogue	Fighting the system
14	Dallas Buyers Club	Negotiation under pressure	Conditionals Type 2	Strategic persuasion	Business survival

WEEK 8

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
15	Dallas Buyers Club	Personal transformation	Present Perfect; Narrative past	Emotional payoff	Leadership growth
16	What Women Want	Workplace communication	Indirect Questions; Reported Speech	Gender dynamics dialogue	Corporate understanding

WEEK 9

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
17	What Women Want	Empathy & influence	Modal verbs of deduction	Power shift	Communication strategy
18	The Devil Wears Prada	Corporate hierarchy	Passive Voice; Comparatives	Authority dialogue	Toxic leadership

WEEK 10

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
19	The Devil Wears Prada	Professional growth	Conditionals Type 1	Strategic compliance	Career advancement
20	The Devil Wears Prada	Personal boundaries	Conditionals Type 2	Emotional payoff	Redefining success

WEEK 11

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
21	Moneyball	Data-driven decision-making	Comparatives; Quantifiers	Analytical dialogue	Innovation in strategy

22	Moneyball	Resistance to change	Modal verbs; Passive	Conflict escalation	Challenging tradition
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WEEK 12

Lesson	Film	Focus	Grammar Focus	Dialogue Technique	Professional Arc Focus
23	Moneyball	Long-term vision	Present Perfect Continuous	Persuasive dialogue	Sustained strategy
24	Moneyball	Legacy & evaluation	Review of key B2 structures	Final payoff	Measuring success

MODULE RESULTS — BUSINESS FILM COLLECTION

Skills Result (Professional Dialogue Mechanics Focus)

Area	Result After One Module
Speaking Stamina	45 minutes of structured professional discussion
Argumentation Skills	Clear thesis → supporting argument → conclusion
Professional Vocabulary	Expanded business and workplace lexicon
Listening	Improved comprehension of fast-paced corporate dialogue
Leadership Language	Persuasion, negotiation, hedging strategies

Dialogue Mechanics

Application of intention → power shift → strategic payoff

Quantitative Result

Category	Measurable Outcome
Active Speaking Practice	~17 hours
Original Business Dialogue	~12 hours of curated professional film scenes
Grammar Frameworks	24 contextual B2 structures
Vocabulary Growth	~600–800 professional expressions

Vocabulary Activation Logic

Component	Explanation
Film Count	8 films
Lessons per Film	3
Reusable Expressions	~25–35 per film segment
Total Accumulation	~600–800 contextualized business expressions
Activation Method	repetition → structured debate → role play → algorithm extraction
Memorization Style	Context-based activation with analytical reinforcement