

T-20 Cricket Commentary Script

Spoken English Practice Guide (Beginner to Advanced)

Created for English learners who want to improve fluency, confidence, and sentence flow using cricket commentary

How This Guide Helps You Improve Spoken English

Cricket commentary is one of the **best tools** for learning spoken English because:

- Sentences are short and clear
- Vocabulary is practical and repetitive
- Emotion improves memory
- Real-time speaking builds fluency

T20 cricket, especially, uses **fast, simple, expressive English**, which is perfect for learners.

How to Use This Guide Correctly

1. Read aloud, not silently
2. Speak slowly and clearly
3. Focus on sentence structure, not speed
4. Practice daily for 10–15 minutes
5. Record your voice whenever possible

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SECTION 1

Beginner T20 Commentary (Ball-by-Ball English)

This section is for learners who:

- Understand basic English
- Struggle to speak fluently
- Want confidence with simple sentences

Very Simple Ball Commentary

Use these sentences while watching any T20 match:

- The bowler runs in.
- The ball is bowled.
- The batsman plays the shot.
- The ball goes to the fielder.
- No run taken.

Repeat each line **clearly and slowly**.

More Beginner Examples

- He defends the ball.
- One run is taken.
- Two runs completed.
- That is a dot ball.
- Good bowling.

Beginner Over Commentary

Practice describing an entire over:

- First ball, dot.
- Second ball, one run.
- Third ball, defended.
- Fourth ball, two runs.
- Fifth ball, dot.
- Last ball, single.

Practice Tip:

Pause the match after each ball and speak one sentence.

SECTION 2

Beginner Batting & Bowling Phrases

Batting Phrases (Simple)

- He plays the shot.
- The batsman hits the ball.

- He misses the ball.
- That was a safe shot.

Bowling Phrases (Simple)

- The bowler bowls a good line.
- That is a slow ball.
- He changes his pace.
- Good delivery.

Repeat each sentence **3 times aloud.**

SECTION 3

Intermediate T20 Commentary (Shot Description)

This section helps learners move from **basic English to descriptive English.**

Describing Shots

- He plays a confident drive.
- The ball goes through covers.
- That was well timed.
- Excellent placement.

Running Between Wickets

- They run quickly.
- Good running between the wickets.
- They take a risky second run.

Intermediate Over Commentary

- He pushes the ball into the gap.
- They collect two runs.
- Pressure is building on the bowler.

SECTION 4

Four & Six Commentary (Very Important for Fluency)

Boundary Commentary

- That's a lovely shot.
- The ball races to the boundary.
- Four runs for the batsman.

Six Commentary

- He goes big!
- That's a massive six.
- The ball sails over the boundary.

Expressive Practice

Say these with **emotion and confidence**:

- What a shot!
- That's pure timing!

SECTION 5

Wicket Commentary (Essential Match Vocabulary)

Simple Wicket Lines

- He's out!
- Clean bowled.
- Caught behind.

Slightly Advanced

- That's a big breakthrough.
- The batsman has to walk back.
- A crucial wicket for the bowling side.

SECTION 6

Powerplay Commentary (First 6 Overs)

Powerplay commentary focuses on **attack and momentum**.

- Fielding restrictions are on.
- The batsman is attacking from ball one.
- Runs are coming quickly.
- The bowler is under pressure.

Practice these lines during the first six overs.

SECTION 7

Death Overs Commentary (Last 4–5 Overs)

This is where **emotion and pressure language** is used.

- This is the final over.
- Every run matters now.
- The pressure is intense.
- The crowd is roaring.

Advanced Death Over Lines

- He keeps his nerve under pressure.
- What a calm finish this is.

SECTION 8

Match Situation & Strategy Phrases

These sentences help you sound **natural and fluent**.

- The required run rate is rising.
- The momentum has shifted.
- This partnership is crucial.
- The match is evenly balanced.

Use these phrases anytime during the match.

SECTION 9

Advanced Live Commentary (Fluency Builder)

This section is for learners who want to **sound confident and natural**.

- He steps down the track and smashes it over long-on.
- That shot changes the momentum completely.
- What a performance under pressure.

Speak these lines with **energy**, not fear.

SECTION 10

Crowd & Emotion Commentary

Emotion improves spoken English memory.

- The crowd is on its feet.
- What an atmosphere here tonight.
- The stadium is alive with noise.

Practice with expression and pauses.

SECTION 11

Useful Cricket Vocabulary for English Learners

- Crease – line the batsman stands behind
- Delivery – one ball bowled
- Boundary – four runs
- Strike rate – scoring speed
- Yorker – full-length fast ball

Say each word aloud with meaning.

SECTION 12

Daily Spoken English Practice Plan (7 Days)

Day 1–2

Beginner ball-by-ball commentary

Day 3–4

Intermediate shot and boundary commentary

Day 5

Wicket + match situation phrases

Day 6

Live commentary with emotion

Day 7

Full over commentary without pausing

SECTION 13

Common Mistakes to Avoid

✗Speaking too fast
✗Memorizing without understanding
✗Being afraid of mistakes

✓Speak slowly
✓Speak daily
✓Focus on clarity

SECTION 14

How Cricket Commentary Improves English Faster

- Improves sentence flow
- Builds confidence
- Removes hesitation
- Improves pronunciation

Even **10 minutes a day** can make a big difference.

SECTION 15

Continue Practicing Spoken English

Cricket commentary is a **tool**, not the final goal.

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Final Note

Speak daily.

Speak without fear.

Fluency comes with practice.