



Introduction to Module 1

What does it mean to be a
Mentor?



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To make them confident to overcome their difficulties successfully.





In Our Case

Mentoring Approaches for Language Learning

- ✓ We will try to introduce the mentoring approach as the ideal way of motivating new migrants to learn i.e the language of the host country.





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Understanding Your Peers



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**But what do
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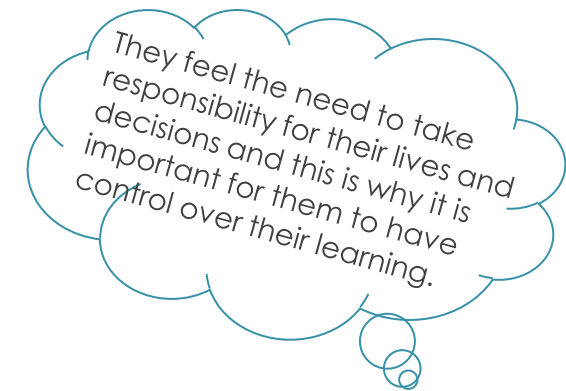
**What difficulties
would you find?**



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They feel the need to take responsibility for their lives and decisions and this is why it is important for them to have control over their learning.

2.They can be practical

Give them examples from your life and experience, share your knowledge, **facilitate their work and boost their confidence.**

Your peers a lot of the times might dislike too much theory so you as a mentor can also be more practical...



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4.Use your Experience

You can form groups of people with **similar life experience levels and encourage discussion and sharing.**

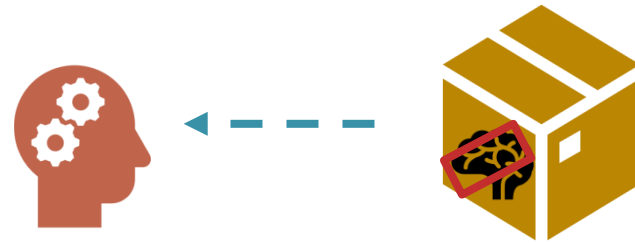




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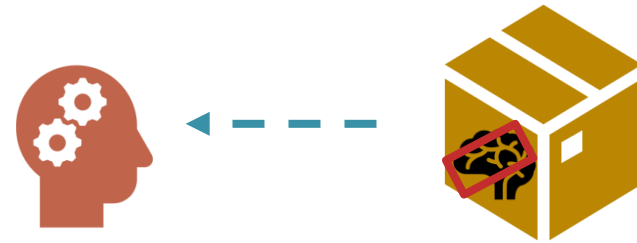




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6.Motivation

Learning is **a personal choice** and you should keep this in mind by providing your peers with **thought-provoking material** that will trigger their will to participate.





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8.They might have High Expectation

As a mentor you should be able to convince them that what they do with your group is helpful and useful. **Work with them**, ask them for their **feed back** and you will get there!!





**You should be ready to begin Your
Journey**



End of Introduction to Module 1

THANK YOU