

Language learning in tandem

“When learning in tandem, two people with different native languages communicate to learn together and from each other.

In doing so, they both seek to:

- Improve their communication skills in their partner’s mother tongue,
- Deepen their knowledge of their partner’s personality and culture and
- Benefit from the latter’s knowledge and experience, for example in the fields of work, education or hobbies.”

(Brammerts, 2002: 19)

Learning a language in tandem means:

- Learning without any teacher, programme, or textbook.
- Peer-to-peer learning: you and your partner are both experts of your mother tongue.