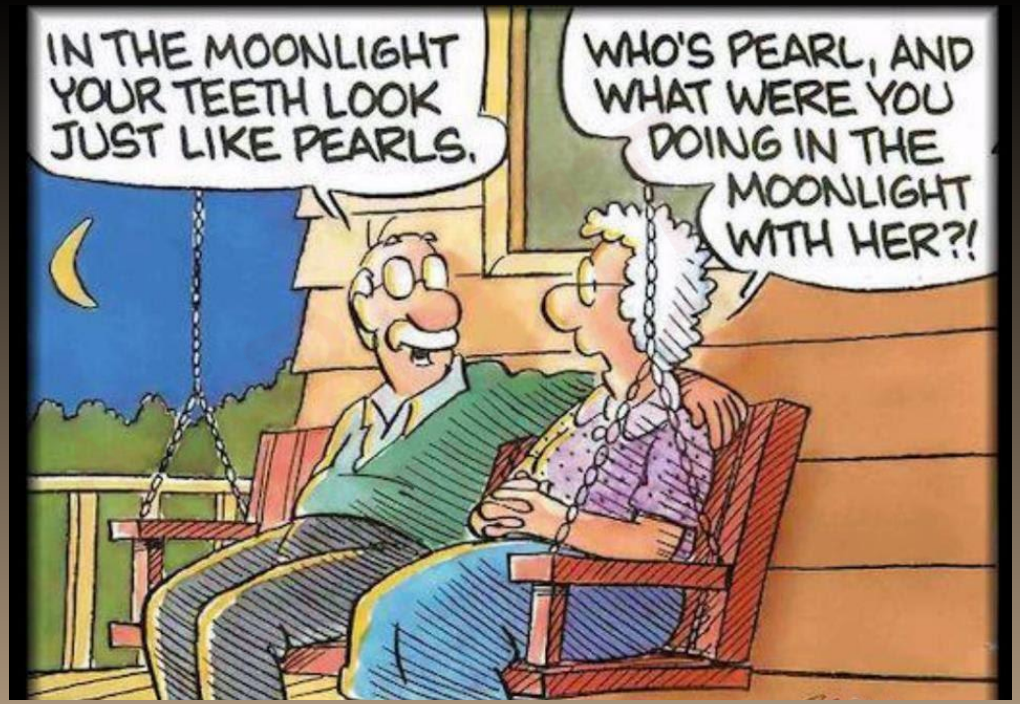

Communicate Effectively

B2 – C1

Module 1

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Here's What We Will Be Learning:

SUMMARY

- ❑ What is effective communication? Why is it important?
- ❑ What makes it difficult to communicate effectively?
- ❑ How does one improve communication skills?
- ❑ Exercises.

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VOCABULARY

Convey: to express a thought, feeling, or idea so that it is understood by other people.

Cue: a signal for someone to do something. For example: After a while the host stood up, that was our cue to leave.

Awry: (In this context) away from the usual or expected course. For example: Good relationships go awry when one person betrays another.

Knee-Jerk Pattern or Reaction: a sudden impulsive reaction. For example: The senator's speech caused a knee-jerk reaction of outrage from the press.

Gauge: make an estimate of something. For example: We use a thermometer to gauge the temperature.

Circumvent: to avoid or work around an obstacle. For example: We took the long route home to circumvent traffic.

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