## Speak Street Impact Report 2021

This year due to the Covid-19 Pandemic we had to completely adapt our face to face offer and switch to online classes and creating bespoke learning materials. We are proud of what we have achieved in the face of such uncertainty and are more committed to our mission than ever: To increase individuals skills and confidence, to bring communities together and to celebrate diversity.

#### The stats from the online classes

We supported **126** learners from refugee and isolated migrant backgrounds through **69** sessions.

Resulting in **1,067** individual attendance.

Our learners achieved **974** learning outcomes with the help of **420** volunteer hours thanks to our amazing team.

The majority of our learners came from an asylum seeker background.

We are a diverse bunch including Congolese, Turkish, Kurdish, Iranian, Nigerian Ethiopian and Eritrean students.





#### Feedback from our learners

70% said they improved their skills and confidence
88% said they learnt new things about UK History and Culture
88% said they met and saw friends and new contacts online
71% said they felt less bored at home
50% said they felt less lonely.

The lessons during the pandemic were really helpful although we can't meet be we can see each other on Zoom.

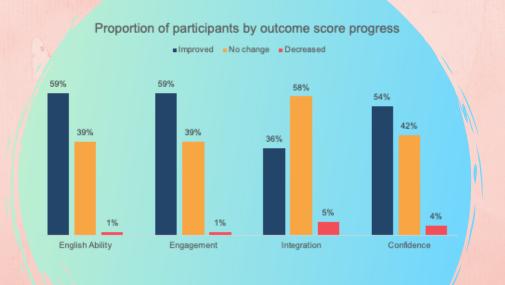
Sandra

It really helped us to forget all that is happening around us . I really appreciate it

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it's keeping me busy and keeping me learning Adia

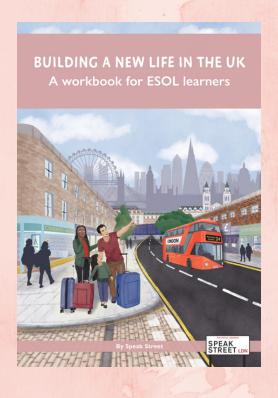
It helped to not be bored it helped also to be active to improve my English and I thank you Kevine





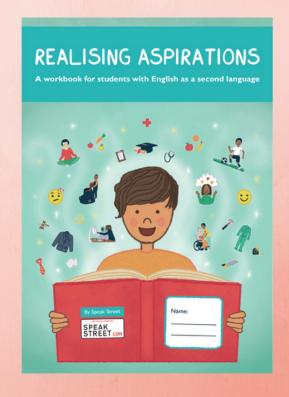
#### Speak Street Learning Resources

We published **4** bespoke learning resources and we have **4** more in production. We distributed them to **1,733** beneficiaries through a network of over **25** partners including The British Red Cross, Freedom from Torture, Hestia, Crisis and the Islington Refugee Centre.

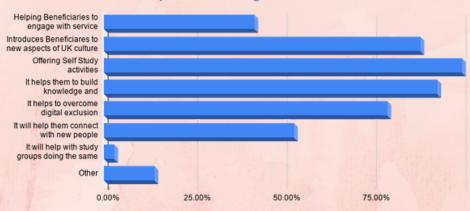








#### Impact of Learning Resources



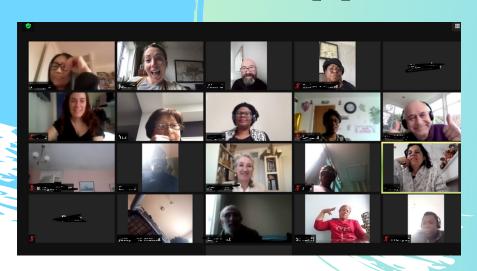
Many people perceive refugees as passive victims needing our help. Not everybody understands that they are humans in the first place with different skill sets and different needs - they are parents, wives, children, women, men, doctors, lawyers, teachers, or scientists.. Learning the English language can be the key step towards changing this stereotype. Learning the English language can empower them, expand their life-opportunities, increase their independence, help them to find friends. Speak Street Learning Resources are perfect for learning day-to-day English conversations and to learn how to navigate life in the UK. Veronica Alblova Care4Calais

We are working with individuals in contingency accommodation, who have a limited ability to leave the hotel. Some of them have been there since August. They are bored, hungry, and eager to learn English but unable to access classes due to their isolation and tech poverty. We are thrilled to be able to help them begin to learn English Katie Commons Action for Refugees in Lewisham

I am really excited to use these ESOL
workbooks at my young refugee projects to
help our young people learn English and read
a story that is relevant to them
Anna Graham British Red Cross



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