

Let's talk about...  
**BODY LANGUAGE**



A. Pronunciation/Free-Talk



B. Target Vocabulary

**WORDS FOR BODY MOVEMENT/GESTURES (Verbs)**

- 1) **shrug** – raise (one's shoulders) slightly and briefly to express that you don't know, don't care, or are not sure about something
- 2) **clench** – close fingers or hand tightly, usually when you are very angry
- 3) **bow** – bend the head or upper part of the body as a sign of respect, greeting, or shame
- 4) **nod** – to move the head down and up again quickly, especially to show agreement, approval, or greeting
- 5) **pout** – push one's lips or one's bottom lip forward, usually to show annoyance
- 6) **wince** – to tighten the muscles of the face briefly and suddenly to show pain, worry, or embarrassment
- 7) **pat** – to touch someone or something lightly and repeatedly with an open hand
- 8) **fidget** - make small movements, especially of the hands and feet, usually to show that you are uncomfortable or bored
- 9) **slouch** – stand, move, or sit in a lazy, drooping way (with the shoulders and head bent forward)
- 10) **steeples** – a hand gesture where fingertips touch each other. Usually shows confidence or arrogance

**Expressions**

1. <b>keep a civil tongue</b>	Used to tell someone to speak politely and decently	Children are always told to <b>keep a civil tongue</b> especially when talking to older people.
2. <b>Give someone the cold shoulder</b>	Ignore or treat someone in an unfriendly way	She <b>gave me the cold shoulder</b> after I refused to go with her to the party.
3. <b>All ears</b>	Very eager or ready to listen	Please tell me about your first day at the new job—I'm <b>all ears!</b>
4. <b>Give someone a leg up</b>	Help someone to achieve something, especially at work	Studying with Jane will <b>give you a leg up</b> for the exam. She knows Chemistry well.
5. <b>Pay lip service to (something)</b>	To express approval, respect, or support for something insincerely or without doing anything to support it	He doesn't really care about politics. He's just <b>paying lip service to</b> the candidate.