# Peace Corps Standard Sector Indicator Data Sheet

**STANDARD SECTOR INDICATOR CODE:** YD-021-D  

**Vocational Skills, English:** Number of youth, out of a total number of youth the Volunteer/partner worked with, who used improved verbal or written English for work. (YD-021-D)

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**Definitions:**

- **Youth** – While Peace Corps define youth as ages 15-24, some agencies define youth as 10–29. Volunteer reporting against youth indicators should reflect the ages of youth the project is designed to reach. PMs/APCDs may adapt a locally appropriate definition of youth, and should clarify for Volunteers this target youth age.

- **Partner/s** – refers to the local counterpart who is co-facilitating English Practice activities with the Volunteer.

- **Improved** – refers to participants comfort expressing themselves in English a result of English Practice Activities. Improved does not mean a formal measurement of oral or written skills.

- **Vocational Skills, English** – English which could be useful within the workplace. This does not imply training for a specific trade.

**Rationale:** An increase in the young people’s ability to use English enhances their ability to express themselves and support their engaging in the world of work.

**Measurement Notes:**

1. **Sample Tools and Methods:** Post should select the most appropriate tool for the Post, and adapt it at the post level for their Volunteers’ use. This indicator could be measured through attendance and observation.

2. **Activity-Level Baseline Data Collection:** Activity-level baseline data should be collected by Volunteers/partners at the start of their activities with a constant group of individuals.

3. **Frequency of Measurement:** For accurate reporting, Volunteers must take at least one measurement with their target population. After taking the baseline measurement, Volunteers should take at least one follow-on measurement with the same individual(s), typically after one or more Volunteerism related activities. Volunteers should report in their VRF once at least one individual has achieved the indicator.

4. **Definition of Change:** The minimum change to report against this indicator is any youth demonstrating an increase comfort using English.

**Alignment with Summary Indicator:** Vocational Skills, ICT (YD-020-D)