



*Regina is just one of 30 dedicated volunteer English tutors working in the Cardinal Hume Centre's Learning and Employment Services. All of our English teachers are qualified volunteers, running both classes and one-to-one sessions with clients. Thanks to Regina's engaging lessons and her friendly approach, her weekly sessions have had a lasting impact on clients like Fouzia.*

Two and a half years ago, Fouzia came to the Cardinal Hume Centre, keen to improve her English. At the time she relied heavily on her husband to communicate for her. "I couldn't take part in conversations, I didn't feel confident," she recalls, remembering the frustration she felt. "My husband had to accompany me on trips to the dentist or doctors and take phone calls on my behalf."

Fouzia was soon introduced to Regina and they instantly hit it off. "We had a good rapport right from the beginning of our meeting," explains Regina, who met with Fouzia for 90 minutes each week. "Fouzia was an outstanding student who was very keen to learn. She knew what she wanted and what she needed to learn to help her achieve her goals for English language learning." Regina worked closely with Fouzia to ensure that her topics for lessons were always interesting, relevant and enjoyable.

Thanks to Regina's vital support, Fouzia now communicates in English with real confidence. She no longer depends on her husband and relishes the challenge of reading complicated texts. "After lessons with the wonderful Regina, I have made astonishing progress," Fouzia explains. "I have memorable moments," she reflects. We had fun and the time would fly with her."

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