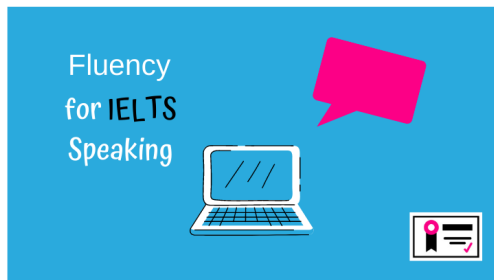


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Riddle

What 8 letter word can have a letter taken away and it still makes a word. Take another letter away and it still makes a word. Keep on doing that until you have one letter left. What is the word?

Answer:

The word is **STARTING**

Starting, staring, string, sting, sing, sin, in, I.

Some useful Links

What **skills** you should put on your **resume** or C.V.

<https://zety.com/blog/what-skills-to-put-on-a-resume>

A great tool to find **collocations**

<http://www.ozdic.com/collocation-dictionary/sport>

Click to get a complete **Mock IELTS** Test.

<https://takeielts.net/the-path-to-success-in-the-ielts-test/>

Use the CODE: **keith10** to get a 10% discount.

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<https://bit.ly/IELTSSpeakingitalki>

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<https://keithspeakingacademy.com/ielts-speaking-free-live-lessons/>

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Essential Vocabulary

It's an important **skill (countable)**
= *an activity that needs training*

e.g. riding a bike, using a computer, active listening

I like to learn new skills

I have a lot of skills

Students need a **wide range / set** of skills

This job requires a lot of **skill (uncountable)**
= *the ability to do something well.*

Synonyms: *Expertise, special ability, proficiency*

Messi has a lot of skill when it comes to football

He has a lot of skill in/at football

I have great cooking skills (countable)
= *I can bake, roast, steam, boil, peel, chop.... (a lot of abilities)*

I have great cooking skill (uncountable)
= *my overall ability is great*

COLLOCATIONS

<http://www.ozdic.com/collocation-dictionary/skills>

I have good _____ skills

I have good communication / cooking / painting skills

I am **skillful** at _____ (adj.)

I am quite skillful at baking

Note spelling!

Skilful (U.S. spelling)

Skillful (G.B. Spelling)

I'm skilled at cooking /

I am **adept at** _____

= *natural ability to do something*

I am **a dab hand at** _____

= *good at*

I need to **hone** my (cooking) skills

= to perfect, to improve

I need to **master the skill of** _____

What skills do you have?

21st Century skills

Soft Skills

(=How you interact with people + how you do things)

Communication
Teamwork
Motivating others
Leadership
Socialising
Interpersonal skills
Negotiating
Active listening
Creativity
Problem-solving
Trouble-shooting

Hard skills

(=What you can do based on training or knowledge)

Using a computer
Designing a website
Product knowledge
Playing the guitar
Speaking A foreign language

<https://zety.com/blog/what-skills-to-put-on-a-resume>

Skills you learned as a child

I **learnt how to** walk as a baby, as well as how to speak

At kindergarten, I guess we **picked up** painting and how to **express out creativity**

Our primary school teachers also helped us with **social and emotional development**, such things as learning **how to control our temper**

At school we had to **learn the three R's**; Reading, Writing and Arithmetic

My parents **taught** me how to respect my elders

I **picked up** how to be **independent** from my Dad, but it is a skill I am still **honing**.

My uncle taught me French, which was a second language for me

I was taught how to solve problems, but things were always **black and white**, I reckon nowadays children need to know that there are often **no right and wrong answers**.

More ideas here

<https://www.lifhack.org/articles/lifestyle/9-skills-that-every-kid-should-learn.html>

Skills young people will need in the future

Our Poll

<https://www.mentimeter.com/app>

Our poll showed that **problem-solving** was the most important...

...with **creativity** coming a close second

Teamwork was also valued but **leadership** less so

Many people felt **coding** will be an essential skill, as well as the other hard skill of **touch typing**

Also **adaptability** and using **technology** were deemed as being very important

As technology progresses, it is clear that **social media skills** and **digital marketing** will be crucial skills in the future

I guess we mustn't underestimate the need for **decision-making skills** and other similar **managerial skills**

In the modern world, I guess **critical thinking skills** will be really important as people need to evaluate information they find, and then decide if it is reliable or if it is fake news