

# ADDING A POINT

B2-C1 | Conversation practice examples for extending an argument

## Conversation: Reviewing library opening hours

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| Chair | You've proposed keeping the library open later on Thursdays. What problem would that solve?                    |
| Amira | Many residents can't get here before six. <b>In addition</b> , evening classes finish just as we close.        |
| Chair | Could we simply move the closing time back every day?                                                          |
| Amira | That would be costly. <b>Another point is that</b> Thursday already has the highest evening attendance.        |
| Chair | So we could test demand without changing the whole timetable?                                                  |
| Amira | Exactly. <b>It's also worth noting that</b> two staff members have volunteered to change their shifts.         |
| Chair | That helps, although we still need to budget for lighting and security.                                        |
| Amira | Agreed. <b>We should also consider</b> whether the trial brings in people who don't currently use the library. |

**Key phrases:** In addition / Another point is that / It's also worth noting that / We should also consider

## Conversation: A crowded workshop

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| Dan   | Thirty people have signed up, but the room only seats twenty-four. Can we squeeze in extra chairs?          |
| Priya | I wouldn't. The tables are already close together. <b>On top of that</b> , we need space for the equipment. |
| Dan   | Then I'll ask about the hall downstairs. It costs more, though.                                             |
| Priya | It does, but everyone could work comfortably. <b>Not only that, but</b> it has a projector we can use.      |
| Dan   | That would save us hiring one. Is there anything else we need to check?                                     |
| Priya | <b>A further consideration is</b> access: the hall entrance is step-free, unlike this room.                 |
| Dan   | That's a strong reason to move. I'll check whether it's available.                                          |
| Priya | Thanks. If it is, I'll update the joining instructions so nobody comes to the wrong room.                   |

**Key phrases:** On top of that / Not only that, but / A further consideration is

## Create your own conversation

Choose one prompt. Use at least two key phrases and include a natural response and follow-up.

**Prompt 1:** Discuss a proposal to extend a public service. Add evidence and practical considerations.

**Prompt 2:** An event has more participants than expected. Develop an argument for changing the venue.