

## IMMERSE ME REFLECTION #2

In my ImmerseMe conversation with Albert, we found ourselves exploring a wide range of topics and though as usual I found myself a little flustered at times, I feel that we flowed rather naturally and that the ultimate conversation played out nicely. The problem with my French is that it is so very linked with my English and so when I speak it I do tend to slip between the two languages to fill my gaps, maybe a little carelessly. I believe I usually temper this well, but in my conversation with Albert it became an especially prevalent problem. While I was able to speak to the basics, as I call them, relatively well (name, age, place of residence, et cetera.), When it came to more complex issues like opinions, routines and fluctuating events and states of mind, I began to get, as I said, a little careless. I always try to speak with a sense of humor and I do think that Albert felt this and was able to laugh along with me. The other part of me wants to be as formal as possible. Which makes remembering the rules my priority. I do think that a bit of conversational quality can be lost with this harsher impulse. In comparison to my first ImmerseMe conversation, I found that talking to Albert went a little bit smoother, except I realized that this might be because I was very reliant on falling back on my English as a crutch. Working on my speech in French is definitely a priority of mine and doing so, I think, will solidify my confidence in the language overall.