USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

Speaking Guide

PICTURE DESCRIPTION

Talk about:



Where was the picture taken? What can you see in the background?

weather

What's the weather like? What season is it?

people (clothes, appearance)

What do they look like? What are they wearing?

activities

What are the people doing?

your opinion

Are the people enjoying themselves? Are they having fun? What makes you think so?

Useful phrases

- The picture shows/presents
- The picture was taken
- In the picture there is/are
- In the picture I can see
- In the foreground
- In the background
- In the middle
- On the left/ right

Extra phrases

- The people seem (to be happy/sad/tired because...)
- It looks like (summer/ home office...)
- They look like (tourists/ a family/ friends...)
- They are enjoying themselves.
- They are having fun.

Notes

Expressing opinion

- In my opinion,
- To my mind,
- As I see it,
- From my point of view,
- To be honest,
- According to...
- Personally, I think...
- I believe,

DISCUSSION

Tips:

- 1. Use **Present Simple** to talk about things in general.
- 2. Use Past Simple to describe past events.
- 3.Use Future Simple to talk about possible events in the future or your predictions about the future.
- 4. Use **Present Perfect** to talk about your experiences.
- 5.Listen to your partner and respond to what he/she is saying.
- Agree and disagree with your partner.
- 7. Ask extra questions.

Grammar Time!

PRESENT SIMPLE

+ subject + verb

Remember about the
ending for
HE/SHE/ IT!

?Do/ Does + subject + verb?

-subject + don't/ doesn't + verb

PAST SIMPLE

+ subject + verb +ed/ |

? Did + subject + verb?

- subject + didn't + verb

was/ were! być

FUTURE SIMPLE

+ subject + will +verb

? Will + subject + verb?

- subject + won't + verb

Shall I/ we...?

PRESENT PERFECT

- + subject + have/has +verb +ed/
- ? Have/ Has + subject + verb (ed/III)?
- subject + haven't/hasn't+ verb (-ed/III)

Agree/ disagree with

- I agree/ disagree with you.
- I'm afraid I disagree
- I think you're right/wrong.
- I can see your point but...
- Well, I think it's not true because...

Giving arguments

- On the one hand,
- On the other hand,
- However,
- Firstly,
- · Secondly,
- What's more,
- All in all,
- To sum up,

Extra phrases

- Well, that's an interesting question.
- I've never thought about it.
- Let me think for a moment.
 - What do you mean?
- I'm not sure what you mean.
- Could you paraphrase the question?
- Could you repeat, please?
- Could you speak up, please?

Time expressions

- always
- often
- sometimes
- every...
- lately
- never
- so far
- ever
- for/since
- yesterday
- ...ago
- last
- in the future
 - soon