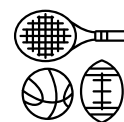


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EXERCISE 1 NAME SPORTS. EACH SPORT SHOULD BEGIN WITH THE LAST LETTER OF THE PREVIOUS WORD.

e.g. archery - yoga - athletics...

EXERCISE 2 DISCUSS THE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW.

1. What sports do most people like in your country?
2. What is your favourite sport?
3. Why do you think sports are important?

EXERCISE 3 READ THE ANSWER BELOW AND DIVIDE IT INTO THREE PARTS: *GENERAL OPINION*, *PERSONAL OPINION*, AND *EXAMPLE*.

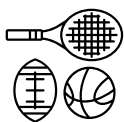
Do you think playing sports is important for children?

Many people believe that sports are essential for children's development, and I completely agree. In my opinion, sports are fantastic because they teach valuable life skills, like teamwork and discipline. Take my younger brother, for example—he plays football, and I've seen firsthand how it's helped him become more confident and independent.

EXERCISE 4 IN THE TEXT IN EXERCISE 3, UNDERLINE THREE PHRASES - ONE THAT EXPRESSES A GENERAL OPINION, ONE THAT EXPRESSES A PERSONAL OPINION, AND A PHRASE USED TO INTRODUCE AN EXAMPLE.

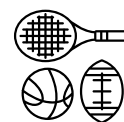
EXERCISE 5 MATCH THE UNDERLINED PHRASES TO THEIR SYNONYMS BELOW.

_____	_____	_____
I think that... Personally, I feel that... I believe that...	For instance, ... One example is... ...such as...	A lot of people think that... Many people say that... It is said that...



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EXERCISE 6 READ A GENERAL OPINION AND COMPLETE IT WITH YOUR OWN OPINION AND AN EXAMPLE.

Most people think that team sports are better than individual sports.

PERSONAL OPINION: _____

EXAMPLE: _____

EXERCISE 7 READ THE QUESTION AND STRUCTURE YOUR ANSWER, PROVIDING GENERAL AND PERSONAL OPINIONS AND AN EXAMPLE.

Is watching sports on TV a good way to spend free time?

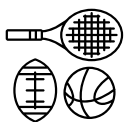
GENERAL OPINION: _____

PERSONAL OPINION: _____

EXAMPLE: _____

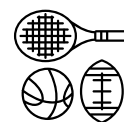
EXERCISE 8 WRITE YOUR ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW. REMEMBER TO INCLUDE GENERAL AND PERSONAL OPINIONS AND EXAMPLES.

Do you think children should play team sports?



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Is it better to play sports indoors or outdoors?

EXERCISE 9 IN PAIRS, ASK AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

1. Do you think that sports should be a mandatory subject at school?
2. Is playing sports a good way to stay healthy?
3. Are individual sports better than team sports?

Teacher's notes

Exercise 1. Lead-in

5 mins

Introduce the topic by asking students to name sports that they are familiar with. Do this task as a whole group activity. Students go in a circle and name sports beginning with the last letter of a previously mentioned word.

Exercise 2. Pair discussion 1

7 mins

Students work in pairs and discuss their answers to questions about sports. Monitor the activity and provide feedback on their speaking skills at the end.

After the discussion, gather a few responses and write them on the whiteboard or in the chat. Correct any mistakes as needed. Then, ask the students to identify which answers express general opinions, personal preferences, and personal opinions. Encourage them to suggest improvements for some of the answers by providing specific examples.

Exercise 3. Speaking structure - introduction

4 mins

Provide students with an opinion-based question and an example answer. Students read the answer and divide it into three parts: a general opinion, a personal opinion and an example. Check and discuss the answers.

Answers:

General opinion - Many people believe that sports are essential for children's development.

Personal opinion - ...and I completely agree. In my opinion, sports are fantastic because they teach valuable life skills, like teamwork and discipline.

Example - Take my younger brother, for example—he plays football, and I've seen firsthand how it's helped him become more confident and independent.

Exercise 4 + 5. Teach vocabulary

4 mins

Students look back at exercise 3 and underline three phrases: one for expressing a general opinion, one for a personal opinion, and one as an example.

Answers:

General opinion - Many people believe that...

Personal opinion - In my opinion, ...

Example - ...for example...

Then, refer to the table in exercise 5 and match the underlined phrases to their synonyms.

<i>In my opinion</i>	<i>...for example...</i>	<i>Many people believe that...</i>
I think that... Personally, I feel that... I believe that...	For instance, ... One example is... ...such as...	A lot of people think that... Many people say that... It is said that...

Exercise 6. Answer building 1

5 mins

As a group, discuss a general opinion and brainstorm possible ways to conclude the response. Each student writes down their personal opinions and provide examples to support their viewpoints. After sharing the answers, offer any necessary corrections to one another.

Teacher's notes

Exercise 7. Answer building 2

4 mins

This activity serves as a practice exercise. For weaker groups, it can be conducted as a whole-class activity or in pairs. Students read a question and write their answers in three parts, clearly expressing their general opinions, personal opinions, and providing an example. Afterwards, compare the answers and correct any errors as needed.

Suggested answer:

A lot of people enjoy watching sports on TV because it's entertaining and relaxing. I think it's a great way to spend time, especially if you can't play the sport yourself. For example, when I watch tennis matches, I learn new strategies that I can use when I play.

Exercise 8. Answer building 3

6 mins

Before discussing the answers to the questions, give students a few minutes to organize their thoughts and write down their responses. Remind them to follow the structure mentioned in class. After that, check and discuss their answers.

Exercise 9. Exam task

7 mins

Inform students that during the exam, they will not have any preparation time before speaking. Students work in pairs, asking and answering sports-related questions while keeping in mind the answer structure learned in class.

Error correction

3 mins

Provide speaking feedback.