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Speaking

Aspect: athletes using prosthetics



Awesome Sport Stories

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Drew Brees provided a prosthetic leg to a high school quarterback who suffered a traumatic injury last fall: "If there's anything above Cloud Nine, that's where I'm at right now."



3:30 pm 17 May 2018

11 Reposts

1 Quote

22 Likes



Drew Brees is an American former football quarterback who played in the National Football League (NFL) for 20 seasons. He is regarded as one of the greatest quarterbacks of all time.

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Individual long
turn

Give a five-minute talk on the topic of athletes using prosthetics in which you

- » comment on the post,
- » explain how prosthetic-wearing athletes are inspiring both in and beyond sports,
- » reflect on how to ensure fair play with prosthetics in sports.

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Aspect: celebrity advertising

Search for “Ed’s Heinz Ad”. Watch the video on a platform like YouTube.



<https://youtu.be/keOaQm6RpBg>

Give a five-minute talk on the topic of celebrity advertising in which you

- » interpret the video,
- » explain how advertisers use celebrities to attract customers,
- » discuss elements that make an ad memorable.



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Individual long
turn

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Speaking



Aspect: almond moms

Search for “Snack Healthy – Live The Almond Life”. Watch the video on a platform like YouTube.



https://youtu.be/jk_e_q9Wkz4

The term “almond mom” gained popularity on TikTok in late 2022. It refers to parents, usually moms, who enforce strict diets on their kids to keep them thin. It came from a scene on *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills* where Yolanda Hadid told her daughter Gigi to eat almonds when she felt weak. This term criticises extreme dieting, which prioritises being thin over being healthy. Even though the term is often used as a joke, it still brings attention to the serious issue of our relationship with food and our bodies, particularly among young people.

Give a five-minute talk on the topic of celebrity advertising in which you

- » interpret the video,
- » explain how parents’ views on diet and body shape influence their kids,
- » suggest methods families can use to encourage balanced eating and a positive body image.

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Individual long
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Aspect: benefits and challenges of TikTok

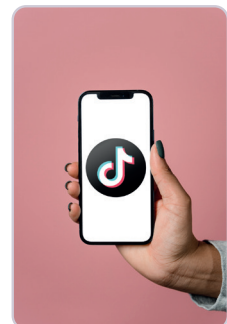
Search for “We Are Social x TikTok – Now you know”. Watch the video on a platform like YouTube.



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Give a five-minute talk on the benefits and challenges of TikTok in which you

- » interpret the video,
- » discuss whether TikTok is a platform for self-expression or consumption,
- » analyse how TikTok might negatively impact young people’s behaviour.



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Test format
Individual long
turn

Useful transition phrases for the individual long turn

Introduction

Today, I'd like to talk about [topic].

Today, I'd like to discuss [topic].

Today, I'd like to give a short talk on / about [topic].

My five-minute talk will focus on [topic].

I was asked to give a five-minute talk on / about [topic].

1st bullet point

I would like to start by quoting / comparing ...

First(ly), I'd like to quote / compare...

To start with, I'd like to quote / compare...

Let me begin by analysing / quoting / ...

I will first compare / analyse ...

To get started, I'd like to compare / analyse ...

pictures: First(ly), I'd like to compare various kinds of art as shown in the pictures ...

graph: First(ly), I'd like to analyse a graph which shows how / why / how many ...

cartoon: First(ly), I'd like to interpret a cartoon which shows / portrays ...

quote: First(ly), I'd like to quote [author's name], who said "..."

First(ly), I'd like to discuss a quote by [author's name] which states that ...

2nd bullet point

This leads me to / ..., which leads me to the question whether ...

This leads me to / ..., which leads me to discuss ...

Let me now explain ...

Let's now have a closer look at ...

Now that I've talked about ..., let's have a look at ...

Now, I'd like to move on and explain why ...

Now, let me move on to ...

Moving on, let's examine the pros and cons of ...

This leads me to / ..., which brings me to the comparison of pros and cons of ...

3rd bullet point

Lastly, I'd like to suggest (ways) ...

Finally, I'd like to suggest (ways) ...

Concluding my talk, I'd like to suggest (ways) ...

In conclusion, I'd like to suggest (ways) ...

To wrap up, I'd like to suggest (ways) ...

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Speaking

Aspect: challenges in teenage-parent relationships

You and your partner have been invited to the European Youth Summit as Austrian representatives to give a talk on challenges in teenage-parent relationships. You have ten minutes to discuss the following challenges and come to a clear decision as to what to include in your talk:

- » balance between independence and parental protection
- » educational performance expectations
- » impacts of extensive technology use
- » financial disagreements
- » exploration of gender identity



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Paired activity

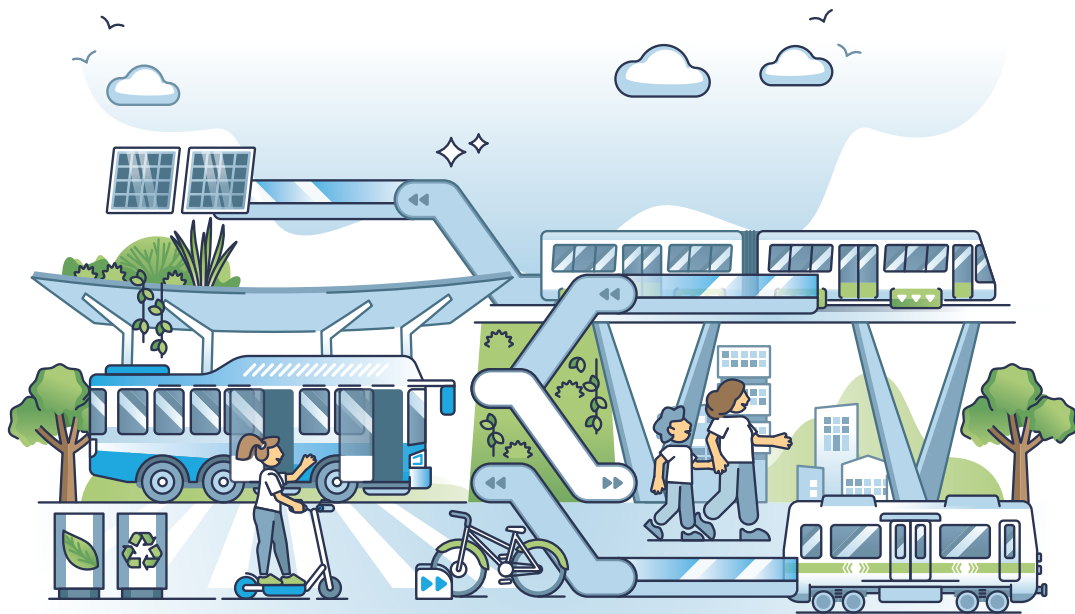
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Aspect: attractiveness of public transportation

Your town is holding a Youth Advisory Council meeting. The transportation director has asked you and your partner to suggest ideas to make public transportation more attractive, especially for your age group. You have ten minutes to discuss the following changes and come to a clear decision on which ideas to suggest at the meeting:

- » electric buses and solar panels on bus stops
- » free Wi-Fi and charging ports for electronic devices
- » extended public transport operating hours
- » contests with prizes for using public transportation
- » dedicated bus lanes for faster travel



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Paired activity