





**1 Speaking & Communication**

**2 Speaking Activities**

**3 Suggestions for Teachers**

# 1 Speaking & Communication



## Speaking

is giving information without a need of a response.

# Communication



is a verbal and non-verbal exchange of information that requires a response.

# Why should we teach speaking skills in the classroom?

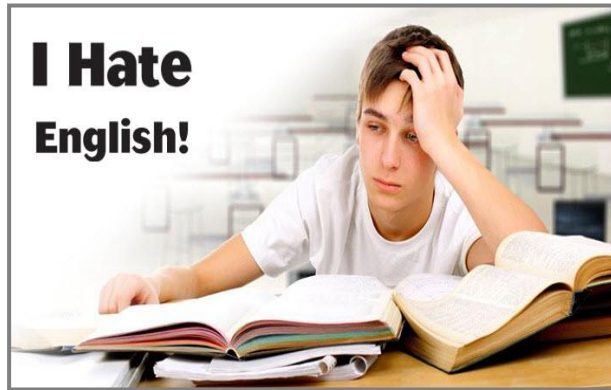


% of the workday is spent in

**50%–80%**



# No Speaking = Fear of Speaking



## 2 Speaking Activities

A/ icebreakers

B/ drills or linguistically structured activities

C/ performance activities

D/ participation activities

E/ observation activities



## A/ Icebreakers

A: Andy, have you seen my cat?

B: Black one, with funny eyes?

C: Can't say I remember.

D: Don't tell me you've forgotten what it looks like?

E: Every cat looks the same to me.

F: Fortunately, I found one yesterday.

G: Gee, that's great!





Celebrities  
earn too  
much  
money

Friendship is  
the most  
important  
relationship  
in life



Taking selfies  
is a selfish act

Rules  
at school  
are strict

<b>Sports that are played with a ball</b>	<b>Enjoyable things to do during a rainy weekend</b>	<b>Type of relatives</b>	<b>Ways of communicating with friends</b>
<b>Irregular verbs</b>	<b>Different clothes people wear</b>	<b>Different things you can buy at the supermarket</b>	<b>Different household chores</b>
<b>Different means of transportation</b>	<b>Type of fast food</b>	<b>Alcoholic drinks</b>	<b>Things you can do to stay healthy</b>
<b>Advantages of learning English</b>	<b>English nouns that are uncountable</b>	<b>Jobs in which you need to talk to people</b>	<b>Different activities tourists can do in Portugal</b>
<b>Objects that you see around you</b>	<b>Advantages of living in a big city</b>	<b>Fruits</b>	<b>Vegetables</b>
<b>Animals that you can keep in your house</b>	<b>Things that you can put in your pocket</b>	<b>Different things that kids love doing</b>	<b>Adjectives used to describe people</b>
<b>Different things you should do while driving a car</b>	<b>You don't have to do today</b>	<b>Different things you must do</b>	<b>Something people should do more often</b>

## ***Chain***

Student 1: Where is the cat?  
Student 2: The cat is under the table.  
Student 2: Where is the cat?  
Student 3: The cat is under the table.

## **B/ Drills- Structured Activities**

### ***Repetition***

The cat is under the table.



### ***Completion***

Teacher: The cat is...  
Students: under the table.  
OR  
very tired.  
OR  
thinking about lunch.

### ***Transformation***

Teacher: The cat is under the table.  
NOT  
Students: The cat is not under the table.  
OR  
Teacher: The cat is under the table.  
QUESTION  
Students: Is the cat under the table?

# C/ Performance Activities

## *Students' speech/ presentation*



	Ideas for presentation	Good	Not good
1	My.....is not important to the audience.		
2	My presentation has a clear .....		
3	I speak more .....as usual.		
4	I can make as many .....as I want.		
5	I write .....information in the slides.		
6	I use the same language in writing and ..... English.		
7	I use.....questions in my presentation.		
8	I use pictures or.....in my slides.		
9	I read out the .....from the slide.		
10	I use .....to make my presentation interesting.		

words  
loudly  
speaking  
rhetorical  
parts  
detailed  
structure  
appearance  
charts  
examples

## 8.6 Speaking

### Giving a presentation

*I can give a presentation on a natural wonder.*

#### 1 In pairs, follow the instructions.

- Make a list of well-known natural wonders.
- Compare your list with another pair.
- In groups of four, discuss which of the places you have visited or would like to visit.

#### 2 Look at the photo and describe it using the words in the box.

cave/cavern crystal minerals  
geologists underground

#### 3 CD•3.30 MP3•127 You are going to listen to a presentation about the Giant Crystal Cave. How will the information below relate to the topic? Listen and check.

- |                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 the year 2000        | 4 58 degrees Celsius |
| 2 half a million years | 5 10 minutes         |
| 3 55 tons              |                      |

#### 4 CD•3.30 MP3•127 Complete the SPEAKING FOCUS with the words in the box. Then listen again and check.

aware during free familiar  
realise wondered

### SPEAKING FOCUS

#### Introducing the topic

Have you ever thought about/considered/ \_\_\_\_\_ how/why/what ... ?

\_\_\_\_\_ my/this presentation, I plan to tell you about ...

You may be wondering why I've chosen to talk about ... today. Well, let me explain ...

#### Introducing familiar information

We are (probably) all <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ with ...

You may be <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that ...

You may already know that ...

Perhaps you have heard of/about ...

#### Introducing surprising information

Most people aren't aware/don't <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ ...

... but, did you know that ... ?

You might not know that ...

#### Finishing your presentation

OK, that's all from me.

Thank you for listening.

I hope you found the presentation interesting.

If anyone has any questions, please feel <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to ask now.

#### 5 Complete the extracts from presentations with words and phrases from the SPEAKING FOCUS.

- 1 You may be \_\_\_\_\_ why I've chosen to talk about Ha Long Bay in Vietnam today. Well, let me explain.
- 2 You may already \_\_\_\_\_ that Komodo, an island in Indonesia, is home to the famous Komodo Dragon, the biggest lizard alive on the planet today.
- 3 Perhaps you have \_\_\_\_\_ of Table Mountain in South Africa. It rises high above the city of Cape Town.
- 4 We are probably all familiar with the Amazon River, in South America, but most people aren't \_\_\_\_\_ that it was chosen as one of the new Seven Wonders of the World in 2011.
- 5 Thanks for listening. If \_\_\_\_\_ has any questions, please feel free to ask now.

#### 6 Which of these are good tips on giving presentations? Tick one sentence in each pair. Then compare with a partner.

- 1 a Speak with a clear voice at a natural speed.  
b Speak quickly and quietly.
- 2 a Don't look at the audience.  
b Make eye contact with the audience.
- 3 a Ask the audience questions to keep them involved.  
b Don't ask the audience questions.
- 4 a Write a script and read out every word when you present.  
b Have some notes with you but don't read them out.
- 5 a If you forget something, keep going. No one will notice.  
b If you forget something, say sorry and finish the presentation.
- 6 a When you finish, sit down as quickly as possible.  
b When you finish, thank the audience and invite questions.

#### 7 Prepare a presentation on a natural wonder. Follow these steps.

- 1 Select a natural wonder that interests you.
- 2 Do some research and plan your presentation.
- 3 Find some interesting photos to illustrate the presentation if possible.
- 4 Select useful language from the SPEAKING FOCUS.
- 5 Study and practise your presentation.
- 6 Give your presentation to the class. Follow the advice in Exercise 6.

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Giant Crystal Cave

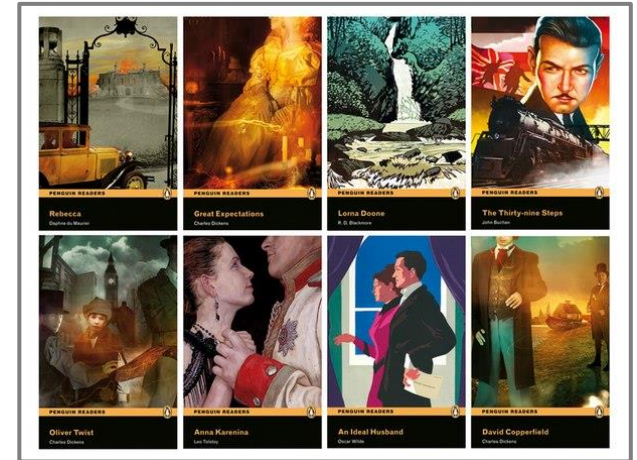




## *Class reporting*



# *Book reporting activities*



- pretend you are a talk show host and interview the main character
- dramatize a scene from the story with other students or using puppets
- discuss one particular episode in the story that you remember most clearly
- describe in detail three characters from the story



# D/ Participation Activities

## *Group Work*



- buzz group
- think-pair-share
- snowballing
- jigsaw

## Interesting facts about Australia

### Short history

First people came to Australia from Indonesia and they travelled on boats. It was about 40,000 years ago and they are called the Aborigines. In 1770 British Captain James Cook came to New South Wales and Australia became a British colony. The British started to send English criminals there and they made it a British prison colony. In 1901 Australia became a free nation but (zůstala) a part of British Commonwealth.



remained

### Australian Aboriginal Flag

is one of the official flags. There are three colours. The black represents the Aboriginal people, the red – the earth and the yellow represents the sun.

### Australian National Flag

It is a blue with the Union Jack (- the British flag). The Union Jack represents the link with Britain. The star has got seven points. 6 points represent the 6 States and one point represents the Territories. The small stars show the Southern Cross which can be seen in the sky in the southern hemisphere (polokoule)

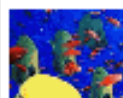


### Uluru

is Australia's most famous rock and it is also called Eysers Rock. It is about 600 million years old and it was once at the bottom of the sea. It is one of the largest monoliths in the world and it is made of sandstone (pískovec). You can climb to the top of the rock and have a wonderful view of the outback (Australské vnitrozemí). On top of the rock there are valleys, caves (jeskyně) and strange shapes. It was a sacred (svaté) place for the Aboriginal people.



### Great Barrier Reef

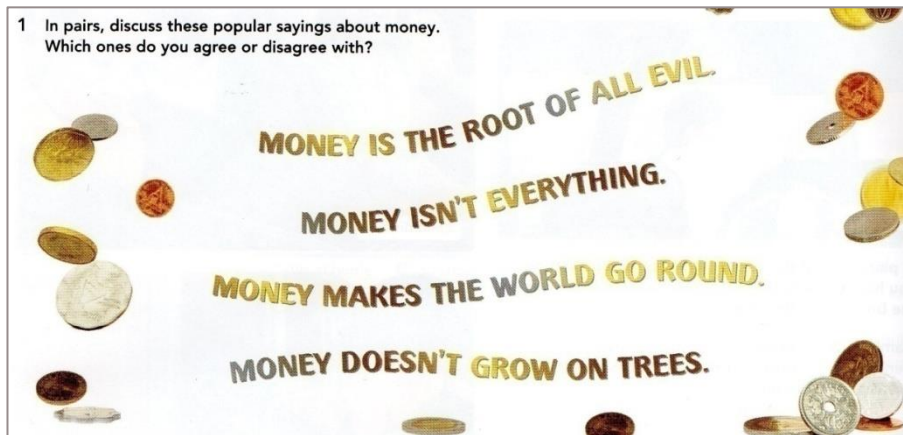


is the world's largest coral reef system (systém korálových útesů). You can see it from the space and it is over 2,000 km long and it has got more than 900 islands. There are many different types of corals, fish and other sea animals.

## *Discussion*



- 1 In pairs, discuss these popular sayings about money.  
Which ones do you agree or disagree with?



## ***Prompt cards***

**School uniforms look smart.**

**School uniforms are too expensive.**

**School uniforms make all children  
look the same.**

**Children need an opportunity to  
express themselves.**

**Children do not have to worry  
about fashion and competition.**

# Roleplay



## SPEAKING FOCUS

### Asking for advice

Can you do me a (big) favour?  
Can you give me some advice?  
Do you think I need ...?  
What do you think I should ...?

### Giving advice

The first thing you should do is ...  
If I were you, I'd/I wouldn't ...  
I (don't) think you should ...  
You (don't) need to ...  
You (really) ought to ...  
You must/mustn't ...  
The best thing would be to ...  
It's a good idea to ...  
Why don't you ...?

### Accepting advice

Good idea!  
Good thinking!  
That's really helpful.  
Oh, I didn't think of that!

## 7 In pairs, do a roleplay. Use the SPEAKING FOCUS to help you.

**Student A:** You're from England. You're going to travel to Student B's country by bus. You've never been on a long bus journey before. Ask Student B for advice about what to wear, what to take for the journey and what kind of presents to take for the family.

**Student B:** Student A is visiting you from England. He/She is going to travel to your country by bus. Give him/her some advice about what to wear, what to take for the journey and what kind of presents to bring for your family.

**A:** *Hí, Alida. Can you do me a big favour? I need your help.*

**B:** *Yes, sure. What's the problem?*

**A:** *Well, you know I'm travelling to your country by bus.*

# ***Simulations***







# ***Interview***

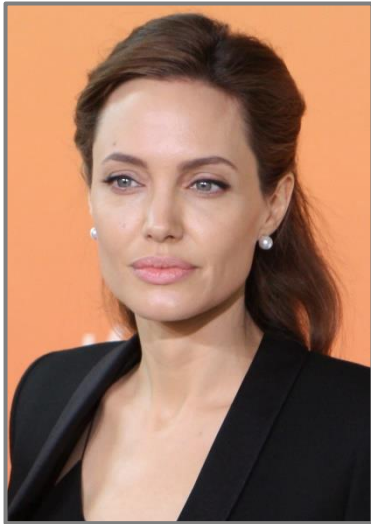
## **Waitress needed at American Pie Restaurant**

Hours: Monday – Friday 4pm – 10pm

Location:

Requirements: Must be friendly and hardworking. A good knowledge of English is a must! Our restaurant serves everything American style and many of our clients are foreigners. A basic understanding of American food and culture is required and will be assessed at the time of interview. Must be able to lift loads of up to 15kg. Experience is a plus.

Salary: 8 dollars per hour - plus tips



**You are Angelina Jolie. Study “your” biography to answer the questions of the press about “your” life and work.**

**Name:** Angelina Jolie Voight – Jolie means “pretty” in French

**Nicknames:** Angie, Ange, AJ

**Zodiac sign:** Gemini

**Movies:** the most popular are-Lara Croft:Tomb Raider, Ms.&Mrs. Smith, Changeling

**Awards:** 2 Oscars-Best Actress-Changeling, Best Supporting Actress-Girl Interrupted, 3 Golden Globes, Humanitarian Award 2014

**Spouses:** Johnny Lee Miller (divorced), Billy Bob Thornton(divorced), Brad Pitt (separated)-6 children together(3adopted)

**Tattoos:** Japanese sign for death, Indian symbols, a dragon, a large black cross...



**Charity:** Goodwill Ambassador, her experiences in the book “Notes from My Travels”-profit goes for charity

**Likes:** television series- King of the Hill, Game Show Network, Animal Planet





# *Information Gap*

Student A

1	
2	
3	
4	

Student B

1	
2	
3	
4	

## Resource 34 Shopping for clothes

Focus review 7, Speaking

### Part 2 – Student A

- A: Can I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you?  
 B: Yes, I'm looking for a cotton top in black. Have you got something like this?  
 A: Of course, here are all our tops. What <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ do you need?  
 B: I'm a size 10.  
 A: Here it is. Would you like to <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it on?  
 B: Sure. Where are the changing rooms?  
 A: Over there. (...) So, how is it? <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it fit?  
 B: It's great. How much is it?  
 A: £10.50.  
 B: I'll take it.  
 A: How <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you like to pay?  
 B: By credit card. And if there's something wrong with it, can I return it?  
 A: Yes. I'm afraid we can't give you a <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ but we can exchange it for something else. But you must keep the receipt.  
 B: Of course. Thank you. Goodbye.



### Part 2 – Student B

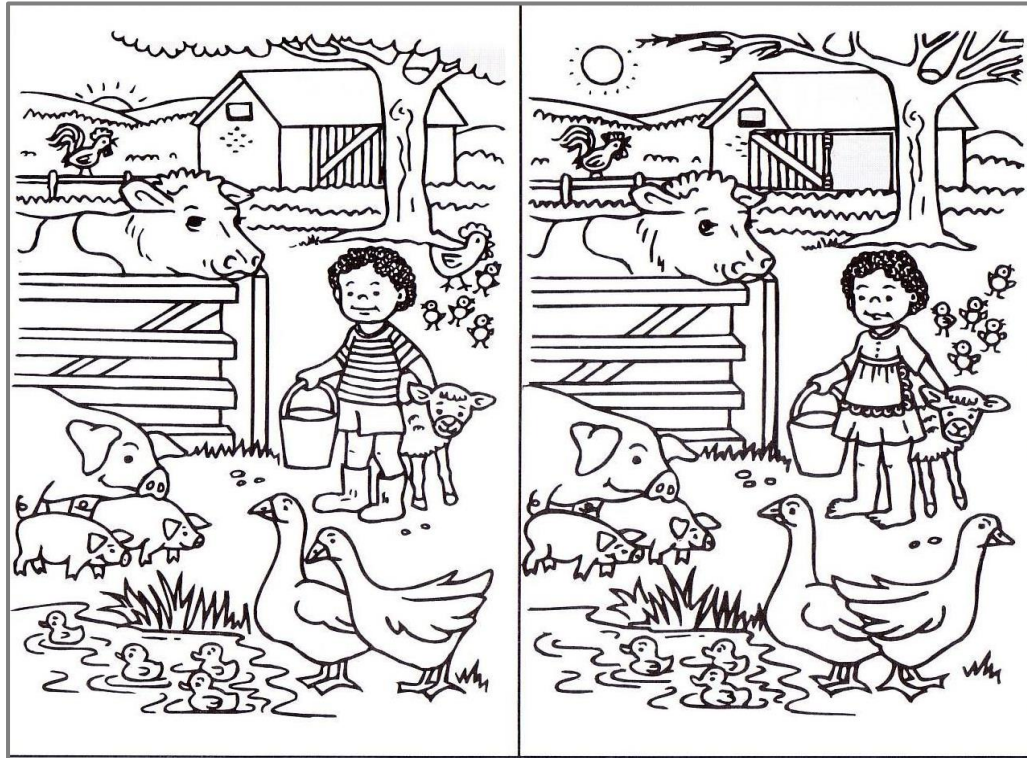
- A: Can I help you?  
 B: Yes, I'm <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ for a cotton top in black. Have you got something like this?  
 A: Of course, here are all our tops. What size do you need?  
 B: I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a size 10.  
 A: Here it is. Would you like to try it on?  
 B: Sure. Where are the <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ rooms?  
 A: Over there. (...) So, how is it? Does it fit?  
 B: It's great. How <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ is it?  
 A: £10.50.  
 B: I'll <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
 A: How would you like to pay?  
 B: By credit card. And if there's something wrong with it, can I <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it?  
 A: Yes. I'm afraid we can't give you a refund but we can exchange it for something else. But you must keep the receipt.  
 B: Of course. Thank you. Goodbye.

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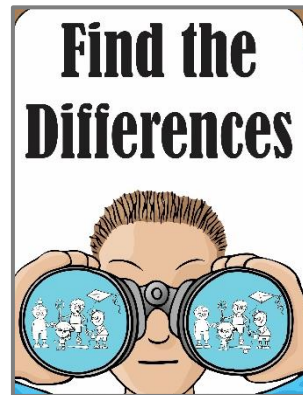
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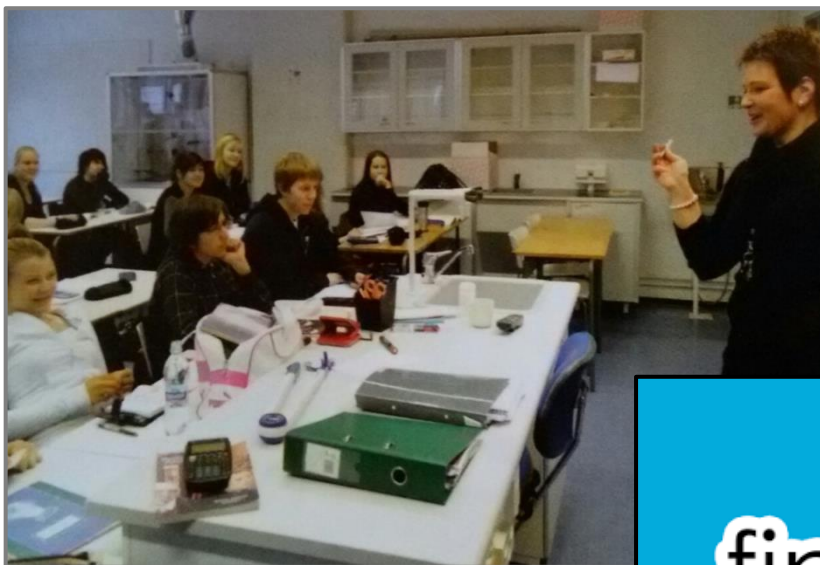
# *Find the Differences*



<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>
<i>guitar</i>	<i>piano</i>
<i>Micky Mouse</i>	<i>Donald Duck</i>



<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>
<i>cat</i>	<i>fish</i>
<i>credit card</i>	<i>driving licence</i>





# ***Story completion***

One day when I was walking home from my best friend's house, a car stopped beside me...





# It's story TIME

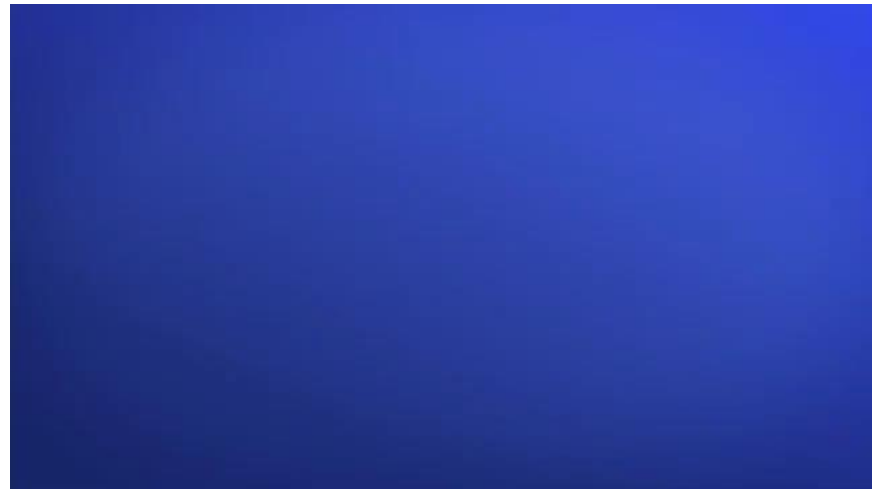




***String things together***



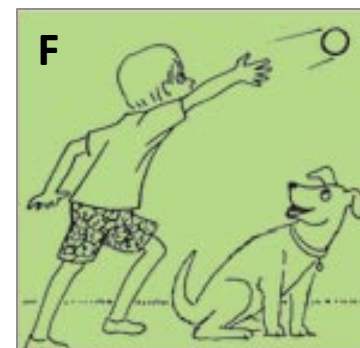
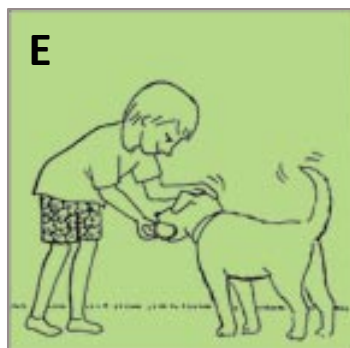
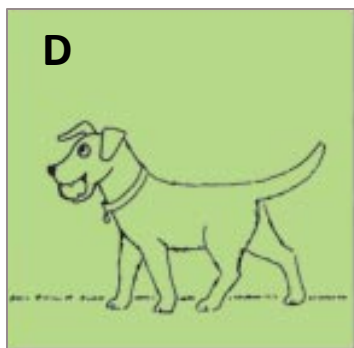
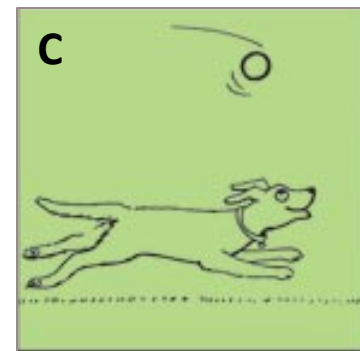
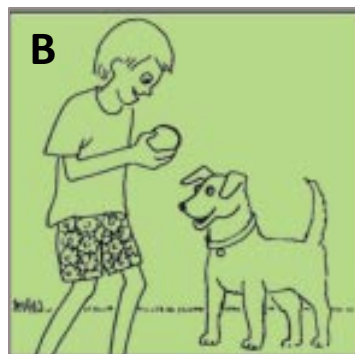
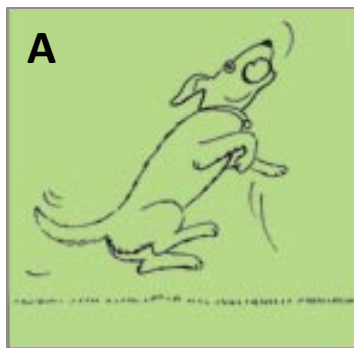
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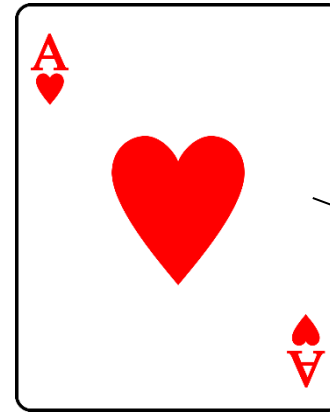
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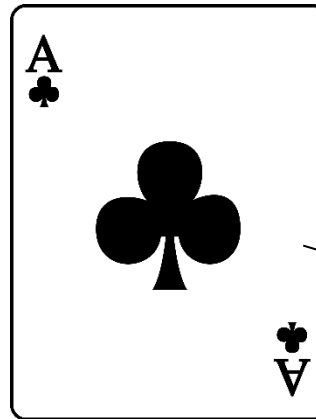
# Sequencing



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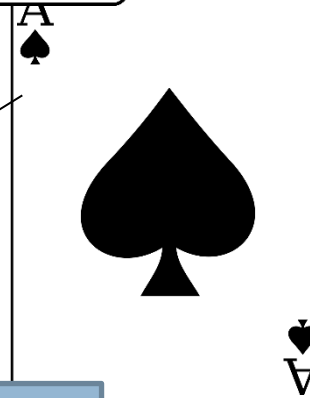


**HOBBIES  
I WOULD  
LIKE TO TRY**

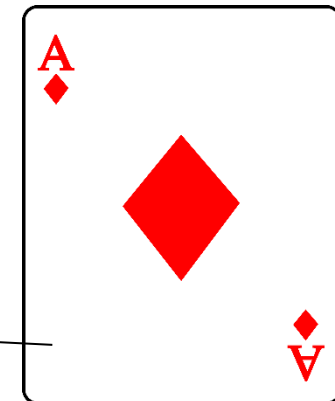


**DUTIES I HATE**

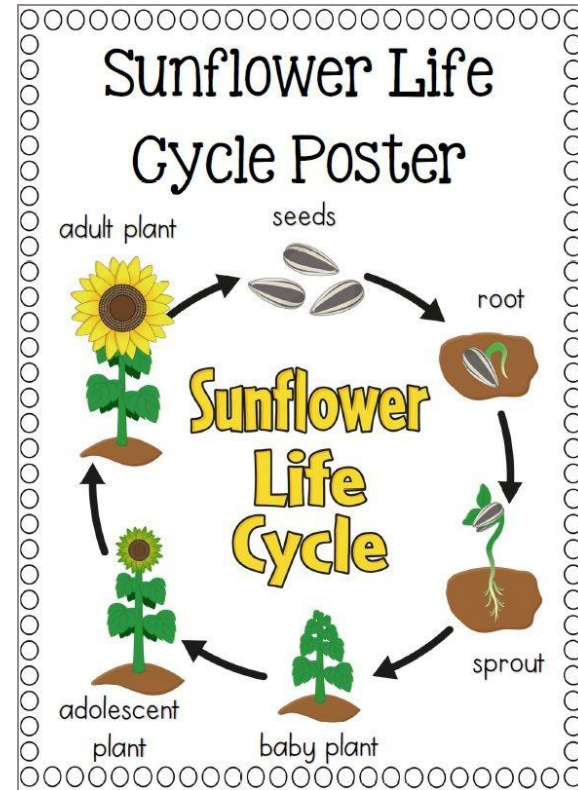
**MY FUTURE  
PLANS**



**MY FAVOURITE  
BOOK**



# E/ Observation Activities



## 4/ Suggestions for Teachers

- provide maximum opportunity to students to speak
- try to involve each student in every speaking activity
- reduce teacher speaking time in class
- step back and observe students
- do not correct students' mistakes too often
- give positive comments on students' responses





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