

English Speaking Day (Nov, 19 Day 4)

Language Across the Curriculum (LAC)

F.5 One-Minute Individual Response Practice

NOTES TO STUDENTS

Aim: Help F.5 students to better prepare for the one-minute individual response question in HKDSE English Paper 4 (Speaking)

Date and time: Nov, 19 (Tues) (Day 4) recess / lunchtime / after school

Theme: science and math

Teachers involved: Principal Lee + English teachers + science teachers + math teachers

Details of the activity:

1. - On Nov, 19, all your group members (ranging from 3 to 5) should get together first, and then go and see the teacher as a group at the expected time.
 - The teacher will ask each student one question, and he or she will give a one-minute response to that question. Please be respectful to your group members by listening to them patiently while they are speaking.
 - When everyone in the group is finished answering the questions, the teacher may give some feedback on your performance.
2. Make sure you go see your teacher ON TIME. If you're 10 minutes late, you'll have a 3-mark deduction penalty. And if you fail to show up without a good reason, you'll get a 5-mark deduction and be sent to detention.
3. Please check that the time that we've assigned to you for meeting with your teacher on Nov 19 is fine with you. If you're not sure if the time is okay with you, you MUST let Mr.Wong Kwan Ho know TODAY so that special arrangement can be made for you. If we don't hear from you within today, we'll assume that you don't have any problems with the time.
4. We've also included a list of questions that will be asked by the teacher. It's best for you to get prepared beforehand by looking through these questions carefully, so that you know how you're going to answer them on English Speaking Day.

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE QUESTIONS

A. On mobile phones

1. In what ways has the mobile phone changed people's lives?
2. What are the advantages and disadvantages of using a smartphone?
3. Should secondary school students be allowed to use mobile phones at school?
Why?

B. On the Internet and computer games

1. What are the possible causes and effects of Internet addiction among young people?
2. If your friend or family member is addicted to the Internet or online games, how would you help him or her to overcome his or her addiction?
3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the Internet use?
4. Why do so many people like using social networking sites like Facebook and Twitter?
5. Do you think it is safe to disclose your personal information on social networking sites like Facebook?

C. On health

1. There have been an increasing number of obese children and adults worldwide.
Why?
2. How can we lead a healthy life? Explain at least THREE things that we should do.

D. On drug abuse

1. Do you think the the drug-testing scheme should be carried out in all secondary schools in Hong Kong? If yes, should it be a voluntary or mandatory one?
2. Why do some teenagers take illegal drugs? What harmful effects will there be?

E. On modern science and technology

1. What do you think is the greatest invention of the modern times? Why?
2. Do you think it is possible for ordinary people to travel to the moon in the future? If yes, would you want to do that?
3. Some people say advances in science and technology have done more harm than good to human beings. Do you agree?