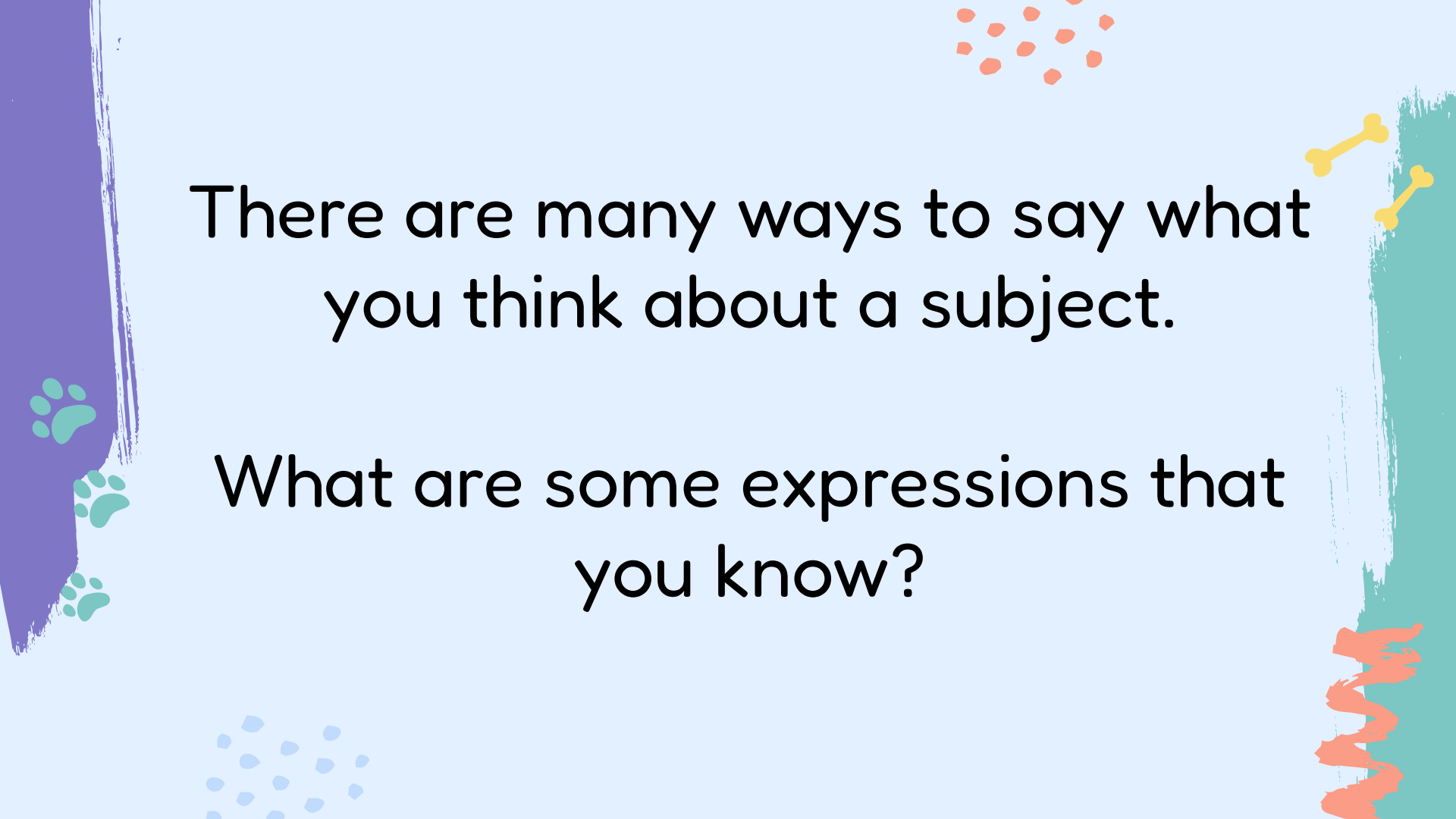


# Comparing photos & expressing opinion

speaking practice



There are many ways to say what you think about a subject.

What are some expressions that you know?

# Ways to give an opinion

- STRONG opinion:

I bet that ....

I dare say that ...

I'm absolutely convinced that...

I'm sure that...

I strongly believe that...

I have no doubt that...

There's no doubt in my mind that...

~~I think...~~

- NEUTRAL opinion:

I am not sure/certain, but...

I feel that...

In my opinion...

In my view...

I tend to think that...

I suppose that...

It seems to me that...

I must admit that I'm not sure...

- GENERAL opinion:

Some people say that...

Most people believe that...

It is often said that...

It is generally accepted that...

Everybody knows that...

It is thought that...

Some people say that...

It is considered...

Apparently...

I've heard that...

- PERSONAL opinion:

In my experience...

I don't know about other people, but I can say...

What I've found is...

As I see it...

If you ask me...

## Giving opinions

*I have seen /noticed /observed that ...*

*I just don't think it's right that ...*

*One argument in favour of ... is that ...*

*I think people should (have the right to) ...*

## Giving the opposite opinion

*Maybe, but it seems to me that ...*

*I partly agree, but I still believe that...*

*I don't agree. In my opinion, ...*

*I completely disagree. To me, ...*

## Clarifying your opinion

*No, that's not what I'm trying to say.*

*What I mean is ...*

*No, that's not what I mean.*

*All I'm saying is that...*

## Giving yourself time to think

*That's an interesting point.*

*I've never really thought about that.*

*Um, let me think.*

*It's hard to say.*

# EXPRESS OPINIONS IN ENGLISH

## PERSONAL POINT OF VIEW

### STRONG

- I bet that ....
- I dare say that ...
- I'm sure that...
- I have no doubt that...
- I strongly believe that...

### NEUTRAL

- In my opinion...
- As far as I'm concerned...
- I suppose that...
- It seems to me that...
- I am not sure/certain, but...

### SUBJECTIVE

- In my experience...
- To my mind, ...
- As far as I am concerned,...
- As far as I understand...
- As for me, ...

## GENERAL POINT OF VIEW

- Some people say that...
- Many/Most people think/believe that...
- It is often said that...
- It is generally accepted that...
- Everybody knows that...
- According to scientists...
- It is thought that...
- Some people say that...
- It is considered...
- It is generally accepted that...
- The research seems to suggest...
- Apparently...
- I've heard that...



# EXPRESSING OPINIONS IN ENGLISH

- In my opinion...
- As far as I know/ understand...
- As far as I am concerned, ...
- As for me ...
- As I see it...
- Everybody knows that...
- From my point of view, ...
- I (strongly) believe that...
- I am sure / I am certain that ...
- I am under the impression that ...
- I bet that ....
- I gather that ...
- What I mean is...
- I'd suggest that ....



- I hold the opinion/view that ...
- I might be wrong but...
- I tend to think that...
- I'd like to point out that...
- If you ask me...
- In my experience...
- It is my impression that ...
- It seems to me that ...
- Personally speaking...
- Personally, I think/believe...
- To my mind, ...
- I guess that ...
- I have no doubt that ...
- I am not sure/certain, but...



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In a photo comparison task,

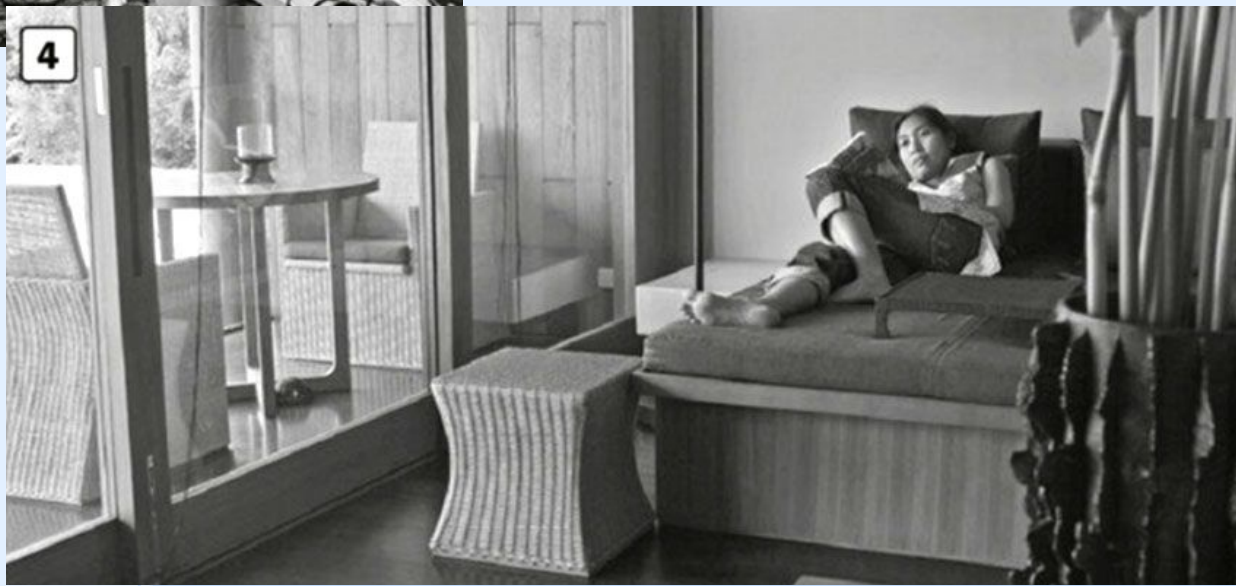
remember to:

- compare the photos, pointing out any obvious similarities and difference,

- describe what you think could be happening
- give your opinion and speculate about the situation.

Go from GENERAL to specific

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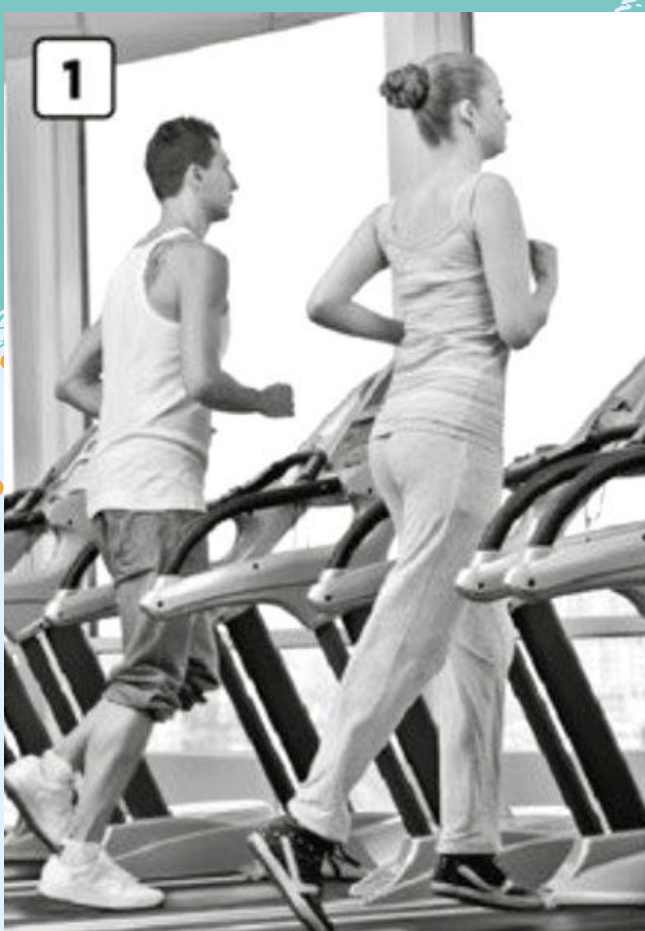






How can  
technology help  
students learn?





Are team sports better than solo sports?



A



Is hot weather  
better than cold  
weather?

B



Is paying with cash better than using a credit card?

