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PET Paper 3 – SPEAKING- Part 2 (Simulated situation) (2-3')

Starting	

Shall we talk about this picture first?

Shall I go first?

Would you like to start?

Responding to your partner

I see what you mean

Asking for your partner's opinion

What do you think?

What's your opinion?

Making a decision

So, which one is best?

Shall we choose this idea?

I think we should....what do you think?

<u>Personal Point of View</u>: We use these words and phrases to express a personal point of view:

- I think...
- In my opinion.... /In my view....
- As I see it...
- As far as I'm concerned...
- From my point of view..../My point of view is that...
- Personally, I think...
- I'd say that...
- I'd suggest that...
- I'd like to point out that...
- I believe that...
- What I mean is...

Agreeing with an opinion: We use these words and phrases to agree with someone else's point of view:

- Of course.
- That sounds good.
- You're right. /You're absolutely right.
- Yes, I agree with
- I think so too.
- That's a good point.
- Exactly.
- So do I.

Partial agreement

- I agree with this point of view, but....
- You could be right, but...
- I agree up to a point, but...
- I agree with you, but...

- I'd go along with that.
- That's true.
- Neither do I.
- I completely agree with you
- That's just what I was thinking.
- I couldn't agree more.../ I couldn't agree more on this
- I agree with this idea...
- This idea is right, but....
- That's a good idea but...
- That's an interesting idea but...
- Do you really think?

Disagreeing with an opinion: We use these words and phrases to disagree with someone else's point of view

- I don't think so.
- That's not how I see it.
- I think you're wrong
- That's different.

- I'm sorry but I don't agree with you.
- I disagree with you.
- However...
- That's not entirely true.

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- On the contrary...
- I'm sorry to disagree with you, but...
- Yes, but don't you think...
- That's not the same thing at all.
- I'm afraid I have to disagree./ I'm afraid I

Ask for opinion

- Do you think...?
- What do you think about...?

Giving you opinion

- In my opinion, this one would be better.
- To my mind this one's better.
- If you ask me, this one's better.
- To my way of thinking, this one's fine.
- In my view, this one is best.

- can't agree with you
- I'm not so sure about that.
- I'm not sure I agree with you
- I think this is a bad idea
- How do you feel about...?
- Know what I think? That one's best.
- I'd say tomorrow that one's better.
- What I think is that one's better.
- For me, that one's better.
- I tell you what I think, that one's best.

Making suggestions

- Why don't we buy/ choose...?
- Shall we buy/go/choose...?
- Let's buy/choose/go...

- Why not buy/choose/go....
- How about buying/choosing/going....?
- It would be nice to buy/choose/go...

Changing your mind

- (Actually,) I've changed my mind.
- On second thoughts...
- Hang on a minute / a second.

Making a statement

• The fact is (that)...

Expressing uncertainty

- Maybe....
- Perhaps...

• The point is (that)...

• Did I really say that?

On reflection...

What was I thinking?

• It might-may-could- must be a good idea to...