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Warm Up

Watch the video carefully and share some of the opinions given that you heard in the video.

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Presentation and practice

To give reasons and opinions you need to consider some basic expressions that help you make yourself understood either in a written or spoken context.

Expressions or Linking words opinions are classified as follows:

- **Common phrases:** *I think…I believe…I feel…In my opinion…* and *I would say…*
- **Add strength:** *I really think, I strongly believe, I truly feel,* or *in my honest opinion…*
- **Formal phrases:** *From my point of view, from my perspective, In my view,* or *it seems to me that…*
- **Asking for opinions:** *¿What do you think of? What are your thoughts on? ¿How do you feel about…?* And *What's your opinion on…?*
- **Agreeing & disagreeing:** *So do I, Me too, Definitely. I agree.* Or *I couldn't agree more.*

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Reading activity

Read the text and complete the sentence with the correct expressions given in the text.

Talking about sports and favorite players.

Paul: Have you seen the match between Barcelona and Real Madrid?

Steve: No, why?

Paul: It was a great football game, Cristiano Ronaldo scored two goals for the victory of Real Madrid, I think he is the best football player in the world.

Steve: I don't think so, Real Madrid may have won but Cristiano Ronaldo is not the best player in the world, Messi has more quality of play, besides he is more of an assist than Cristiano Ronaldo.

Paul: I don't agree with you, Cristiano Ronaldo has scored goals with a header and a bicycle kick, and he also stands out in his national team.

Steve: But in my honest opinion, Cristiano Ronaldo doesn't dribble like Messi does, plus Messi often helps his team on his own and that's something Cristiano doesn't do.

Paul: You are right, but Cristiano has more records, and he has scored more goals than Messi in his entire football career so you can't say he is better than Cristiano.

Steve: It seems to me that Messi is younger than Cristiano Ronaldo also his national soccer team is really bad and for that reason, he hasn't got more awards and recognitions.

Paul: I really think you're wrong, from my point of view Cristiano Ronaldo is better than Messi for many things but I'm going to respect your opinion.

Steve: That's good, they're definitely both great players and we don't have to compare them.

Paul: Yes, you are completely right!

1._____ he is the best football player in the world.

2._____ Real Madrid may have won...

3. _____ both great players

4._____ Messi is younger than Cristiano Ronaldo

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5. _____ you're wrong, 6. _____ Cristiano Ronaldo is better than Messi.

7. _____ Cristiano Ronaldo has scored goals…

8. _____, but Cristiano has more records…

Writing Activity

Write the expressions according to the categories given in the following table.

EXPRESSIONS

So do I, I really think, In my view, In my honest opinion, I agree, I believe, I strongly believe, From my perspective, Me too, It seems to me that, I think, In my opinion, From my point of view, I feel, Definitely, I truly feel

Common phrases	Add strength	Formal phrases	Agreeing & disagreeing

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Production and evaluation

Speaking activity

In this phase, you are going to practice your speaking skills.

Watch the video in detail to get some idea of the vocabulary and expressions given there, you can repeat it as many times as necessary. Then form a group of 5 people to carry out the same dialogue from the video and present it to the whole class. If you want you can change some expressions or vocabulary, the main idea is that you achieve the appropriation of the theme and practice your Speaking in an imaginary context.

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