



### Conversation 1

**Student:** Ms. Wilson, how can I get a good grade on this paper?  
**Teacher:** First, you need to write a good outline.  
**Student:** OK, I think I can do that.  
**Teacher:** By \_\_\_\_\_ that, you will give the paper structure.  
**Student:** OK, what else?  
**Teacher:** You should support your ideas by \_\_\_\_\_ supporting data.  
**Student:** How do I do that?  
**Teacher:** You can do that by \_\_\_\_\_ for related articles online.  
**Student:** OK, that should be easy enough.  
**Teacher:** Also, read the rubric. By \_\_\_\_\_ yourself with the details, you will know what to do.  
**Student:** OK, thanks for your help.

### Conversation 2

**Man:** Hey, what are you reading?  
**Woman:** I'm reading how cows contribute to climate change.  
**Man:** Cows! How do they do that?  
**Woman:** By \_\_\_\_\_ methane gas into the environment.  
**Man:** But, they're cows! I don't see how they can do that.  
**Woman:** They release gas by burping. It says cows burp a lot.  
**Man:** By burping? How strange.  
**Woman:** It also says that farmers cause damage by \_\_\_\_\_ down trees to make farmland.  
**Man:** Yeah, I've heard about that. Cutting down trees does damage by reducing how much trees can absorb CO<sub>2</sub>.  
**Woman:** Yes, and deforestation is also a problem by \_\_\_\_\_ soil erosion.  
**Man:** So, what can we do about it?  
**Woman:** I suppose that we could help by eating less beef.  
**Man:** Yeah, or we could help by \_\_\_\_\_ meat from local organic farms.  
**Woman:** Sounds good. Time to put our best foot forward.  
**Man:** Yes, and to put our money where our mouth is, literally.

### Conversation 3

**Man:** So, what are you doing?  
**Woman:** I'm studying Japanese by \_\_\_\_\_ videos on Netflix.  
**Man:** That's interesting, but it must be difficult.  
**Woman:** It is, but I can follow along by \_\_\_\_\_ the captions.  
**Man:** Oh, do you mean the English subtitles?  
**Woman:** No, the captions. I hear it and read the Japanese text simultaneously. By doing so, I can catch a lot.  
**Man:** That sounds like a good strategy. I should try that to learn French.  
**Woman:** Oh, are you learning French?  
**Man:** Yes, but just by \_\_\_\_\_ some vocabulary apps on my phone.  
**Woman:** Well, you might learn more by checking out some video online. There's lots on YouTube.  
**Man:** Or by using your Netflix account.  
**Woman:** Not a chance. Nice try though.  
**Man:** Well, no one ever got anything by \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Woman:** True. I'll give you that.

### Conversation 4

**Woman:** How do you like your food?  
**Man:** It's good, but I'm not used to eating vegetarian food.  
**Woman:** You should become vegetarian. There are many health benefits by \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Man:** Yes, that's true, but I love eating meat. It tastes so good.  
**Woman:** I understand, but by \_\_\_\_\_ your diet, you can explore lots of new dishes.  
**Man:** Yeah, I know, but I work out a lot, and I am afraid that by giving up meat, I'll lose lots of key nutrients.  
**Woman:** I assume you are referring to protein. Well, just by \_\_\_\_\_ beans and nuts you can get all the protein you need.  
**Man:** Perhaps, but I also worry about missing out at social gatherings, like barbecues, picnics and parties.  
**Woman:** Yes, I see your point, but by \_\_\_\_\_ a vegetarian, you open yourself to new social situations.  
**Man:** Yeah, I guess you're right. I will give it some thought.  
**Woman:** Take your time. Rome wasn't built in a day, as they say.

## Quiz

1) The student can write a good paper \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) by using spell check
- b) by doing research
- c) by reading the rubric

2) Cows hurt the environment \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) by burping
- b) by releasing methane
- c) by eating trees

3) How is she learning a language?

- a) By using vocab apps
- b) By watching movies
- c) By reading captions

4) She says he can benefit from vegetarianism by

\_\_\_\_\_

- a) cooking at home
- b) opening himself up to new ideas
- c) eating protein rich foods

## Speaking Challenge

Match the answers with the questions.

- 1) How did you lose all that weight?
- 2) How did you get an extension on your deadline?
- 3) What can I do to help?
- 4) Is there an easy way to improve my speaking?
- 5) Why do you ride a bike to work?

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- { } I got an extension by asking the professor nicely.
- { } I lost 10 kilos by eating only vegetables and protein.
- { } By doing that, I get some exercise and fresh air.
- { } You can help by setting the table for dinner.
- { } The best way to is by talking as much as you can.

**What about you?** Share your answers to the questions.