



LET'S AGREE TO DISAGREE

1. Pick up the phrase and put it to the appropriate section.

<i>Yes, but...</i>	<i>Tell me about it!</i>	<i>That might be true, but ...</i>	<i>Don't get me wrong, but...</i>
<i>I totally disagree</i>	<i>I'd go along with that</i>	<i>I suppose so</i>	<i>I couldn't agree with you more</i>
<i>I'm afraid, I don't really agree</i>	<i>I'm not sure about that</i>	<i>I totally agree with you</i>	
<i>Yes, you're right</i>	<i>You must be joking!</i>	<i>No way!</i>	<i>Exactly!</i>
<i>I absolutely disagree</i>	<i>That's true</i>		

STRONG AGREEMENT	Absolutely
AGREEMENT	I agree
PARTIAL AGREEMENT	I agree with you up to a point, but ...
DISAGREEMENT	
STRONG DISAGREEMENT	

2. Agree or disagree to the following opinions using expressions from the exercise 1:

1. Outsourcing is a good thing for companies and economies.
2. Smoking should be banned everywhere.
3. The best way to learn a language is to live in the country where it is spoken.
4. If you want to get a good job, experience and qualifications are very important.
5. You can never trust salesmen.
6. It is easier to speak English on the phone than face-to-face.
7. People who drink and drive should receive lighter punishments.
8. Spam is irritating.
9. If you want to be a successful businessman, you need to be born with certain character traits.
10. You should never mix business with pleasure.
11. A successful project requires only a good team
12. Cats are better than dogs because they have 9 lives.
13. It's better to have full breakfast than full dinner.
14. People should have a 4-day work week.
15. Lawyers have the highest salary in the country.
16. It's beneficial to shop online rather than in a retail store.

3. Choose the phrase from the left column to fill out the gaps to the right.

I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE	1. A. 'It's the best movie I've ever seen.' B. '_____. That's nonsense!
NO WAY!	2. _____ living in the town is better than in the country, because there's much more to do there.
I SUPPOSE SO	3. Therefore, _____ with those who claim that these principles are outdated and that we do not need them in the new century.
YOU MUST BE JOKING!	4. A. "I really don't like shopping around the holidays." B. "_____. It's always so busy!"
I TOTALLY DISAGREE	5. "Can I go with you guys?" "_____ – this is just for big kids, buddy!"
YOU'RE RIGHT TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, BUT	6. They say that Russian is a difficult language to learn at first, but it gets easier, _____. It took me 6 months before I could manage a sentence!

4. Choose whether the phrases below are formal, informal or neutral.

Exactly! I couldn't agree with you more I totally agree with you That's true
I absolutely disagree I totally disagree No way! You must be joking!
I'd go along with that I suppose so Yes, you're right
I'm afraid, I don't really agree Yes, but... That might be true, but ... I'm not sure about that.
You're right to a certain extent, but ...

 Formal	 Informal	 Neutral
I agree with you up to a point, but ...		Absolutely! I agree

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5. Choose a topic from the list below or create your own topic. Have a discussion and respond to opinions using expressions from this lesson.

1. The efficiency of the public transport system in your town.
2. The most effective way to attract new customers.
3. The best ways for people and governments to deal with the financial crisis.
4. The advantages/disadvantages of using mobile phones on planes.
5. The advantages/disadvantages of budget airlines.
6. The importance of doing business in English.
7. _____.