

Speaking B2



PART 2: Comparing two pictures (1MIN)

Useful expressions:

To start:

Both of these pictures show...

These two pictures show...

The two situations in these pictures are...

To talk about similar aspects:

These two pictures/situations are similar because/in that...

In both pictures we can see...

One similarity between these two pictures/situations is that...

Another similarity might be that...

One thing that these two pictures/situations have in common is that...

One thing that these two pictures share is that...

The most obvious similarity is that...

These two pictures share the fact that...

Both pictures (...) in the same way.

To talk about the differences:

One of the most obvious differences (between these two pictures) is that...

Another difference is that...

Something that makes these two pictures different is...

What makes these two situations (so/completely) different is...

While the first picture ..., the second one...

The first picture.... However, the second one...

The first picture... whereas the second one...

Although the first picture..., the second one...

On the one hand, the first picture shows... . On the other hand, the second one...

To ANSWER the question:

In relation to the question,...

In response to the question, I'd say that...

As regards the question,...

Regarding the question of the task,

With regard to + paraphrased question

How important is it to help people in these situations?



Part 3: Conversation (2MIN+1MIN)

To start the discussion:

*Shall I start? / Yeah, go on.
Shall I go first? / Of course, go ahead.
Is it okay if I start? / Sure, no problem.
Would you like to go first? / Yes, why not?*

To tell your opinion:

*I believe/think that...
In my opinion,...
The way I see it,...
If you ask me,...
I would say that...
It seems to me that...
In my view...
As far as I'm concerned,...*

To ask your partner:

*don't you think/agree?
wouldn't you say so?
wouldn't you agree?
right?
Do you think...?
Do you believe that...?
What do you think about...?
How about...?
What about...?
What's your take on...?*

To agree:

*I (totally) agree with you.
You're dead right.
That's (absolutely) true.
You're (absolutely) right.
That's a great idea.
I couldn't agree more.
Yes, I see what you mean.
I see it that way, too.
Yes, of course.
I think so, too.*

To disagree:

*I'm afraid I don't see it the same way.
I'm sorry but I have to disagree.
You may be right, but I have a different view.
That might be true, but I'm not sure I agree with you.
I'm sorry, but I don't agree.*

To change the subject:

*In relation to + one of the options
As regards + one of the options
Regarding the question of the task,
With regard to + paraphrased question*

To conclude:

*I believe we have an agreement, don't we?
So, do we have an agreement?
Shall we stick to...?
Shall we agree on..?*

