

## SPEAKING FOCUS

# Verbs

to respond, responded

to organize, organized

to award, awarded

## Vocabulary

argument	self-serving
pertinent	refugees
progress	denial
affordable	privilege
well-being	corruption
persistently	purpose
renovation	



## Expressions

civil society	seeing that
civic education	to turn a blind eye to
common good	



## Grammar

**My brother's listening** to loud music really bugs me.

Why does **his arguing** disturb you?

**Patient's relatives walking** in the building is only permitted during visiting hours.

**His making** a disapproving face made me very disappointed.

**Their talking** about everything made their relationship stronger and stronger.

Nobody appreciated **his giving** those useless ideas.

Who would not support **their helping** those in need?

**Her playing** tennis so well is admired by everyone.

**Kids climbing** the ladders is not allowed.



Secrets of success

True leaders see others as equals, not as subordinates.

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## Input

She responded to the treatment quite well.



Why isn't the engine **responding**?

He has been **awarded** a Nobel Peace Prize.

Was she **awarded** with an MBA scholarship?

They should have **organized** it ahead of time.

Our staff would have **organized** it better.

There weren't any good **arguments** against it.

What's the **purpose** of fighting against it?

This campaign is not **affordable**.

The house needs **renovation**.

When will we have the **privilege** of meeting them?

All files are stored in a **database** daily.

He isn't making enough **progress**.

I'm happy for you **getting** a job.

I admire his **speaking** in public.

Her **staying** away made me worried.

Her **saving** made her a rich woman.

His **pursuing** his objectives made him successful.



Express Yourself

It sounds great!

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# Activities

### A. Answer the questions.

1. How does civil society contribute to the common good?
2. What are some challenges that refugees face when settling in a new country?
3. Why is civic education important for young people?
4. Can you explain the impact of corruption on public trust?
5. How do you think self-serving behavior affects teamwork?

### B. Translate the sentences into Portuguese.

1. The organization was awarded a grant to help the refugees.
2. Civic education promotes active participation in civil society.
3. Turning a blind eye to corruption is not an acceptable solution.
4. Her singing beautifully impressed everyone at the concert.
5. They organized a fundraiser to support the local community.

### C. Translate the sentences into English.

1. A educação cívica é essencial para a construção de uma sociedade justa.
2. Ele estava muito decepcionado com a negação do problema.
3. O grupo de voluntários está ajudando os necessitados.

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4. A renovação do edifício foi concluída antes do prazo.
5. A sua persistência na defesa dos direitos humanos é admirável.

### Text

In recent years, civil society has played a crucial role in addressing social issues. Organizations focused on the common good have worked tirelessly to support refugees and ensure their integration into new communities. Civic education programs are essential in raising awareness about these issues, encouraging young people to engage and advocate for their rights. However, challenges remain, including corruption and self-serving behaviors that undermine these efforts. It's important for citizens to recognize these challenges and actively participate in their communities. By doing so, they can help foster a more inclusive and supportive society for everyone. Ultimately, the progress we make depends on our willingness to stand against injustice and support those in need.

### D. Choose the correct alternative.

1. What role does civil society play in addressing social issues?

- A) It focuses solely on economic growth.
- B) It supports refugees and promotes social justice.
- C) It has no significant impact.
- D) It operates independently from community needs.

2. Why are civic education programs important?

- A) They encourage students to focus only on their careers.
- B) They raise awareness and encourage engagement in social issues.
- C) They promote self-serving behavior.
- D) They have no relevance in today's society.

3. What challenges does civil society face according to the text?

- A) Lack of funding and resources.
- B) Corruption and self-serving behaviors.
- C) Excessive support from the government.
- D) Uninformed citizens.

4. How can citizens contribute to fostering an inclusive society?

- A) By ignoring community issues.

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- B) By recognizing challenges and participating actively.
- C) By relying solely on government solutions.
- D) By avoiding involvement in social issues.

5. What is the main message of the text?

- A) Progress requires constant governmental intervention.
- B) Everyone must stand against injustice and support those in need.
- C) Civil society is ineffective in addressing social issues.
- D) Awareness of issues is not necessary for progress

**E. Listening.**

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