

FUNCTION

OPINIONS

1 A Cross out the unnecessary words in the underlined phrases.

A: Do you think students should be allowed to use their phones in class?

B: Yeah, ¹I'm not in favour of that. The way I see it is that students would be more motivated if they could use phones, maybe to make short movies or things like that.

A: Mm, ²I'm not being so sure, you know how kids are. ³It seems that to me that they'd just start texting each other whenever they were bored.

B: Mm, well, ⁴I'm agree to a certain extent. They would certainly need very strict rules, you know, about turning them on and off. But phones could be useful for things like practising languages or setting homework reminders.

A: Yes, ⁵I can suppose so, but what about bullying, you know, kids sending each other nasty messages? Or phones could be a target for thieves.

B: ⁶Is fair enough, but either of those things could happen after school.

A: Hmm. ⁷I see your point is, but ⁸I'm still not so convinced. I think on balance it's better to keep them out of classes.

B: ⁹I don't disagree. I think we should encourage them.

B ▶ 2.5 Listen or read the audio script on page 75 to check.

C ▶ 2.6 Listen to the opinion phrases and repeat what you hear.



VOCABULARY

OPINION ADJECTIVES

3 A Put the letters in bold in the correct order to make adjectives. The first letter is underlined.

A: What are the drink drive laws in your country?

B: Zero tolerance. It's ¹g**lelial** to drive if you've drunk any alcohol at all.

A: That seems like a ²r**asnoaeble** law to me.

A: Models shouldn't wear fur. It's ³c**hutainel** to kill animals just for fashion.

B: I'd go along with you there, but what about in really cold places?

A: I think it's possible that one day everyone will have a microchip under their skin from birth.

B: Really? I find the whole idea deeply ⁴b**irdugsint**.

A: Jan's gone too far this time! His idea at the meeting was ⁵u**regasouto**!

B: I agree. I thought it was silly and ⁶i**repsrsbenilo**.

A: I entirely agree.

B ▶ 2.7 Listen and write the adjectives next to the correct stress patterns.

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C Listen again and repeat what you hear.

LEARN TO

SUPPORT YOUR VIEWPOINT

2 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Start with the words given.

1 The latest research has found that profiles on social networking sites are accurate descriptions of people's personalities.
According _____.

2 Kids still enjoy dolls, electric train sets and Lego.
Toys like _____.

3 Japan is one of many countries where fish is an important part of the diet.
In many countries, for instance _____.

4 People are said to be attracted to partners who look like them.
Apparently, people _____.

5 There is no evidence that coffee increases long-term memory.
As far as I know, _____.

6 Media studies, Sports studies and Dance are examples of 'soft' subjects and are no longer being offered in some colleges.
'Soft' subjects such _____.