

Asking and Giving Opinions

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Introduction

Definition Of Asking for And Giving Opinion To describes how we are to ask the opinions of others and how we provide opinions to others. That dialog include dialog of asking for and giving opinion. Because, the first man ask for opinion and second one give his opinion.

Tasks

What is Opinion? In general, an opinion is a subjective belief, and is the result of emotion or interpretation of facts. An opinion may be supported by an argument, although people may draw opposing opinions from the same set of facts. Opinions are never right or wrong, they are merely a figment of what someone believes. However it can be reasoned that one opinion is better supported by the facts than another by analysing the supporting arguments. In casual use, the term opinion may be the result of a person's perspective, understanding, particular feelings, beliefs, and desires.

Process

Expression of asking and giving opinion. 1. Giving Opinions: As far as I'm concerned In my opinion In my view From my point of view The way I see it is (that) To my mind Well, I reckon (that) I (strongly) believe (that) I (honestly) think (that) I (really) feel (that) Personally speaking, I believe As for me, I reckon 2. Asking Opinions: What do you think/reckon? do you see what I'm getting at? Do you know/see what I mean? Do you agree with me? Would you go along with that? Would you agree with me that? What are your thoughts on that? Don't you think (that)? Asking for and expressing opinions is something we frequently do in every day English. We will need to ask and give opinions in formal situations such as in business, in writing, both academic and informal texts, and in informal speaking.

Evaluation

Example: It seems to me that the government should reduce trade tariffs. (Formal) What do you reckon to these shoes? (Informal) Giving opinions can be weak or strong: Weak I think I don't think I'm fairly certain that I'm quite certain that I thought that Medium I believe I don't doubt that I feel certain that My impression is that As I see it... It seems to me that I think me that Strong I'm absolutely certain that I'm convinced that I strongly believe that Examples: I think it's a good movie that smoking is bad for you I'm convinced that it's the best decision we could make for the company Asking for an opinion: What do you think about this brand, Tom? What do you reckon to these shoes, Pam? Mum, how do you feel about buying me a new smart phone? What do you think about this? Do you have any strong feelings on this, John? Any comments, anybody? What are your views on nuclear power? Giving reasons: Sometimes when we give opinions we may want to give a reason. Firstly Secondly One reason is Another is To start with Added to that For one thing Example: It seems to me that weak gun laws lead to more crime. For one thing, it's too easy to get a weapon these days. Interrupting: Sometimes, if we are exchanging opinions with other people we may want to interrupt them politely. Excuse me. Can I just say? Could I come in here? Sorry to interrupt but Yes, but Stopping someone from interrupting you: If you'd let me finish Just a minute Hang on (informal) Try to use some of the language to ask for and give opinions. Choose any topic such as: energy conservation, obesity in the West, marriage, the price of branded sports shoes, the dangers of the internet for children, the best Star Wars film etc. Practise with a friend or write out some dialogues like this: A: What do you think about marriage? B: I don't think it's for everyone. To start with, the cost of a wedding these days is ridiculous! A: Well, I don't doubt that but I believe it's better for society and B: Sorry to interrupt but, as I see it, marriage only leads to divorce! A: Oh! A: Ok, so as you know we have a deadline to get this work finished. How do you feel about staying late tonight? A: Any comments, Peter, Anne? B: Well, it seems to me that we don't have a choice. C: I feel sure that if we get our heads down, we can finish by 6pm. Writing letters or send emails expressing our opinions about something:

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Conclusion

Now that you are familiar with the asking and giving opinion, you will have a better understanding of the meaning. Hope you enjoyed the materials

Teacher Page

I use this as an introduction to Asking and Giving Opinion. I hope it is helpful for you!

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