

RESULTS UPLIFTING PROGRAMME - 2021

St Mary's college - Kegalle

Grade 13

(19)

CONVERSATION

A: Hi Chen. How are you?

B: Fine. How are you doing Lisa?

A: Fine. I have been working a lot lately and need a break.

B: Yes, I have been working hard lately too.

A: Well, I was wondering if you would like to come to the beach with me this weekend.

B: Yes, that sounds great! Is it okay if my brother and sister come also?

A: Yeah, that's fine. I was going to ask them if they wanted to come anyway!

B: Oh, okay great. I think we should leave Friday after work. How does 5:00 sound to you?

A: Leaving at 5:00 sounds fine. We should be ready by then.

B: Okay, I will pick you up from your house at 5:00. I think we should take one car to save gas.

A: Yes, I think that is a good idea. I am excited to go to the beach this weekend!

B: So am I!

A: Okay, I will talk to you later.

B: Okay, bye.

A: Bye.

Other Ways to Say...

I like it



- I'm really into it!
- I'm keen on it.
- I'm fond of it.
- It appeals to me.
- I'm crazy about it
- I'm partial to it.

I don't like it



- That's not for me.
- I'm not into it.
- I pass.
- I'm not fond of it.
- I dislike it.
- I don't appreciate that.
- I've had enough.
- I'm not a big fan of it.

Hurry up



- Get a move on
- Get cracking
- Chop-chop
- Shake a leg
- Come on
- Move it
- Let's pick up the pace



I'm tired

- I'm whacked
- I'm dog tired
- I'm spent
- I'm bushed
- I'm exhausted
- I'm worn out
- I'm dead-tired
- I'm beat



- How are things coming along?
- How are you feeling?
- How long has it been?
- What's up?
- What's with the face?
- How are things?
- What are you heading?
- What's going on?
- What's new with you?
- What's up with the flow?
- How have you been?
- How's everything little thing in your life?
- Howdy!
- What is happening?
- What's shakin'?
- Anything interesting happening in your life lately?
- How do you do?

- What was the highlight of your day, so far?
- How are things going?
- How are you holding up?
- How do you fare?
- How's everything?
- What's good in the hood?
- How was your day?
- Is there anything concerning you?
- Sup?
- What's new?
- What's sizzling?
- Are you well?
- How is life sailing?
- How's it going?
- How's it rolling?
- Long time no see!

Other ways to say: I think

In my opinion..

I assume..

I believe..

I would say..

I consider that..

As far as I can tell..

To me..

To my mind..

To my way of thinking..

If you wonder my opinion..

If you ask me..

I feel..

It seems to me
that..

As I see..

I honestly believe
that..

To be honest..

It's my belief that..

Going to public places



How to go to the cinema

1. Let's go to the cinema.

What's on?

The Martian.

Who is in the film?

Matt Damon.

2. Can we have two tickets for the Martian, please?

That's 30 euros. Here you are.

Thank you.

3. Excuse me, you're in my seat.

Sorry?

2. My back kills me!

I'm sorry to hear this!

3. I've lost one of my gloves.

What a shame!

4. I spent half an hour looking for my car key! It was so frustrating!

I can imagine!

When I got to my car, I saw I had a flat tyre.

Oh, no!

frustrating — making you feel annoyed

a flat tyre — when there's little air in the tyre

How to ask to repeat and check understanding

1. Are you following me?

No, you've lost me. Could you explain that again, please?

2. Are you with me?

Sorry, what was that again?

3. Am I making sense?

Could you explain that another way/just one more time, please?

to make sense — to be easy to understand

How to finish a conversation and say good-bye

How to offer people help

1. My flight arrives at 7 am.

Would you like me to meet you at the airport?

2. My car is broken, so I came to work by underground today.

Do you want me to give you a lift home?

3. The suitcase is so heavy.

Let me carry it for you!

4. What do these statistics mean?

Let me explain.

to give a lift — to take someone somewhere in your car

How to ask for permission to do something

1. Can I switch the TV on?

Sure, go ahead.

(* positive answer)

2. Can I read this e-mail?

No, I'm afraid not.

(* negative answer)

3. Do you mind if I sit here?

No, of course not.

(* positive answer)

4. Do you mind if I borrow your car tomorrow?

Yes, I'm afraid I do.

How to book an excursion

1. I'd like to book a tour of Niagara Falls.

Yes, of course. We have daily tours available.

Fine. We'd like to book two adults and a child for tomorrow.

2. When does the tour start?

It starts at 8 am.

When does it finish?

At 4 pm.

3. Where does the tour leave from?

The bus will pick you up right outside the hotel.

a tour — an excursion

adults — grown up people who are not children any more

to pick up — to collect

How to call a taxi

1. I need a taxi to the Louvre.

Where from?

Rue Michel-Ange.

2. What time is it for?

As soon as possible, please.

3. How long will it be till it comes?

15 minutes.

How to ask for and give directions

A: "How are you doing?"

B: "I'm doing great."

A: "What movies have you seen lately?"

B: "I saw Forrest Gump the other day."

A: "What type of movie is that?"

B: "The movie type is drama."

A: "I can't believe you are watching movies. The weather is great. You should be outside."

B: "I hate the hot weather. I'd rather stay indoors with the air conditioner."

A: "What else do you like to do besides watching movies?"

B: "I like to play computer games, read books, go shopping, and play pool."

A: "Out of those what is your favorite?"

B: "My favorite is to play computer games."

A: "What is your favorite computer game?"

B: "My favorite is Diablo. It used to be Star Craft, but it is getting a little old."

A: "If you like to play so much, when do you ever exercise?"

B: "Although I hate to exercise, I go jogging at least twice a week."

A: "That's pretty good. By the way, what are you doing next Saturday?"

B: "I am going to go to the bookstore."

A: "I am having a party Saturday night at my house. If you have time, you should come."

B: "That sounds like fun."

A: "Great. I'll see you on Saturday."

B: "Ok. See you later."

Dialogues

- You are planning to visit the Colombo museum. You speak over the phone to an officer in the museum to request permission for your visit. Write out the telephone conversation that takes place between the officer and you as a dialogue form. Each one should speak at least five times.

Officer : Hello. Colombo Museum. Can I help you ?

I : Yes, please. I'm Kamalini Perera, speaking from Nelumgama. I'm a student of Nelumgama Maha Vidyalaya. Some of the students of our school are planning to visit the museum. So we want to get permission for that.

Officer : How many students will be coming ?

I : Two hundred students.

Officer : When are you coming ?

I : Well, we are coming on Wednesday, 20th October.

Officer : Fine. At what time do you hope to reach here ?

I : Well, at about 9.30 in the morning.

Officer : That's OK. But we must speak to your principal before we give you permission. Can you tell his phone number ?

I : Well, his mobile number is zero-seven-four-two-nine-two-six-eight.

Officer : Can you tell his name ?

I : He is Mr. Lakmal Subasinghe.

Officer : Right. Well speak to him and confirm our permission.

I : Thank you.

- Read the following situations. How would you respond in each situation ? Write one sentence/ question for each, beginning with the word/s given. (05 marks)

(1) You could not come to school last week. How do you request your friend to lend you his English workbook ?

"Could you please lend me your English workbook ?"

(2) You are the Managing Director of a Company. How do you warn an employee to be punctual ?

"You should be punctual to work."

(3) A friend invites you to a party on Sunday when you want to stay at home. How do you refuse this invitation politely ?

"I would love to come but my mother is sick."

- (4) You make a complaint at the police station about your lost dog. How does the police officer ask you the colour of the dog?
"Can you tell me its colour?"
- (5) Your friend has scored very low marks in all the subjects. How do you advise your friend?
"You'd better work hard."
- (6) You want to buy a pair of shoes. You are speaking to the salesman. Ask him the price.
"How much is this pair of shoes?"
- (7) You come home two hours later than usual. Your mother questions you. How would you reply with a reason?
"I was late because there were no buses."
- (8) Your English teacher tells you the date and time (20th October, 11.30 am) of the next meeting of your English Association. You are asked to convey this message to the next class.
"The next meeting will be held on 20th October at 11.30 a.m."
- (9) You go for the interview for selection of school prefects. Your principal asks you whether you have done any sports. How would you reply?
"I am in the school cricket team."
- (10) As the Secretary of the Literary Association, you are delivering the vote of thanks at its meeting. Thank your class teacher, saying why you thank her.
"I wish to thank our class teacher for helping us to organize this meeting."

- Read the following telephone conversation in which a person asks for information about renting a house. Complete the missing parts of the conversation. Do not use more than one sentence / question in each blank. (05 marks)

Landlord : "Hello!"

Caller : "Hello. I'm calling about the house for rent."

Landlord : "Yes, how can I help you?"

Caller : (1) I want to know how many bedrooms there are?

Landlord : "There are three bedrooms."

Caller : (2) What is the rental? / How much is the rent?

Landlord : "Eight thousand rupees a month."

Caller : (3) Can I keep boarders

Landlord : "No, I'm sorry. Boarders aren't allowed."

Caller : "That's Ok. (4) When can I come to see the house?"

Landlord : "Well, you can come on Monday."

Caller : "Thank you."

Landlord : (5) You're welcome / It's a pleasure.