

English: 2Bac (All Streams)

Unit 1 (Youth: Potential and Challenges)

Functions: Expressing opinions, agreeing and disagreeing

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I- Course

1-1/ Asking for opinion

- 1. What's your opinion about?
- 2. What's your point of view about?
- 3. What do you think of?
- 4. What's your attitude towards?
- 5. What's your say about?
- 6. How do you feel about?
- 7. Do you think / believe that?

1-2/ Giving opinion

- 1. In my opinion, ...
- 2. In my point of view, ...
- 3. I think / guess / believe that...
- 4. For me / To me, ...
- 5. As far as I m concerned, ...
- 6. As I see it, ...
- 7. It seems to me that ...
- 8. If you ask me, ...
- 9. To be honest, \dots
- 10. Personally speaking, ...
- 11. To my mind, \dots

1-3/ Agreeing

- 1. I agree.
- 2. I share the same view.
- 3. I think so / 1 believe so.
- 4. That's exactly how I see it.
- 5. That's exactly what I was thinking myself.
- 6. I couldn't agree more.
- 7. That's right / You're right.
- 8. I'm for it.
- 9. Yes, of course.

1-4	/ Disa	greeing
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- 1. I disagree.
- 2. I don't agree.
- 3. I don't share the same view.
- 4. Sorry to say it, but you're wrong.
- 5. I'm not sure I agree with you.
- 6. I'm against it.
- 7. I don't think so.
- 8. I see what you mean, but...
- 9. That's true, but...

II- Practice 1

Match the sentences with their functions :

- A) Asking for opinion
- B) Expressing opinion
- C) Agreeing
- D) Disagreeing

sentences		functions			
	A	В	C	D	
As far as I'm concerned, some youths are careless about their education.					
Sorry to say it, but you're wrong. Our parents are more experienced.					
What do you think about the relationship between parents and their children ?					
It seems to me that parents give children too much freedom which is too bad.					
That's exactly how I see it. Teenagers are usually stubborn.					
I'm not sure I agree with you. Living with the elderly is really hard.					
What's your opinion about generation gap ?					
To my mind, children need more support and guidance from their parents.					
I couldn't agree more. We have to help them build their personalities.					
I disagree with you. Children should learn how to depend on themselves.					

III- Practice 2

Express	the	same	idea	in	a	different	way	:

If you ask me, teenagers should be more careful with the excessive use of the mobile.
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I certainly agree with that.
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IV- Practice 3

Complete the following conversations :

C: _____ (disagree and give a

reason)

A:	(ask for opinion)
B: For me. dropping out of school is a serious problem that affects youths negatively.	
C:	(express agreement)
A: Youths waste too much time chatting.	
B:	(express
disagreement)	
A: What's your point of view about youths and voluntary work?	
B:	(express your opinion)