

# REMOTE TASKS - SPEAKING TOPIC PREPARATION ELEMENTARY

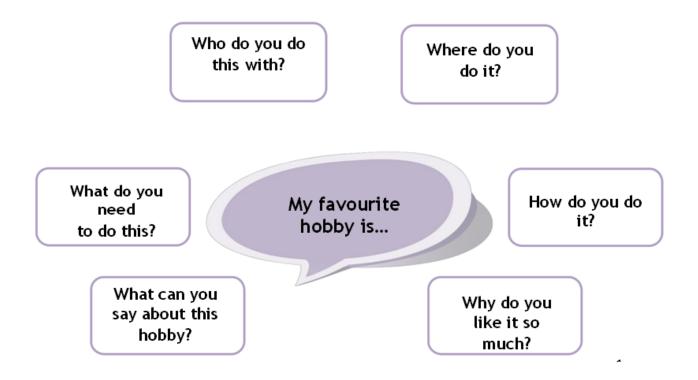
### Tasks for remote learning - Grades 4-6

## Grade 4

- In *Grade 4 Remote Tasks* you learnt vocabulary related to hobbies, sports, free time activities and holidays. These will be the topics you will practise talking about.
- Let's start by talking about a hobby you have.

#### **TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 1: MY FAVOURITE HOBBY**

• Think of something you really like doing in your free time. It must be something you really enjoy doing and have things tos ay about. You will need to investigate a little. Complete the following graphic organizers. Use only words or phrases.



• Look at the following example and then complete your own topic form:

My favourite hobby is playing the piano.

To play the piano you need a piano and music sheets. You can also use an organ in the piano mode.

I usually play the piano alone when I am at home. If I play at school, I sometimes play together with other friends or with my music teacher.

I sometimes play the piano at home. I have a piano in my living-room. Other times, I play the piano at school in my music class.

Playing the piano is difficult but you can learn with a good teacher. It is more interesting than playing the guitar, for me. I love music! I sometimes use my ipad top lay the piano. I use an app called Music Band.

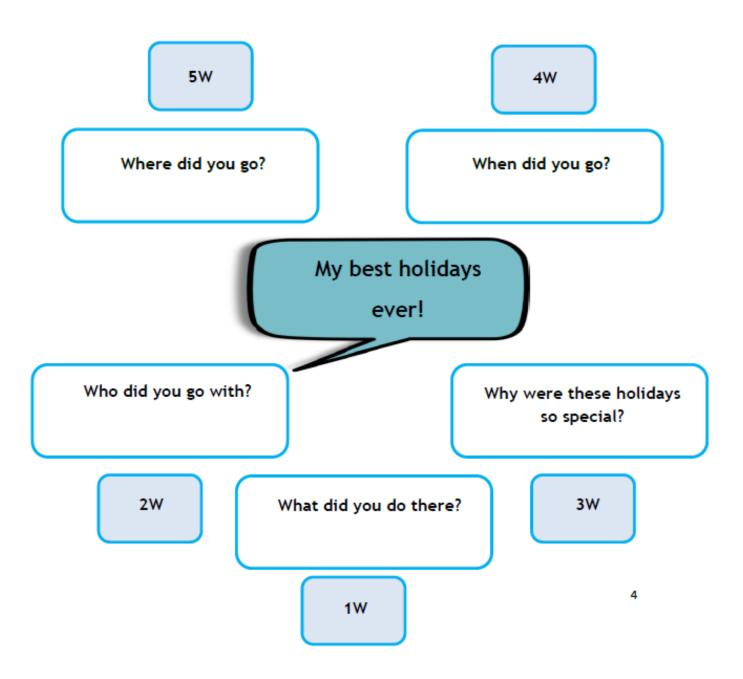
Top lay the piano you need to learn to read music. You also need to learn the note values on th keyboard. You need to learn to use your fingers too! • Now, use the graphic organizer on the first page and the model above and plan your own topic on your favourite hobby.

#### **TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 2: MY FAVOURITE SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

- We all remember our favourite holidays. Now you will have to practise getting ready to talk about those holidays you will never forget because you had such a good time.
- If possible find a photograph of those holidays and scan it or stick it. You can also draw in the space provided:



- Using the photograph or drawing, answer the following questions:
  - a) Where was this photograph taken?
  - b) Who is on the photograph?
  - c) What are they doing?
  - d) Describe the place.
  - e) Why did you choose this photograph? Why did you draw this?
- To talk about your best holidays ever, we will use a planner called **"The five Ws".** Pay attention:



### TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 3: IMAGINE YOU CAN GO ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD NEXT SUMMER. WHAT PLANS HAVE YOU GOT?

• You will now imagine that you have been given a plane ticket to go anywhere you want next summer:

Air Ticket			Air Ticket
DATE:	DESTINATION	=	
PASSENGER NAME:			
	PASSPORT NUMBER:		
BOARDING PASS			

• You have to use the same graphic organizer (The five Ws) to plan your holidays anywhere you want, doing anything you want and with anyone you want!

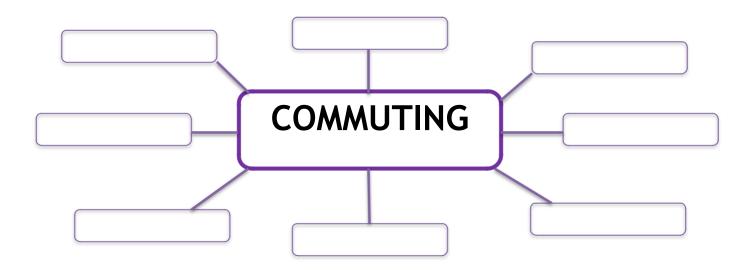
Where are you going to go?	. When are you going to go?	Who are you going to travel with?		
MY PLANS FOR NEXT SUMMER				
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What are you going to do there		u choose this nation?		



• In *Grade 5 Remote Tasks* you worked on are means of transport, festivals, celebrations and special occasions. The following topic preparation tasks will be based on these subject areas.

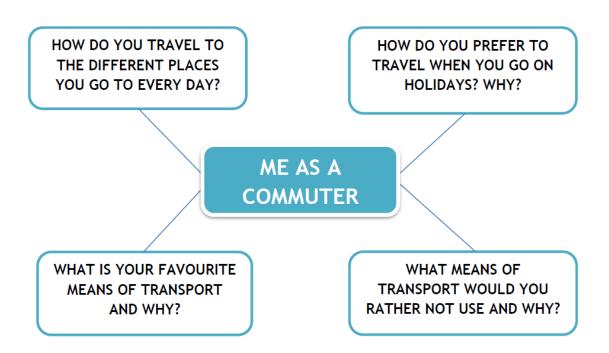
#### **TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 1: ME AS A COMMUTER**

• Write the following word on your internet browser and find images related to it. Carefully look at a minimum of ten images related to the word *commuting* and write words in the following spidergram that come to your mind as you observe the images.



- Now answer the following questions :
  - a) How do you go to school every day?
  - b) How do your parents / siblings go to work / school/ university every day?
  - c) Do you ever take public transport? Which one?
  - d) What means of transport do you prefer and why?
  - e) What means of transport do you dislike and why?

• For this first topic preparation task you will think about yourself as a commuter. Pay attention to the following graphic organizer, answer the questions and read the chart below reminding you of which structures to use. Also remember to use the vocabulary related to *transport*.



### TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 2: A TYPICAL CELEBRATION IN MY COUNTRY

• For this new task, you will have to talk about a typical celebration in your country. Pay attention to the following graphic organizer and the questions that will guide you prepare your topic.

Remember you might be sharing this information with somebody who has never heard about it, so provide as much information as you can.

- You may have to investigate but you are not supposed to recite information.
- a) Make a list of typical celebrations / festivals in your country / hometown.
- b) Find some information about it and take a few notes.
- c) Use the graphic organizer to get your ideas together.

When is it celebrated?

Common foods people eat: names, ingredients, how these foods are made.

A TYPICAL CELEBRATION/ FESTIVAL IN MY COUNTRY

What do people celebrate?

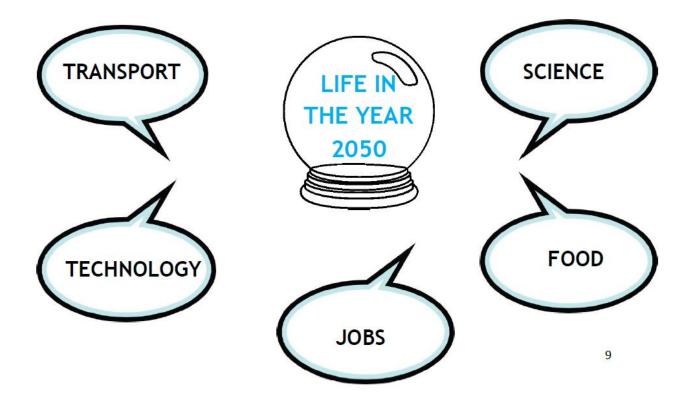
What do people do during this celebration/ festival?

- Now practise asking questions. Read the following answers given by a student about a typical celebration in his country. Ask the question for each answer.
- a- We celebrate it at the beginning of spring.
- b- The name of the festival is Holi.
- c- People throw colour powder to each other, they dance and have fun.
- d- Nothing in particular.
- e- We celebrate the victory of good over evil.
- f- I like it because people are happy and they dance all day long.

#### **TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 3: LIFE IN 2050**

• For this topic preparation task you will have to make some predictions about life in the future, in the year 2050.

*For example:* In the year 2050 cars will fly and there won't be any traffic jams!



## Grade 6

• In this set of tasks, we will practise topic preparation. We are going to start with one of the subject areas we worked on in Grade 6 Remote tasks: Staying fit and healthy.

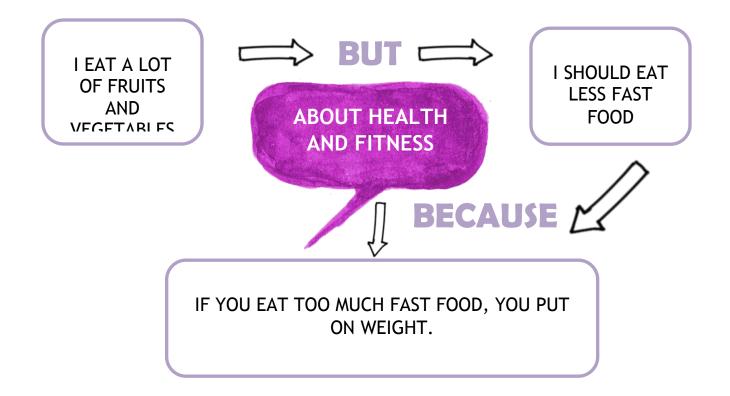
# TOPIC PREPARATION TASK 1: MY HEALTH AND FITNESS THUMBS UP AND DOWN

• You will be now discussing your healthy habits and those habits that you probably need to improve.

#### For example:

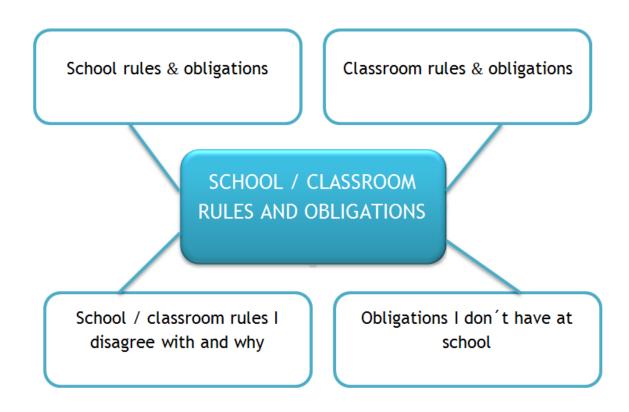
I eat a lot of fruits and vegetables but I should eat less fast food because if you eat too much fast food you can put on weight.

• Use the following planner for this task:



# TOPIC PREPARATION 2: CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL RULES AND OBLIGATIONS

- At school and in the classroom there are rules and obligations you have as a student. For this topic preparation task you will have to talk about them and say which ones you don't agree with and why.
- Pay attention to the following organizer and read the guiding questions which will help you prepare your topic:



#### **TOPIC PREPARATION 3: FASHION**

- In Grade 6 Remote tasks you learnt vocabulary related to the world of fashion. This will be the subject area for this new practice topic preparation task.
- You will now read some questions related to fashion. Choose four of these questions to discuss in your topic: "About fashion and me". Remember to use the vocabulary learnt related to the world of fashion.

#### **Guiding questions:**

- a) How important is fashion for you?
- b) What clothes do you feel more comfortable with? Why?
- c) What clothes do you feel less comfortable with? Why?
- d) Is there any famous person you like for the way they dress? Who and why?
- e) Do you like shopping for clothes? Why/ why not?
- f) Has your fashion style changed now that you are older? How?
- g) How has fashion changed over the years?
- h) Do you like wearing accessories? Which ones?
- i) Do you spend a lot of money on clothes? If so, what do you spend more money on?

