



3 Minute Discussions

Level: Teens and adults Lower Intermediate + (B1 +)

Time: 10 - 20 minutes

Learning Objective: Practice speaking, asking and sharing opinion of different topics.

Materials: A copy of the printable cards below, a timer

Method

1. First, print and cut out the sets of cards below. You will need one copy per group of students.
2. Before starting it can be useful to go over some phrases and expressions that students might find useful to agree, disagree. See below for some useful phrases and expressions.
3. Put students into pairs (larger groups are possible but allow additional time). The topic cards should be put face down on the table.
4. One student is the leader. They must select one of the topic cards and state their opinion. Then they should ask the other student their opinion and then maintain the conversation.
5. After the 3 minutes is up, the leader select another topic and should talk about that topic for a further 3 minutes.



Phrases and Expressions

Stating an opinion

I think / believe / feel that ...

My opinion/ argument/ position/ stand/ viewpoint is ...

As far as I'm concerned ...

The way I look at it / see it ...

If you ask me, ...

In my opinion, ...

They should / shouldn't ...

Asking for an opinion

What do you think about ...?

What's your opinion?

How do you feel about ... ?

What are your thoughts on ...?

Where do you stand on ...?

Asking for agreement or disagreement

Do you agree / disagree with that?

Are you against or for ...?

What do you say to that?

Do you see it my way? Are you with me on this?

Agreeing with an opinion.

I agree with you

I couldn't agree with you more.

You're right / absolutely right .

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