

Surveys

Pre-task:



Image 1

Have a look at the following questions to talk about social networks:

- What social networking sites do you use?
- How often do you use social networking?
- What are some good points about social networking?
- What are some bad points about social networking?
- Do you have a webpage? A blog?
- What kind of information are you comfortable releasing to the public?
- What type of information should you put on social networking sites?

Task 1:

Talk to your partner using the questions mentioned in the pre-task.

Some helpful vocabulary and phrases to talk about social networks:

General terms:

Chat/ chat room

Emoticon

Messaging/instant messaging/IM

URL

To go viral

Wiki

Clickbait

Troll

Flash mob

Geotagging

Social bookmarking

AMA

Blog related:

Blog
 Blogosphere
 Comments
 To subscribe
 Vlogger

Facebook related:

Meme
 'like'
 News feed
 Tag

Twitter related:

Hashtag
 Trending

Some useful phrases when you have a conversation:

Expressing an opinion:

If you ask me .../ As for me ...
 The way I see it ...
 Personally, I think ...
 I suppose/ I 'd say that ...
 If you want my opinion ...

Conceding an argument:

Perhaps you're right.
 OK, you win.
 You've convinced me.

Checking for understanding:

See what I mean?
 What are you saying?
 You mean ...?
 What do you mean?
 What I'm trying to say
 Are you saying that ...?
 Sorry, I didn't catch that ...

Showing interest in a conversation:

That's interesting/ nice / amazing/ incredible ...
 Really interesting. I especially liked your comment about ...
 It's true, I hadn't realized ...
 I'd never thought of that!
 It's an interesting point.
 Oh, I see.
 Right.
 No way!
 You're joking!
 Really?

Task 2:

Watch [this video](#). Then, use the words and phrases in the box below to talk about the data and information from the surveys presented in the video:

Words and phrases for talking about surveys:

To state the purpose and content of the survey:

The aim/goal/purpose of this survey is to ... present/examine/evaluate/assess/discuss/outline the results of the survey ...

The report contains information gathered/collected/compiled from ... people/respondents were asked about ...

The data/information analyzed in this video was collected/obtained/compiled

To present data/facts:

The majority/minority of respondents/those who responded/those who were surveyed/those interviewed stated/replied/reported/maintained/indicated that ...

Of the (how many) ... people/respondents/those who were surveyed, (how many) ... claimed that per cent of those surveyed were of the opinion that ...

A small/large number of respondents expressed ...

To analyze data/facts:

... is/are generally viewed as/considered ...

The facts suggest/imply/indicate/document that ...

There seems to be a tendency to ...

The general view/opinion may be caused/influenced by ...

Unlike..., ... /Similarly, .../As a consequence, ...

There's been a slight/significant/noticeable change in ...

The views/opinions/viewpoints about ... seem to/appear to remain unchanged

To summarize and present conclusions:

To sum up/To conclude/To put it briefly/In short, ...

On the basis of the survey results, it might be concluded that ...

It would be fair to conclude that ...

The conclusion that can be drawn from these facts is that ...

Follow-up activity:

Find other surveys and discuss them with your partner using the language from previous exercises.

Sources

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