

USEFUL EXPRESIONES FOR SPEAKING (FCE)

EXPRESIONES ÚTILES PARA HABLAR (B2)

Starting comparison

- In the first / second picture there's a...
- The first / second picture shows a...

Similarities

- Both pictures show...
- The second pictures also shows...
- Similarly, the second pictures shows...

Differences

- In the first picture, ...
whereas/while/but/however in the second picture...
- The main difference is that the one on the top seems to be...
- ...while the bottom one...
- but then again...

Speculating

- it could be...
- it can't be...
- it might be...
- it must be...
- the girl looks enthusiastic...
- he looks like a...
- it/they/he/she looks as if

Giving a personal opinion

- Personally...
- In my opinion...
- I think

To change the picture

- Let's move on to

To start the conversation

- Shall we start with this picture
- Let's talk about
- Do you mind if I start
- Shall I start

Giving an opinion

- I think
- I reckon
- I don't really think...
- Basically what you are saying is...
- I think we should...
- I find it really
- This picture reminds me of ... whereas the other one
- A strong point in favour of ... is that
- I am inclined to believe that
- I am convinced that
- To my way of thinking

Agreeing

- Yeah I see your point
- I totally agree
- I see what you mean
- No, I see what you mean
- I suppose you're right
- That's exactly my view
- That's just what I was thinking
- I couldn't agree more
- That's true
- That sounds like a good idea
- Absolutely!

Interruption

- Can I say something
- Can I interrupt

Asking an opinion

- What do you think of...
- what do you reckon of...
- how about...
- What about...
- would you agree with this...
- what do you think about...
- what's your opinion...
- What are your feelings about...
- What are your views on...
- Why don't we...?
- Perhaps we should
- Let's decide about..., shall we?
- What shall we do first?
- So, let's decide which one
- Perhaps we should put...first? What do you think?
- What do you think should go next?
- Are you happy with this order then?
- Do you go along with that?

Comparison

- The first picture shows something, whereas the second picture shows something else
- One advantage / disadvantage is
- There are many similarities...
- Both pictures are quite similar in that they show
- Another important difference is

Giving yourself time to think

- Let me see
- Can I think about that for a moment?
- How can I put this?

Saying something in another way

- What I mean is...
- To put it another way
- In other words
- What I'm trying to say is...

Disagreeing

- Yeah I know what you mean, but
- I'm afraid I don't agree with you
- I don't entirely agree
- I'm not sure about that
- I think we are not on the same wavelength on this point
- I understand your point of view, but
- I'm in two minds about it.
- That's true in a way, I suppose, but
- I don't feel convinced
- That's one way of looking at it. On the other hand
- I think we're not on the same page...
- We're not seeing eye to eye...

Asking to clarify

- I'm sorry?
- I'm afraid I didn't catch that
- Could you repeat that please
- Pardon?
- Would you mind repeating that?
- Can I ask a question?
- I didn't catch that!