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Teaching Speaking: Task 1

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Below you find 7 statements that are that are commonly associated with the question of what makes a classroom speaking activity successful. Mark each statement + if you agree with it, – if you don't agree, and ? if you are undecided. Try to add some comments as well, before reading the Notes section below. You can make good use here of your reflections about your own experience as a learner. For an online version of the same task, [click on the following link: https://redmenta.com/?solve&ks_id=2092626752](https://redmenta.com/?solve&ks_id=2092626752)

___ **1. A speaking activity is successful if the students talk a lot.**

Your comments:

___ **2. Speaking activities need careful and detailed preparation.**

Your comments:

___ **3. Ideally learners speak accurately.**

Your comments:

___ **4. Do not correct the learners during a speaking activity. It gets in the way of free expression and fluency.**

Your comments:

___ **5. Oral drilling of sentence patterns is an old-fashioned way of teaching grammar. It does not improve communicative skills.**

Your comments:

___ **6. Writing does not help to improve speaking abilities. These are two separate skills.**

Your comments:

 7. The best way to improve learners' speaking abilities is to give them as many different activities as possible. Aim for variety.

Your comments:

Now read the *Notes* section in the reading material.