Term 2 - WEEK 4 Contents-Intensive 1 Class

Today's Agenda

- 1. WARM-UP: Opinion Quiz
- 2. CHECK: Homework Assignment
- 3. LEARN: 10 REASON Phrases paper
- 4. Homework Assignment

Warm-up: OPINION Quiz

- Directions:
- 1. On a clean piece of paper, write down the <u>12</u> ways "How to Express or say your Opinion"
- 2. Time limit: 10 minutes
- 3. Good luck!

Answers:

- 12 Key Phrases to Express Your Opinion
- 1. From my point of view....
- 2. From my perspective....
- 3. The way I see it....
- 4. In my opinion.....
- 5. I tend to believe....
- 6. From my experience,
- 7. It seems to me that....
- 8. From what I've seen.....
- 9. From my standpoint,
- 10. From my view point....
- 11. My take is......
- 12. I think.....

CHECKED: HOMEWORK:

- 1. Think of your job, project, company, or any business topic.
- 2. Make 2 original business opinions using today's "12 KEY Opinion Phrases."
- Total: 24 original opinions
- 3. PRINTOUT your homework.
- 4. Bring your homework to class next week.
- 5. Before your come to the next class, practice saying your data many times until you feel confident.
- Good Luck!

LEARN: Adding REASONS to your opinion.

- ➤ In business, it is very important for you to be able to EXPRESS or say your REASON using Business English.
- ➤ However, it is also important to be able to EXPRESS or say your opinion and REASON in a clear, organized, and logical way.
- ➤ Today, you will learn <u>10</u> key phrases that NATIVE ENGLISH speakers like to give REASONS in business situations.

Today's Key Point: Expressing Your "REASON"

5 Key <u>REASON</u> Phrases:

- > 1. simply because...
- > 2. mainly because...
- > 3. basically because...
- > 4. primarily because...
- > 5. for the very fact that...

Practice Time: Key Phrases and examples:

- A: What's your take on D + M?
- B: From my point of view, D + M is a good company <u>simply because</u> we have many chances to do international business. That's my take.
- A: What are your views on D + M products?
- B: From my perspective, D + M products are good mainly because the products are exciting. That's my opinion.
- A: What do you think about your job?
- B. **The way I see it**, my job is very busy **basically because** I have many projects. That's my take.
- A: What are your views on DENON?
- B: It seems to me that DENON is a good company <u>primarily because</u> it has a very long history. That's my opinion.
- A: What do you think about our company logo?
- B: From what I've seen, our company logo is stylish for the very fact that our logo has a lot of vivid colors. That's my take.

5 MORE Key <u>REASON</u> Phrases:

- 6. The reason why is....
- 7. The main reason is...
- 8. This is because....
- 9. One reason is....
- 10.for the simple fact that....

Practice Time: Key Phrases and examples:

- 6. We need to improve our wireless system. <u>The reason why is</u> our wireless system has some bugs. That's my opinion.
- 7. We really need to decrease our production cost. <u>The main reason is</u> our company is losing money. That's my take.
- 8. It's very important that we increase our customers in Japan. **This is because** we need to sell more products in Japan. That's my opinion.
- 9. From my perspective, our new product will be popular. <u>One reason is our product has many good features</u>. That's my take.
- 10. The way I see it, studying English is important <u>for the simple fact that</u> our meetings are in English. That's my opinion.

Homework:

- 1. Think of your job, project, company, or any business topic.
- 2. Make <u>2</u> original business opinions using 12 KEY Opinion Phrases + your REASONS for each opinion."
- Total: <u>24</u> original opinions + your <u>24</u> REASONS
- 3. PRINTOUT your homework.
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End of Lesson	