

Public speaking- Lecture 6 (Pr. El Hadari)

Practical exercise: (Part 2)

Topic: Mothers (fathers ...) are blessings from Allah.

Heading 2:

Good teachers are set to be a brilliant light, illuminating our lives and revealing to students a rainbow of possibilities. For me, the best teacher is my mother. She has taught me the real meaning of being a good human being, the value of hard work, the power of patience at times of stress and unease (discomfort), the worth of speaking out my mind. I have learnt from her that the sense of human life are love, respect and honesty. Her noble actions towards me speak volumes of truth and sincerity. I have learnt from her how to show care, affection and tenderness. Like all mothers in the world, she is a great teacher whose impact is boundless.

Heading 3:

Our mothers are great because they have spent their lives building our identity. They contributed to the construction of the people we are today. Their positive impact on our lives is heavily felt in the way we behave towards ourselves and towards others. Thanks to their positive presence in our lives, we have always been in the context of being together. We never feel alone. The lessons they teach us help us strengthen our identity far away from their directive and instructive role. Their overall fills our life with illuminating lights that pour into our minds and hearts and help us discover the depth of our inner worlds and see the hidden parts of the iceberg.

The closing statement:

To my mom and all mothers of the world, I would like to say: thank you for everything you have done for us. Thank you for making me the person I am now. I am really indebted to you. You have been our teachers, our advisors, our great source of inspiration. You deserve the utmost respect. My final message to all youths: Take care of your mothers because they took care of you when you were a child. Honour them and your kids will do the same for you in the future.

What is debating?

Debating simply means the process of discussing a topic, giving strong arguments. In other words, it is a formal discussion between people with opposing views. It is an organised process of argumentation. It is something that people can learn by doing. It is the process of making points of arguments to convince the jury or to rebut (to refute) those of the opponents. In debating, there should be a winner and a loser. The person who takes the final decision on who wins or loses is called an adjudicator (The person who judges and arbitrates the debating competition).

Why is it important to learn how to debate?

- 1. Debaters can develop the skill of critical thinking. This means that thanks to debating, people can be critical thinkers who do not accept ideas and views blindly.*
- 2. They also develop the habits of expressing their thoughts and opinions.*
- 3. Debating teaches teamwork.*
- 4. It also teaches time management.*
- 5. People who practise debating become more persuasive.*
- 6. It helps people develop their self-confidence and self-esteem.*

What skills should debaters have?

- 1. The mastery of language, namely the ability to speak fluently;*
- 2. The skill of critical thinking;*
- 3. The skill of using reason and logic;*
- 4. The ability to listen attentively;*
- 5. The skill of interpreting messages;*
- 6. The capacity to assemble the parts into a whole;*
- 7. The power of arranging and structuring the parts into a logical whole;*

What should debaters do in order to win the competition?

- 1. Debaters should give strong arguments that can convince the jury that they are right and reasonable.*

2. *They should also prove that the opponents' arguments are wrong and unreasonable. In other words, good debaters should refute the others' points of view and arguments.*
3. *To do all this, debaters should make effective use of all the debating skills they have.*

What does the jury take into consideration in a debating competition?

1. ***The content (What):*** *What you say, the relevance of what you say, and to what extent what you say is logical and well-reasoned.*
2. ***The method (How):*** *It is about the debating techniques and how the speeches are structured.*
3. ***The style:*** *It is about the use of language, the use of voice and body language.*