

Speaking for Presentations

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One of My Favorite Things

Listen

A Listen, read, and circle.  Track 2

1.



- a. One of his favorite things is his grandma's **new** / **old** cookbook.
- b. He uses it every **Saturday** / **Sunday** with his **father** / **grandmother**.
- c. One of his favorite meals to cook is **pizza** / **spaghetti**.

2.



- a. One of her favorite things is her **skateboard** / **bicycle**.
- b. Her **brother** / **best friend** gave it to her, and she uses it to practice **games** / **tricks**.
- c. She also uses it to get to **places** / **her classes** on time.

B Talk to your classmates.



What's one of your favorite things to do on the weekend?

I like to go fishing with my cousin. What about you?

One of my favorite things is to go hiking with my friends.



✦ Ideas

- ✦ go shopping
- ✦ take a painting class
- ✦ go out to eat
- ✦ see a movie
- ✦ download new apps to my phone
- ✦ volunteer at the animal shelter

Language Practice

A Practice the language options. Say them aloud, and then practice with a partner.

My/This . . . is one of my favorite things. It is special to me because . . .



- watch
- it belonged to my great-grandfather



- baseball bat
- I hit eight homeruns with it last season



- movie
- it cheers me up when nothing else can



- passport
- I use it to travel and see the world



- photograph
- I miss my dog and this reminds me of her



- phone
- it helps me pass the time during my commute to school

B Discuss the questions with your classmates. Write down your ideas.

1. What are some of your favorite things a family member has given you?	2. What are some of your favorite things you have bought for yourself?
Favorite thing: Why:	Favorite thing: Why:
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Speaking Tip and Expressions

A Discuss the speaking tip.



Do your homework.

No one can give a good presentation without preparation. Many talented speakers look like they're just saying whatever comes to mind, but this is not true. Successful presenters spend a lot of time figuring out what they're going to say. You should, too.

1. How can you explain this tip in different words?
2. What can you actually do to practice this tip?

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B Read through the expressions. Then practice them with a partner.

1

This quilt has always been one of my favorite things.
My telescope is very special to me.
I think my favorite thing is a microphone.

2

My grandmother gave it to me when I was young.
It is special to me because it has been in my family for over fifty years.
I love to sing, and I always want to hold the microphone during karaoke.

3

Since then, I have always slept with it on my bed.
My father used it as a young boy, and now we use it together.
My microphone inspires me to become a singer one day.

4

My quilt reminds me of my grandmother because she made it for me.
My telescope allows me to study things in outer space, like stars and planets.
I use it to practice singing every day.

5

I want to pass it on to my child one day so that he or she will always remember me, too.
I hope that one day I can teach my kids to learn how to use my telescope.
I like that my favorite thing can help me to follow my dreams.

Interview

A Read through the interview. Then role-play with a partner.



- 1 What is one of your favorite things to listen to?
- 2 Why do you like listening to them?
- 3 How do you listen to them?
- 4 What time of day do you usually listen to them?
- 5 Do you have any other favorite things you listen to?

One of my favorite things to listen to is podcasts.

- I like listening to podcasts because they are interesting and informative.
- I listen to them on my phone through an app.
- I usually listen to them on my way to and from class.
- Yes, I also like listening to audiobooks.



B Interview three of your classmates. Use the questions from above.

Question	Sample Answers	Partner 1	Partner 2	Partner 3
1	hip hop music			
2	it's fun and upbeat			
3	on my phone with headphones			
4	any time of day			
5	pop music			

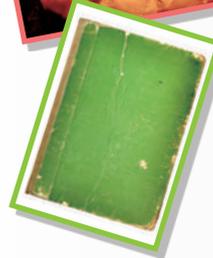
Presentation

A Watch the presentation. Listen for the key phrases.

Track 3



One of My Favorite Things



Key Phrases

- taught me a lot
- before I was born
- got the chance
- in common
- special to me
- pass it on

B Watch again and complete the script.

This 1 _____ has always been one of my favorite things. It was my mom's for many years, and she gave it to me on my seventeenth birthday.

You might be asking yourself, "Why is that old book so 2 _____?" Well, it has taught me a lot about my family. You see, my grandmother died before I was 3 _____. I never got the 4 _____ to meet her. However, I feel like I know her because of this diary. It was hers, and it is filled with stories from her life. About a year after my grandmother died, my 5 _____ found the diary and gave it to my mom.

My grandmother got this diary for her seventeenth birthday, and she wrote in it for about three years. It is interesting to see how our lives are so similar. For example, we have a love for dancing and hiking in 6 _____. I also like reading her words. I think she was a good 7 _____. Here is something she wrote when she saw the 8 _____ for the first time:

I stood with my feet in the water in awe of the mere 9 _____ of the deep blue. I was amazed at how wide it spread to the horizon. How I longed to see the creatures living below.

I have learned so much from this diary. It was very special to my mom, and now it is very special to me. I hope I will be able to 10 _____ it on to one of my kids in the future. It's the best!

Unit 1 One of My Favorite Things

Track 2

1. One of my favorite things is my grandma's old cookbook. My dad and I use it every Sunday to cook delicious food together. I think the best meal that we make is spaghetti.
2. One of my favorite things is my skateboard. My brother gave it to me. It's fun to skate around and practice doing tricks. It's also great for getting to my classes on time when I'm late.

Track 3

This diary has always been one of my favorite things. It was my mom's for many years, and she gave it to me on my seventeenth birthday. You might be asking yourself, "Why is that old book so special?" Well, it has taught me a lot about my family. You see, my grandmother died before I was born. I never got the chance to meet her. However, I feel like I know her because of this diary. It was hers, and it is filled with stories from her life. About a year after my grandmother died, my grandfather found the diary and gave it to my mom. My grandmother got this diary for her seventeenth birthday, and she wrote in it for about three years. It is interesting to see how our lives are so similar. For example, we have a love for dancing and hiking in common. I also like reading her words. I think she was a good writer. Here is something she wrote when she saw the ocean for the first time: *I stood with my feet in the water in awe of the mere beauty of the deep blue. I was amazed at how wide it spread to the horizon. How I longed to see the creatures living below.* I have learned so much from this diary. It was very special to my mom, and now it is very special to me. I hope I will be able to pass it on to one of my kids in the future. It's the best!

Unit 2 A Book Review

Track 4

1. I need to write a movie review before Thursday. I plan to write about a movie called *Only July*. The main character is a girl named Kate who lives on an island. In the story, she falls in love and gets married.
2. I am writing a book review for English class. The book we read was called *The Grapes of Wrath*. I had to re-read the book many times. It was difficult. I learned a lot, but I wouldn't recommend it to my friends.

Track 5

The title of my favorite book is *The Call of the Wild* by Jack London. It's a classic. I read it in high school for the first time, but I just re-read it this year. The book is an interesting adventure story. The story is set in the late 1890s, and the main character is a big dog named Buck. In the beginning, he lives a happy life in California as a prized dog. Then he is stolen and sold to a ring of thieves. He ends up in Alaska and the Yukon Territory of Canada during the Klondike Gold Rush. There he has a few different masters that starve him, beat him, and make him work as part of a dog sled team. Finally, as he is being beaten, a man called John Thornton comes into his life. John nurses Buck back to health, and they have many adventures together. Buck saves John's life twice. But one day, while Buck is out hunting, John is killed. After John's death, Buck joins a pack of wolves. He is wild and free, and he lives the rest of his life with the wolves. He gives in to the call of the wild. I like this book because it tells the story of how life changes. I think this book reminds people that we need to be strong and keep learning. Buck has to learn many new things in order to survive. Even though Buck is a dog and the conditions he faced were rough, everyone can learn something from this book. I would recommend this book to anyone. The writing is creative. It is a great read!

Unit 3 The Foreign Film Club

Track 6

1. W: Are you in any clubs?
M: Yes, I'm in a breakdancing club.
W: That's so cool! What do you do in it?
M: We learn about hip hop culture and dance styles. It's really fun to be part of the breakdancing community.
2. M: Are you in any clubs?
W: Yes, I joined a yoga club a few months ago.
M: That sounds nice. What do you do in it?
W: We practice yoga and meditation. We also learn about various topics related to the mind and body.

Track 7

Joining the Foreign Film Club was one of the best decisions I made during my freshman year. It has been a great way to meet people and make friends. I didn't know anyone when I started university, but the Foreign Film Club helped me make friends. When I joined the club, I thought we would just watch

Peer Evaluation Form

Name of Speaker: _____

Speech Topic: _____

My Name: _____

1

Needs a lot of practice

2

Needs some practice

3

Good

4

Great

5

Excellent

1. How well did the speaker deliver his/her speech? **1 2 3 4 5**
(Think about speed, pacing, pronunciation, and volume.)
2. How was the speaker's eye contact? **1 2 3 4 5**
3. How was the speaker's body language? **1 2 3 4 5**
4. Was the speech organized? **1 2 3 4 5**
(Think about the introduction, body, and conclusion.)
5. Was the speech easy to understand? **1 2 3 4 5**
(Think about transition words, sentence variety, and grammar.)
6. How were the visual aids? **1 2 3 4 5**
7. Do you think the speaker put in a lot of effort? **1 2 3 4 5**
(Think about practice time, research, and imagination.)
8. How well do you think the speaker did overall? **1 2 3 4 5**

1. My favorite part was _____

2. I thought you did well at _____
