# Nurturing Our Students to Be Competent Presenters

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Learning in Action: Teach to Learn – Learn to Teach

## Why TMMS focuses on speaking?

#### School Belief

- •Speaking is as important as other language skills such as reading and writing
- •Successful speaking experience facilitates language learning in general
- •Students' speaking skill development needs vertical curriculum plan

External Exam Requirements

#### P6 TSA

- Reading Aloud
- Teacher-student Interaction
- Presentations

F3 TSA All presentations

English Language Curriculum Guide

Speaking Curriculum

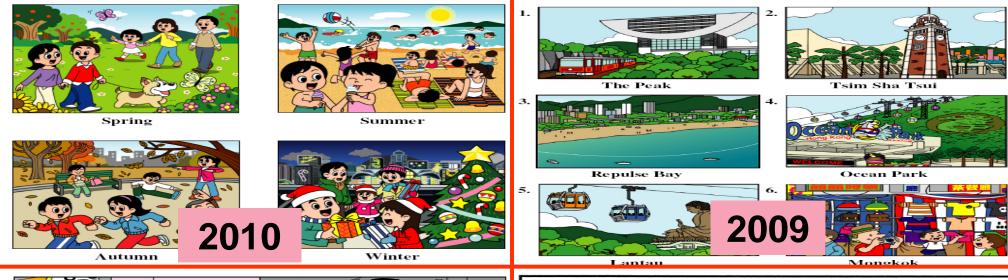
- •Present information, ideas and feelings clearly and coherently
- •Use grammar rules
- Link ideas using cohesive devices
- Use appropriate intonation, stress, volume, tone and speed

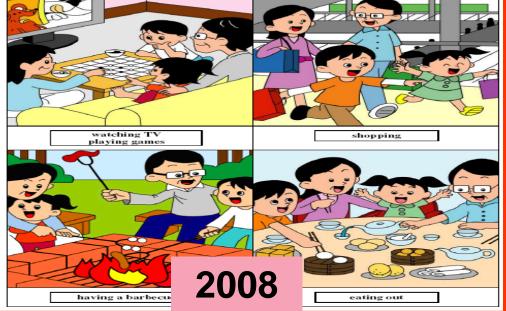
## **Analysis on TSA Speaking Genres**

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Elaborating Information in Detail				
Using Mind-maps to Present Ideas				
Comparing and Contrasting Ideas				
Telling Stories				

 Read the TSA papers given to you. Can you find the above genres in TSA 2010, 2009, 2008 and 2007 papers?

## Analysis on TSA requirements: Elaborating Information in Detail







2007

#### Presentation

#### Instruction Card

Here are some famous places to visit in Hong Kong. Choose three places a tourist should visit. You may use the pictures on the right to help you. Give reasons for your choices. You will have two minutes to complete the task.

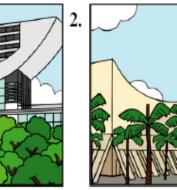
#### Remember:

- Do not write on this Instruction Card.
- · Look at the teacher when you do the presentation.

#### The following questions may help you:

- What is Hong Kong famous for?
- What are some popular places for tourists to visit in Hong Kong?
- What activities do tourists like to do at/on/in ?
- What can you see there?
- Why do you think tourists should visit \_\_\_\_\_\_







The Peak

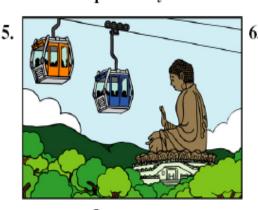
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Repulse Bay

Ocean Park



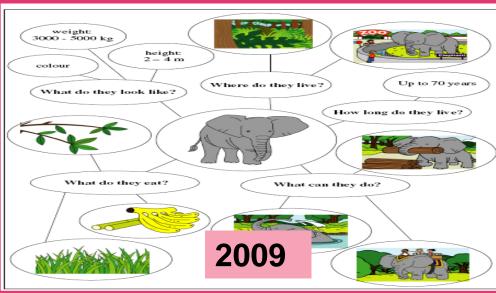


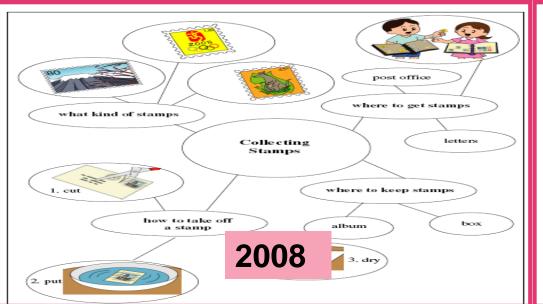
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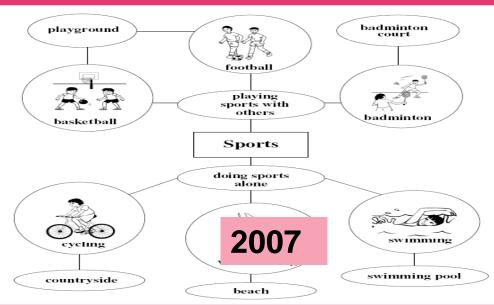
Mongkok

## Analysis on TSA requirements: Using mind-maps to present ideas









## Analysis on TSA requirements: Comparing and Contrasting Ideas





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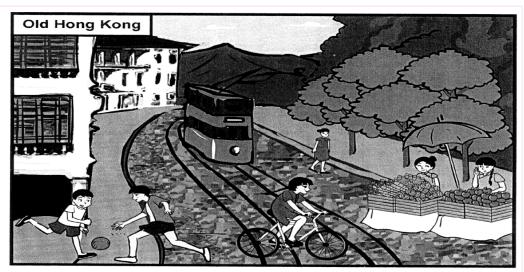






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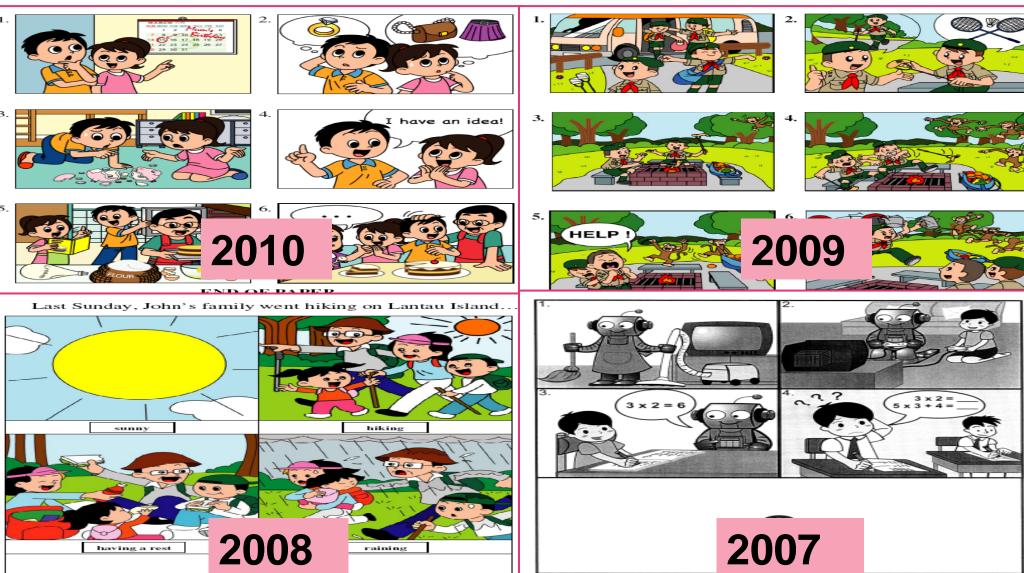






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## Analysis on TSA requirements: Telling Stories



# **Presentation Genres Elaborating information in detail**

Using mind-maps to present ideas

Comparing and contrasting ideas

**Telling stories** 

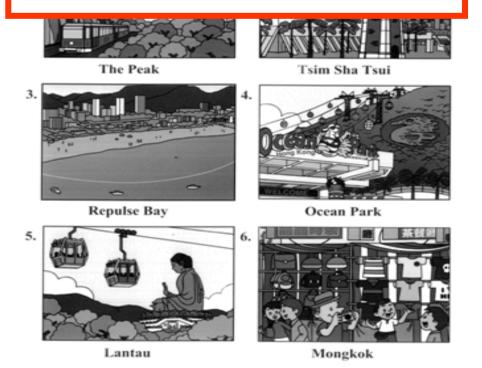
## A. Elaborating Information in Detail

Genre	Language	Framework
Elaborating information in detail	<ul> <li>Five senses (e.g. see, hear, taste, smell, do)</li> <li>There are/There is</li> <li>Especially</li> </ul>	Organizing information from general to specific

#### Presentations...

#### Objectives: ...

- 1. Learning how to present information from general to specific.
- 2. Learning hourte elaborate ideas using the five senses:
- what you can see with your eyes.
- what you can hear with your ears-
- what you can eat or taste with your mouth-
- what you can smell with your nose.
- what you can do -



Task 1: Write your presentation script in 60 words. ... Different interesting places in Hong Kong.  $\mathbf{l}^{**}\mathbf{part}_{\cdot 1}$ Main idea of presentation Main idea of your preentation... places in Hong Kong They are 2nd part. Use there are/they are to Use 'There are' present general and 'they are' patterns to tell information general information. Use especially, my <sup>3rd</sup> part. favourite is to highlight Use especially/ my favourite to more specific info highlight an example... Last part:... **Feelings** Your feelings I like going to

about the topic.

Thank you for

END OF PAPER

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#### **Different Interesting Places in HK**

I am going to talk about some interesting places in Hong Kong.

There are many interesting places in Hong Kong. They are the Peak, Tsim Sha Tsui, Repulse Bay, Ocean Park, Lantau and Mongkok. (General)

Ocean Park is my favourite. I can see views, it is beautiful. I can see a lot of people. I can see a lot of trees too. I can do a lot of things, for example, take photos, play games. Also, we can take cable car too. We can see beautiful views. I can hear birds singing. I can hear people talking loudly. I can smell fresh air. I can eat different kinds of yummy food. I can eat fish ball, ice cream, noodles. (Specific)

I think Ocean Park is a good place to visit. Thank you.

- Why Script Writing?
- 1. Provide students with an idea organization framework
- 2. Give student the necessary language input
- 3. A meticulous mental process to help presentation beginners to think aloud and build confidence
- 4. An important transitional stage to help students become competent speakers who do not rely on scripts

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#### **Different Interesting Places in HK**

I am going to talk about Repulse Bay.

There are many good places in Hong Kong. They are many activities for me to join.

Frist, I will tell you what I can see and eat in Repulse Bay. There are many people come to the Repulse Bay for sight seens and swimming.

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#### **Problems!**

There are grammatical mistakes in scripts and presentations.

n there, I can near nappy voices and near people talking happily. I can smell fresh air in there.

I think Repulse Bay is a good place in Hong Kong because there are a beautiful beach and the sea water is clean.

#### **Teachers' Reflection**

Students could follow the framework.
Students did use the language input from reading and notes.

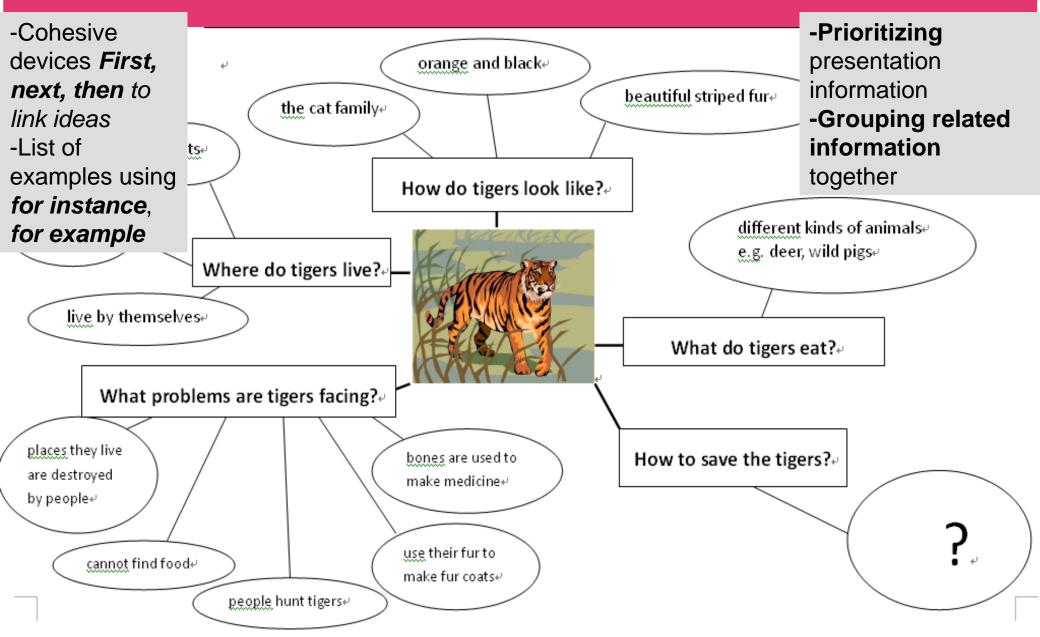
## Students made mistakes in scripts and presentations

- Not to worry about the language accuracy in scripts too much since we are teaching speaking
- •Research tells us too much focus on errors would discourage students to speak (Resnick and Snow 2009)
- Speaking errors are unavoidable and natural

## Many students relied on scripts

 Note-taking skills have to be taught.

### B. Using mind-maps to present ideas

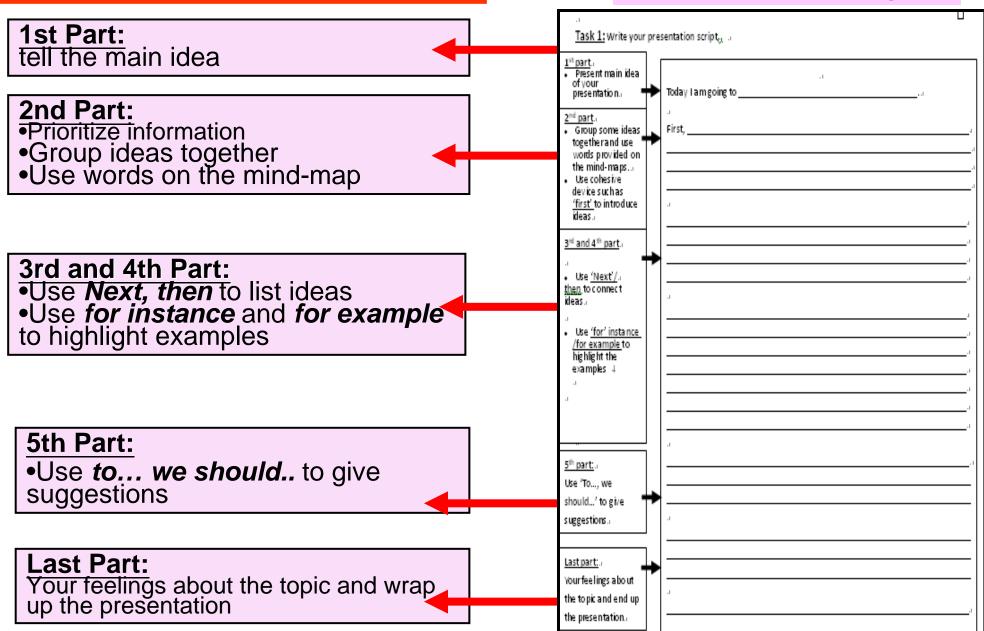


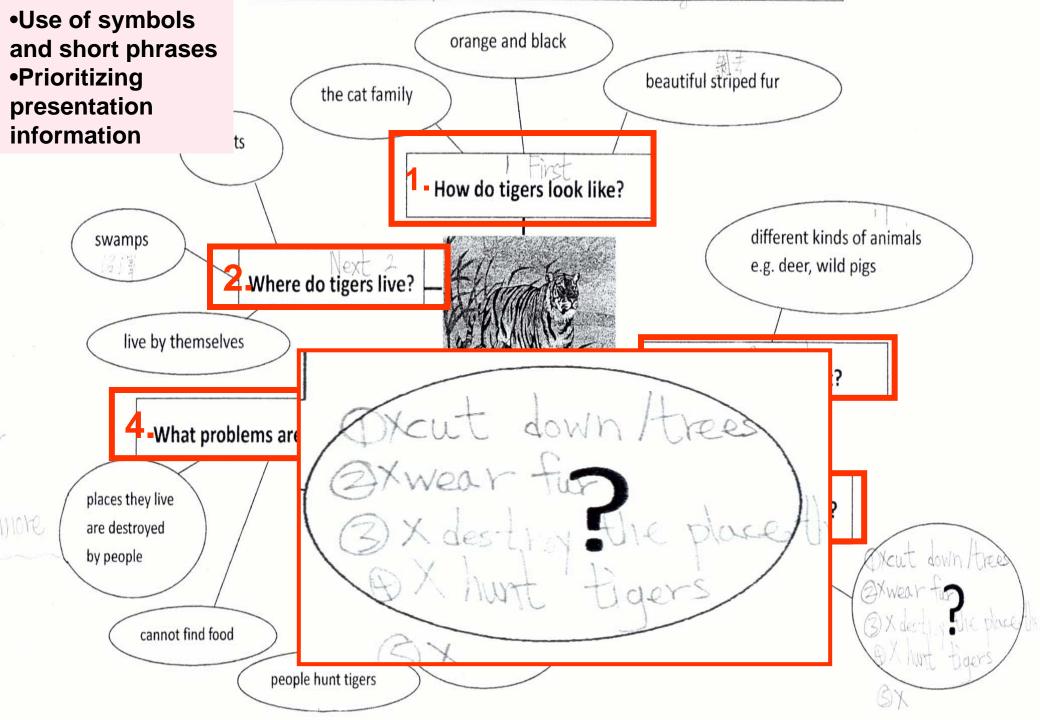
## B. Using mind-maps to present ideas

Genre	Language	Framework
Using mind-maps to present ideas (P.5 Dolphin	•Use of cohesive devices <b>such as First, next, then</b> to link ideas	<ul><li>Prioritizing</li><li>presentation</li><li>information</li></ul>
Watch Module)	•List of examples using for instance, for example, such as	•Grouping related information together

#### **Presentation Framework**

#### **Presentation about Tigers**

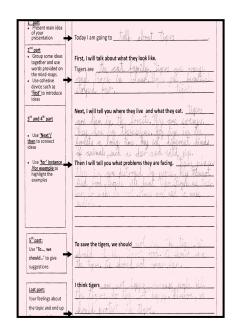




### Tips to take notes

- •Only write key words for presentations. Not whole sentences.
- •Most important key words are nouns and verbs, You can add cohesive devices, adjectives and adverbs to enrich your presentations.
- •Use **symbols**. You can always create your symbols.

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    ✓ for good; * for bad; Ph for Philip; P for Peter; Sch for School; * important eg.g. Eating breakfast is important.
    g.g. Eating breakfast is important.
    g.g. Fruit is good for our body.
    p. Fruit ✓ body.
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#### **Another Student's Work**

Today I am going to talk about tigers.

**First**, I will talk about what they look like. Tigers are the cat family. Tigers are orange and black in colour. People wear tigers's beautiful striped fur.

**Next**, I will tell you where they live and what they eat. Tigers are live in the forests. They are swamps. They live by themselves. They live in the forests a long time. They eat different kinds of animals, such as deer and wild pigs.

**Then** I will tell you what problems they are facing. Tigers are places they live are destroyed by people. They cannot find food. People will hunt tigers. People use their fur to make fur coats. Bones are used to make medicine.

To save tigers, we should not kill the tigers. We should not kill tigers's food. We should save the tigers. We should not wear fur.

I think tigers are not happy because people skill the tigers. So they not happy. **Therefore**, we should protect the tigers.

This is the end of my presentation. Thank you.

### **Teachers' Reflection**

- Students learned how to prioritize and group information in the mind-map using the framework and language.
- Students started to take notes for presentations. They relied less on scripts.
- Students' language was too narrow. Every student started and ended the presentation in the same way.
- Students treasured teachers' immediate feedback very much. Some students welcomed more specific feedback, all students liked positive feedback. We should make teachers' feedback more professional to cater for students' learning needs.

### **C.** Comparing and Contrasting Information

Genre	Language	Framework
Comparing and contrasting information	<ul> <li>Use of however, but to show differences</li> <li>Use of Like and Similarly to show similarities</li> </ul>	Comparing and contrasting different aspects

Task 1: Surf the Internet and find some information about the geography of Hong Kong and Singapore...

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## Comparing HK and Singapore

**State Presentation Purpose** 



1st difference or similarity



2nd difference or similarity



3rd difference or similarity



**Personal Ideas** 

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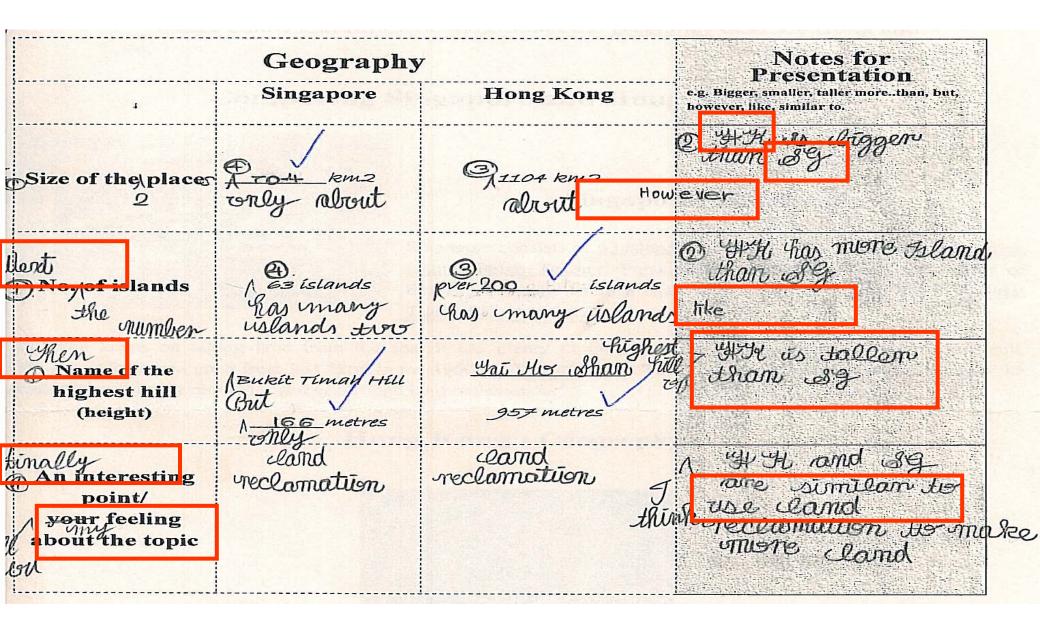
#### **Beginning**

- Do you want to know more about.....
- I am going to present to you something very interesting today....
- I recently went to a park and I would like to share with you something I saw there...

#### **Ending**

- I hope you like my presentation.
- I hope you have learned something from my presentation.
- Thank you very much for listening to me.

## Student Notes: more ready student

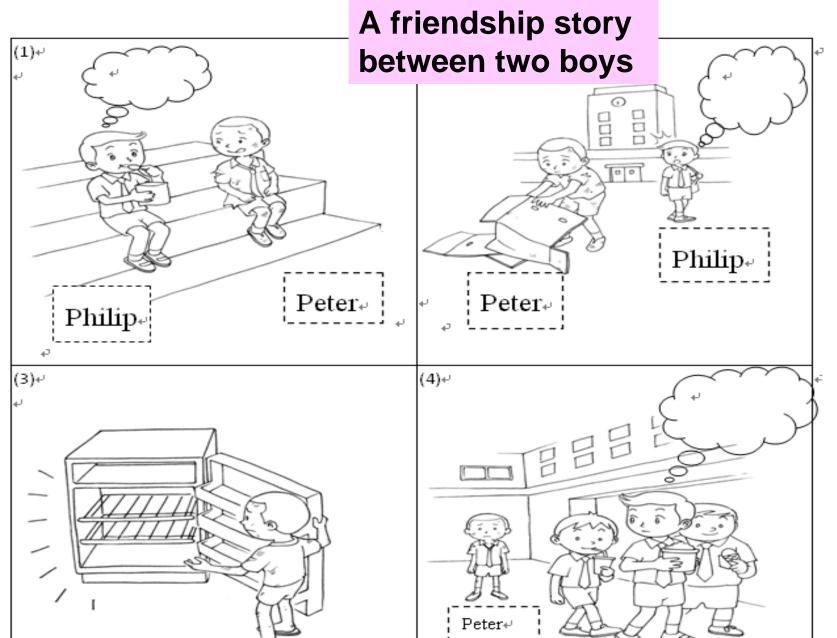


#### **Teachers' Reflection**

- Students' language on opening and ending presentations improved.
- Most students' developed skills to take notes.
- Teachers' feedback was useful but it took time. Only some students were benefited. We should maximize the number of students who could learn from feedback.
- We have already integrated group presentation among students. We could take a step further by introducing group evaluation. Students should be able to use the presentation criteria to judge group members' speaking skills.

## D. Telling stories

	Language	Framework
Telling stories (P.6 Friendship)	•Use of cohesive devices e.g.  At the beginning, then, suddenly	Sequencing ideas in logical way
	•Use of dialogues (Learn saying words e.g. said, told, shouted, screamed)	
	•Use of monologues (Learn saying words e.g. thought, said to himself)	28



.1	Nouns, Verbs, Cohesive devices, Adjectives, Adverbs,
	Dialogues, Monologues.  □
1" Part↓ Presentation Starter	1st Part: Presentation Starter Tell the main characters and their relation
2 <sup>nd</sup> Part ↓ (Story beginning)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Part :(Story beginning) Use cohesive devices (e.g. one day, in the beginning) to start the story
	₽
3 <sup>rd</sup> Part ↓ (Story body)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Part: (Story body) Use then, after that, suddenly to link different parts of a story. Use past tense. Use monologues and dialogues.
4 <sup>th</sup> Part ↓ (Story Ending):↓	4 <sup>th</sup> Part :(Story Ending): Make the ending creative to impress your listeners. Also you can add you feelings.
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Presentation Ending.₁  ₽	5th Part: Presentation Ending
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### **Presentation Evaluation Criteria**

## Elaborate info in detail

- Used there are and they are patterns.
- Structured info from general to specific
- Spoke loudly and confidently
- Showed eye contact

## Compare and contrast Ideas

- Used but, however, like and similar to
- Spoke but, however, like and similar to with stress
- Spoke confidently
- Spoke clearly
- Spoke loudly \*
- Showed eye \*
   contact

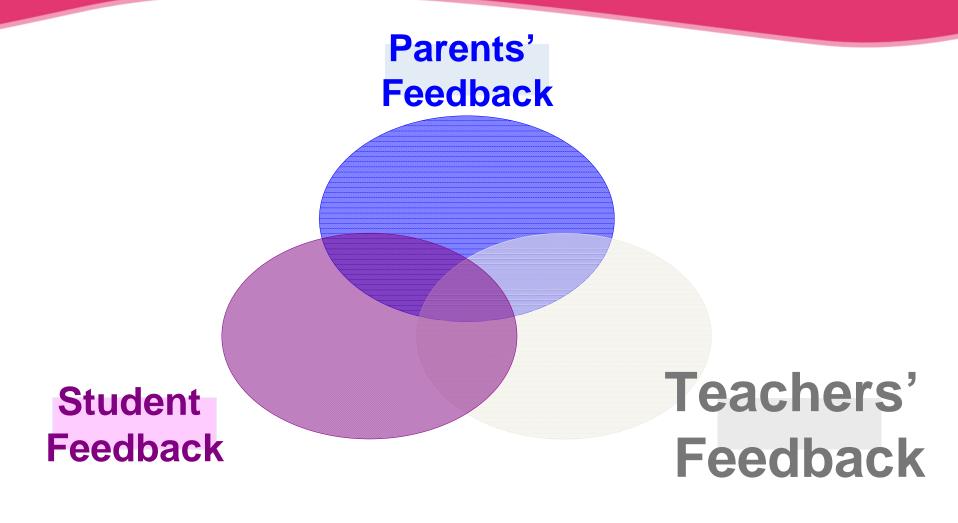
#### **Tell stories**

- Used past tense
- Used monologues and dialogues
- Cohesive devices
- Spoke confidently
- Spoke loudly and clearly
- Showed eye contact
- Can pronounce these words better such as.....

### **Criteria for Evaluating Story Telling Skills**

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2. The group member used monologues and dialogues	2 Tek j (* )	D cannot below	or (granning
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3. The group member used cohesive devices.	5	II .	由
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The group member showed eye contact.	12	A letter	È
The group member can pronounce these words better: (write down the words in the box.)	Draight_		The leter

### Different Kinds of Feedback



#### Teachers' Reflection on Peer Evaluation

- Peer presentations and evaluation allow all students to try out presentation skills and benefit from peer feedback in a more cozy environment. They help to cater for learner diversity.
- Let students use the assessment criteria teachers use so students understand areas they should work on and what level they should achieve.
- Nurture a positive culture to appreciate group mates'
  work and grow a modest attitude to accept comments.
  Negative comments from classmates could be damaging
  on student-student relation and learning confidence.

## TMMS Speaking Curriculum (Presentations)

Criteria*₀* 

P.1- P.2- P.3- P.4- P.5- P.6-

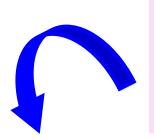
B) Presentation

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1. Presenting content in One picture₽	<b>√</b> ↓	4	<b>√</b> ↓	٩	4	42	4
2. Using <b>Wh- questions</b> to help thinking about how to elaborate ideas₽	<b>√</b> ₽	4	₩				
( What, Where, Who, Why, How, Which, How many, How old)⊬	4	₩	ب				
3. Answering in one complete sentence (1st term)√	<b>√</b> +	₩	4				
4. Giving reasons (because) (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)₽	<b>√</b> ₽	٠	٠				L
5. Presenting content in 3-4 pictures₽	٠	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ↓	₽	4	4	4
6. Using Wh- questions to help thinking about how to elaborate ideas₽		<b>√</b> ↓	ب	₽	4	₩	
( What, Where, Who, Why, How, Which, How many, How old, <b>When</b> )⊬		4	4	₽	4	41	
7. Making elaborations – 2 sentences⊬		<b>√</b> ₽	4	ų	₽	4	
8. Giving <b>examples</b> (e.g. how hardworking a person is)₽		<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
9. Describing the appearance of a person/thing₽		<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
10. Giving reasons by using a variety of phrases/ vocabulary (as/because/since) 🕫		<b>√</b> ₽					
11. Using <b>Wh- questions</b> to help thinking about how to elaborate ideas⊬	ته	٠	<b>√</b> ↓	₽	₽	₽	1
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13. Making elaborations (2-3 sentences) by giving examples ↓			<b>√</b> ↓	₽	₽	↵	
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14. Telling a story with beginning, middle and ending.₽			<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
15. Using <b>saying words</b> and <b>dialogues</b> ₽			<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	
16. Using <b>cohesive devices</b> to link different parts of stories₽			<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b>	
17. Making a creative <b>story ending</b> ₽			<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	L
18. Making elaborations (3 sentences) for different genres such as notices, posters,	٠	٠	47	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	4
advertisements etc ≠				₽	4	4	
19 Explaining the procedures (First Next Then After that Finally).				<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
20. Adding appropriate adjectives/adverbs⊬				<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
21 Making comparisons (e.g. using comparatives/superlatives, finding out-				₽	4	41	
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21 Talling a story based on 4.6 pictures.

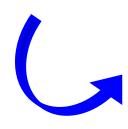
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22. Showing climax of stories using proper cohesive devices (e.g. all of a sudder	n,				<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
suddenly).					4	41	₩	
23 Linking the events by using appropriate cohesive devices₽					<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
24. Learning the <b>note-taking skills for presentations</b> ₽					<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
25. Learning to <b>manage time</b> in presentations⊎					<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
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27. Making elaborations (4 sentences) for different genres such as notices, poster	rs,	٠	₽	₽	4	<b>√</b> ↓	<b>√</b> ↓	+
advertisements etc.₽					4	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
28. Contrasting ideas (e.g. using the although/but structures & cohesive device	ψ.				4	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
'However')₽					4	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
29. Beginning informative or descriptive presentations with a topic sentence (e.g	g.				ų.	4	₽	
Hong Kong is a busy city. There are many)↓					<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
30 Giving suggestions/opinions (If you In my opinion I think )					ب	<b>√</b> ₽	<b>√</b> ₽	
31. Using mind maps to present ideas: (Expositions e.g. Hobbies; Narrative e	.g.				<b>√</b> ↓			
A Trip to Lantau Island)₽					₽			
32. Expressing wishes/goodwill/requests (I hope that, I look forward to, I	4	٩	₽	₽	₽	₽	<b>√</b> ₽	+
would like to)₽							₩	
33. Giving positive and negative effects₽							<b>√</b> ₽	
34. Using monologues₽							<b>√</b> ₽	



1. Link speaking to reading or writing

2. Teach students the language and framework for various genres through script writing

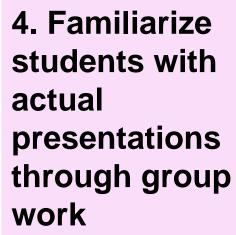
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3. Facilitate students to present the main gist of presentation through note-writing



5. Give students immediate feedback



#### Conclusion

- Presentation skills have to be taught systematically.
- Scaffolding is a must; from input on language to using the language; from presentation to group members to all classmates, from using the criteria to gauge classmates' performance to internalizing the criteria to make self-improvement.
- Teachers' positive attitude to errors is essential to build students' learning confidence.
- Teachers should be sensitive to students' needs and interest from time to time.
- It is important to create classroom time for students to talk in the classroom.

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