**Speaking Templates**

**Independent Speaking Templates**

**Independent Speaking Question 1**

A good answer to the independent speaking question might follow this template...

* I feel that.....  // I believe that....  // In my opinion...
* I feel this way for two reasons...
* First of all... // First...
* Secondly... // Moreover...
* To sum it up...  // And that's why I feel that.... // And that's why I believe that...

**Independent Speaking Question 2**

A good answer to the second independent speaking question (preference) might follow this template...

* I prefer to... // I prefer that... // I prefer X over Y // I'm partial to...
* I feel this way for two reasons...
* First of all... // First
* Secondly... // Moreover...
* To sum it up... //  And that's why I prefer X over Y

**Integrated Speaking**

**A. Reading, Listening, Speaking**

**Integrated Speaking Question 1**

1. About the reading

* The reading is about... // The reading concerns...
* It says that... // It states that... // It explains that...

2. About the conversation

* The man disagrees with the proposal (or announcement, or memo, etc) // The man agrees with the proposal
* He disagrees for two reasons // He agrees for two reasons
* First... // First of all...
* Secondly... // Moreover...

**Integrated Speaking Question 2**

1. About the reading

* The main idea of the reading is... // The reading is mainly concerned with...
* The author says that...

2. About the lecture

* The lecturer further develops the ideas in the reading by giving several examples // The lecturer challenges the ideas of the lecture by giving several examples...
* First, he says that...
* Second, he says that...

(sometimes there is only one example, so you'll just speak about the first one at greater length)

**B. Listening, Speaking**

A good answer to the first integrated listening/speaking question might follow this template...

**Integrated Speaking Question 3**

**For example: "Describe the woman's problem and the two suggestions that her friend makes about how to handle it. What do you think the woman should do, and why?"**

1. The Problem

* The man's (or woman's) problem is...
* He explains that...

2. The Suggestions

* The woman’s/man's friend offers several suggestions...
* First, he/she suggests...
* He/She also suggests...
* The woman’s/man's response to these suggestions is...

3. Opinion

* In my opinion, the man/woman should...

**Integrated Speaking Question 4**

For example: **"Using the main points and examples from the lecture, describe the two criteria for using an older research reference presented by the professor."**

1. The lecture (the concept)

* The lecturer explains \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* He explains this by giving several examples // He explains this by offering several ideas...

2. The examples/criteria/illustrations

* First, he states that... // First he claims that... For example,
* Second, he states that... // Second he claims that...

3. Conclusion

In conclusion,