

Impact ISSUES 3

PRESENTING YOUR IDEAS IN ENGLISH



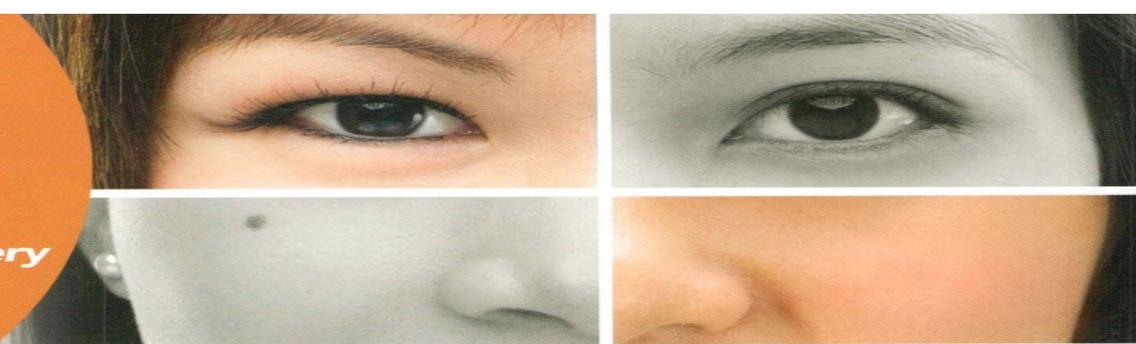
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Lesson 1

Cosmetic Surgery

appearance, family relationships, cosmetic surgery



Get Ready

Work with a partner. Ask and answer these questions.

1. Do you know anyone who has had cosmetic surgery?
2. How do you feel about cosmetic surgery?

Engage

A

1

READ AND LISTEN

SITUATION Ayu is eighteen years old. She wants to have cosmetic surgery on her face. How does her mother feel about this decision?



Ayu: Mom, I have something exciting to tell you.

Mother: What's that?

Ayu: I'm going to have an operation to get my eyelids fixed.

Mother: What? Get your eyelids fixed? Are you saying that you're going to have cosmetic surgery?

Ayu: Yeah. It's not very expensive. And it's only my eyelids.

Mother: Only your eyelids?!

Ayu: Yeah. It's not like I'm going to, you know, do anything drastic. I'm just going to fix them.

Mother: But why?

Ayu: Why? So I can look prettier. I've been working to save my money, and I want to do this.

Mother: So that explains it. That's why you've been doing all those part-time jobs.

Ayu: Exactly.

Mother: But Ayu, you're beautiful the way you are. You look great.

Ayu: Mom, that's not how I feel. My eyes have always bothered me. I think this surgery will help build my confidence and make me feel better about myself. Maybe, when I finish university, I'll have a chance to get jobs that I

wouldn't be able to get if I didn't fix my eyelids.

Mother: Oh, Ayu. You should build your confidence through your education, your intelligence and your personality. All that is more important than your looks.

Ayu: Mom, you don't understand. What I look like affects how I act. If I become more confident because of my looks, I'll be able to do everything better.

Mother: Maybe, but have you ever thought about how risky cosmetic surgery can be? People even die sometimes. I've heard about all kinds of problems.

Ayu: This is a very simple surgery, Mom. There will be no risks.

Mother: I don't agree with you. Surgery is surgery. They're all risky.

Ayu: Mom, times have changed. Minor cosmetic surgeries are common now, and they're completely safe.

Mother: Sorry, but you can't do this. Your father is going to say "No," too.

Ayu: I'm doing it whether you guys like it or not. I'm an adult now.

Mother: Ayu, I think you're making a terrible mistake.



B

GLOSSARY Say these expressions.

drastic = extreme

the way you are = without changing anything about you

affect = have an impact on

risky = dangerous

Understand the Situation

A CHECK YOUR COMPREHENSION

Work with a partner. Answer the questions.

1. What type of cosmetic surgery is Ayu planning to have? _____
2. Why does Ayu want to have cosmetic surgery? _____
3. What is her mother's idea about building confidence? _____
Is it the same as Ayu's idea? _____
4. How will Ayu pay for her cosmetic surgery? _____
5. What does Ayu think of her mother's advice? _____

B DRAMATIC READING

Work with a partner. Read the conversation out loud. One person is Ayu. One person is her mother.

C LANGUAGE PUZZLE

Unscramble the words to make sentences.

you / something / have / to / tell / I / exciting
how / feel / I / not / that's
way / are / you / the / beautiful / you're

I / act / how / what / look like / I / affects
or / not / you / guys / doing it / like it / whether / I'm

Think about the Issue

A 2

LISTEN Do you agree or disagree with these opinions?

IRIS

Ayu should have the cosmetic surgery now. She's the one to make decisions about her own body and appearance.

agree / disagree

SHIN

Ayu should not have the cosmetic surgery. It's not right to change your natural appearance.

agree / disagree

MARK

Ayu's mother is old-fashioned. Cosmetic surgery is common and safe. If something bothers you about your looks, you can change it.

agree / disagree

ANNA

Ayu doesn't need surgery to feel good about herself. She should work on her self-esteem. Beauty comes from within.

agree / disagree

B THINK What do you think about Ayu's decision?

MY IDEA (I think... / I don't think...)

C SHARE Now work with a partner. Ask for your partner's opinion. Say your opinion.

INTERACTION MODELS

In your opinion,	who has	the best idea?
		the strongest argument?
		the most valid point?
I think (that)	Anna makes	an interesting point.
	Shin has	a strong argument.
Yeah,	me, too.	
	I think so, too.	

Explore the Topic

A

ON YOUR OWN

What would you do to feel more confident? Check (✓) the ideas you agree with. Then add two new ideas.

I WOULD...	✓
get cosmetic surgery to change my looks.	
go on a diet.	
try to wear fashionable clothes.	
get better grades by studying harder.	
increase my knowledge.	
improve my self-control.	
earn more money.	
try to change my personality.	
praise myself more.	
try not to compare myself with others.	
MY IDEA	
MY IDEA	



THINK ABOUT healthy activities, lifestyle changes, things that make you feel good

B

GROUP EXCHANGE

Talk to your classmates. Ask for their opinions.

"What would you do to feel more confident?"

"Would you _____ to feel more confident?"

When you talk, take notes. Fill in the table.



Name _____ • • •	Name _____ • • •
Name _____ • • •	Name _____ • • •

Which opinions are most popular?

- _____
- _____
- _____

Present Your Ideas

Improving myself.

A **WATCH** Take notes on Daniel's presentation. (Script is on page 90.)



CONTENT

Are these statements true or false?

1. Daniel is a very neat person.
2. Daniel thinks it's important to do things independently.
3. Daniel lives with his family.
4. Daniel finds it easy to wash dishes.

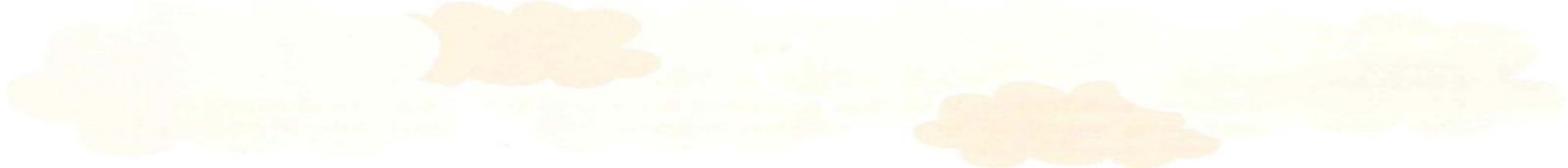
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YOUR REACTION

Work with a partner. Ask and answer these questions.

1. What parts of Daniel's presentation were interesting for you? What did you think of Daniel's presentation?
2. Do you think Daniel's suggestions were good? What do you think are good ways to improve yourself?
3. What about Daniel's communication was effective?

B **BRAINSTORM** What do you want to improve to feel better about yourself? Write your ideas: 5-10 key words.



C **ORGANIZE** What do you want to say?

The title of your presentation:
Introduce your topic:
Your main ideas:
Your conclusion:

D **PRESENT** Give your presentation to a partner.

E **FEEDBACK** Listen to your partner's presentation. Fill in this form.

Partner's name: _____

Title of the presentation: _____

What is your overall impression? | | |

Did you understand the main idea? | | |

What are some important words from the presentation? _____

What do you want to ask your partner? _____

What is your reaction to the presentation? _____

Other feedback: _____