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NEW PROJECTS (and activities)

Situation 1 : Weather and Seasons

Write an e-mail to a friend to suggest some outdoor (or indoor) activities you could do together over the next three days, relating the information you found concerning the weather for those three days. Don't forget to begin with a greeting ('Hi', 'Hello'...) and a short introductory sentence or two. Also, your message should end with one or two closing sentences.

First check the weather forecast on Environment Canada.ca. Remember to search the English version of the website by searching 'environment Canada weather Brossard, Montreal, etc...' using Google.

Use several of the following sentence structures to write about weather predictions:

- 1) It is supposed to be _____ (adjective)
- 2) The winds are supposed to be _____ (adjective)
- 3) There is supposed to be _____ (noun)
- 4) It is supposed to _____ (verb)
- 5) The forecast is for _____ (noun)
- 6) It is going to be _____ (adjective)
- 7) It is going to _____ (verb)
- 8) It will be _____ (adjective)
- 9) We're going to have _____ (noun)

Situation 2: Goods, Classified Ads and other Advertisements

Find an ad on Kijiji for Toronto, Vancouver... The ad should be for an object (car, bicycle, appliance...) Write an e-mail to the owner of the object to inquire about extra information (price, condition of item, how old it is, etc...) .

OR

Check a store website (Bestbuy, etc...) for a household appliance or electronic device. Find two models and note the price, features, etc... Call the store to ask for information on the two models and choose one. Write the questions and answers .

Situation 3: Tickets and Information for Recreational Activities

Find out online about an event you are interested in (sports match, concert, etc...)

Write an e-mail to the venue (stadium, arena, concert hall ...) to ask for availability of tickets, ticket price, etc...

Situation 5: Board Game Rules

Find the rules of a board game (or other type of game), simplify them and write them in your own words. First, take a look at the link to board game instructions below. Include approximately ten rules. Remember to include intro and conclusion.

http://boardgames.lovetoknow.com/Printable_Instructions_for_Board_Games

Situation 6: Oral and Written Invitations/ Activity Suggestions

Find out about an activity in your area (search online) and then write an informal message to a friend to invite them to come with you. Give them necessary information (description of event, time, place, how you will go, when you could meet, etc...)

OR

Respond to an informal invitation from a friend in an e-mail and by telephone. Accept or decline the invitation. Make sure to indicate if you are free or busy and if you are interested in this type of activity or not.

Situation 7: Descriptions of Places (Local and International)

Compare your neighborhood with a place you have visited or would like to visit on vacation (research it online if necessary) Write an article for a local travel agency blog.

Situation 8: Asking questions about a specific Place/Public Transportation Information

You are planning a visit to a local or vacation destination and you need public transportation directions. Write an e-mail and call the place (movie theatre, library...) or a tourist bureau for directions.

Situation 9: Trip Description/Postcards

Read a few sample vacation postcards in your textbook and online. Then write a postcard to a friend or family member. Imagine you are on vacation at your dream destination. Describe what the weather is like, describe the people, write what you have been doing and what you plan to do, as well as when you plan to return.

Situation 10: Advice for a Problem/Giving your Opinion

Read an advice column in an online version of a newspaper. Write a fictional letter to the advice columnist, or write his/her response. Take a look at the following link for examples.

<http://ellieadvice.com/>