

Ted Project

Ted Assignment (January)

21st Century Communication 1

Choose one of the Assignments from Unit 1-8 to complete the writing assignment. The writing assignment is listed at the end of each unit. All writing assignments will be carried out individually. The textbook is there to guide you through the writing assignment. The reading section including diagrams, photos, infographics, and guiding questions are there to help you brainstorm your ideas for the writing assignment.

You may look up the actual Tedtalks listed under each of the units in the textbook. Transcript of each of the tedtalks from the unit will be provided towards the end of the textbook.

Ted Speakers

Unit 1: Small Actions, Big Results

Lawyer and Political Activist

Joe Smith

How to use a Paper Towel

Writing: Write a report on tips to help the environment after having explored the Tedtalk

Unit 2: Connecting to Nature

Photographer

Camille Seaman

Photos from a Storm Chaser

Writing: Give an individual presentation describing a time when you felt connected to nature after having explored the Tedtalk

Unit 3: Going Places

Roboticist

Sanjay Dastoor

A skateboard wit a boost

Writing: Participate in a panel discussion about ecofriendly methods of transportation after having watched the Tedtalk

Unit 4: Music, Music Everywhere

Pianist

Daria Van Den Bercken

Why I take Piano on the road... and in the air

Writing: Give an individual written presentation describing your music-listening style. Refer to both Tedtalk and infographics and diagrams from the textbook.

Unit 5: Give Thanks

Author and Illustrator

Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Why Lunch Ladies are Heroes

Writing: Give an individual written presentation describing an experience of giving or receiving thanks that has affected you or someone you know

Unit 6: Tell me Why...

Chemistry Teacher

Ramsey Musallam

3 Rules to Spark Learning

Writing: Give an individual presentation about a time when your curiosity led you to learn or try something new. Explore both the Tedtalk and infographics and diagrams from the textbook in completing the assignment.

Unit 7: The Livable City

Architect

Moshe Safdie

How to reinvent the apartment building

Writing: Give an individual written presentation describing a building or public space that makes a city or town more livable

Unit 8: Life Lessons

Entrepreneur

Ric Elias

3 Things I learned while my plane crashed

Writing: Give an individual presentation about a change you made or want to make (It can be a habit or a behavior, a change in attitude or perspective, or a big life change ,such as moving) Refer to both the Tedtalk and textbook infographics and texts for brainstorming ideas for the assignment.