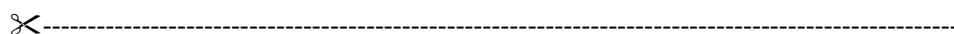


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**S P E A K I N G – R O L E P L A Y**

**Student A**

During your stay at an American university, you have been asked to prepare a short talk for one of your seminars introducing different historical personalities such as Maria Theresa, Milan Rastislav Štefánik, Alexander Dubček, etc. Choose two of them and explain their roles in Slovak history. Try to make it as interesting as possible as you need your teacher's approval.



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**Teacher**

You teach a student from Slovakia who addressed you that they would like to present some historical personalities in your English seminar. You do not know what they plan to speak about and that's why you would like to get as much information as possible before the seminar. The student needs your approval. Their talk should be interesting in order to be attractive to students from other countries.

**S P E A K I N G   –   P I C T U R E S**

Look at the quotations related to spending money. Discuss all the quotations, focusing on:

- what is behind these quotations,
- the advantages and disadvantages of having a lot of money,
- your attitude to one of the chosen quotations, justifying your opinion.



Too many people spend money they haven't earned,  
to buy things they don't want,  
to impress people they don't like.  
– Will Rogers

The no-spend challenge encourages you to spend almost nothing  
for an entire week, month, or year, on anything but life necessities.  
This challenge is different from the low-buy year,  
which encourages you to spend less but not nothing.

There are so many ways to spend money.  
But ways to earn it are hard.  
You labour for it through blood and sweat.  
So spend it wisely and don't waste it.  
Save it for your future.  
lovelypoete23

**L I S T E N I N G   T A P E   S C R I P T**

**(Please read once.)**

**You will hear a text about a journey through Canada. Fill in the gaps in the statements (01-05) with one, two, or three words. You will hear the text only once.**

Linking to sophisticated cities – Calgary and Vancouver – this 600-mile journey completely justifies that overused word ‘spectacular’.

There’s also wildlife abundance – everything from bears to orcas – zingingly good Chardonnay and the shimmering Pacific Ocean for a finishing line. If there’s drawback, it’s scenic fatigue – the danger that your sense gets blunted by the national parks’ relentlessly epic vistas on a grander scale than anything in Europe.

The 10-day route chases the setting sun out of Calgary towards the west, but starts with a 90-minute drive to the east into South Alberta’s Badlands, where the grassy plains plummet into a maze of steep, multihued mesas (flat-topped hills) and winding canyons – home to the largest deposit of dinosaur bones on earth. Drumheller’s Royal Tyrrell Museum displays some of the most complete dinosaur skeletons ever found.

Further south, at Writing-on-Stone Park, you enter an alien world sculpted by ice, water, and wind, with vast forests of sandstone hoodoos (rock spires) and vertiginous cliffs – a canvas for the greatest collection of rock art on North America’s Great Plains. Thousands of carvings and paintings, made mainly by the Blackfoot Nation over 3,000 years ago, depict warrior, bison, tipis, and spirits.

It’s far from the only evidence of the First Nations’ symbolic relationship with nature. Near Fort Macleod, the UNESCO World Heritage site (an excellent interpretive centre) of Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump does exactly what it says on the tin. Young Blackfoot men, dressed as wolves and coyote, intimidated herds of buffalo to stampede over a steep ridge – a natural abattoir where the bone deposits lie nearly 40 feet deep. Stand silently in the big landscape under big skies and you can really sense the past.

It’s an undeniably thrilling experience to drive west along Highway 1 as the Rocky Mountains rear up before you. The prairies are rapidly forgotten as you’re engulfed by the peaks of Banff National Park with the eponymous town – a lively winter and summer hub with over 130 restaurants, bars, and cafes – bookended by mighty Cascade Mountain and Mount Rundle’s distinctive sloping face.

The park offers over 1,000 miles of hiking trails, many accessible from town, including 7,486-foot Sulphur Mountain. Or you can let the gondola take the strain, but either way, you’ll reach the new Above Banff theatre and half-mile boardwalk, offering astounding 360-degree views of six mountain ranges, with the Bow River curling sinuously through the valley.

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**A N S W E R K E Y**

**GRAMMAR – 15pts**

01 had/'d all been waiting 02 had/'d sparked 03 was swiftly abandoned 04 readied  
05 were instructed 06 distracting 07 was being watched 08 has boomed 09 (being) launched  
10 comes 11 are usually led 12 are encased 13 enabling 14 to access 15 were rewarded

**VOCABULARY – 10pts (SPELLING COUNTS!) - 0.5 for each**

01 rosebuds 02 warriors 03 itself 04 mortals 05 volunteers 06 scary 07 everywhere  
08 disembark 09 teahouses 10 infinite 11 mindfully 12 ethereal 13 alike  
14 breathtaking/breath-taking 15 choice 16 prebook/pre-book 17 clockwork 18 impenetrable  
19 invaluable 20 futuristic

**READING COMPREHENSION – 10pts**

01 L 02 C 03 H 04 I 05 A 06 K 07 M 08 D 09 G 10 E

**VOCABULARY – PROGRESSIVE TEST**

For example: **set somebody/something apart** – used when talking about a specific characteristic or quality that makes someone or something special., **set up** – to organise or arrange something in a logical or coherent manner, etc.

**LISTENING COMPREHENSION – 5pts**

01 drawback 02 largest deposit 03 warriors 04 wolves (and) coyote 05 eponymous

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