

THE CLEAN SPEECH PROJECT UK PRESENTS

A PARENT-CHILD LEARNING ACTIVITY



**PASSPORT
TO POSITIVE SPEECH**





Welcome to your positive speech passport. This passport will accompany you on your journey from negative to positive speech.

We will be departing from the Land of Negative Speech and are due to arrive at Positive Speech Island.

YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE!

FILL IN YOUR PASSPORT INFORMATION PAGE.



Photo	Name
	Age
	Country of Residence
	Reason for wanting to leave negative speech behind...
	Reason for heading towards positive speech...

CHECK-IN

At the check-in desk you are surprised to be offered a chance to be upgraded to first class. IF... you can answer the following dilemmas together with your family.

Dilemma 1

At the airport, you notice a passenger who has flown with you before – and he behaved disrespectfully towards the staff. Should you inform the airline? Why (not)?

Dilemma 2

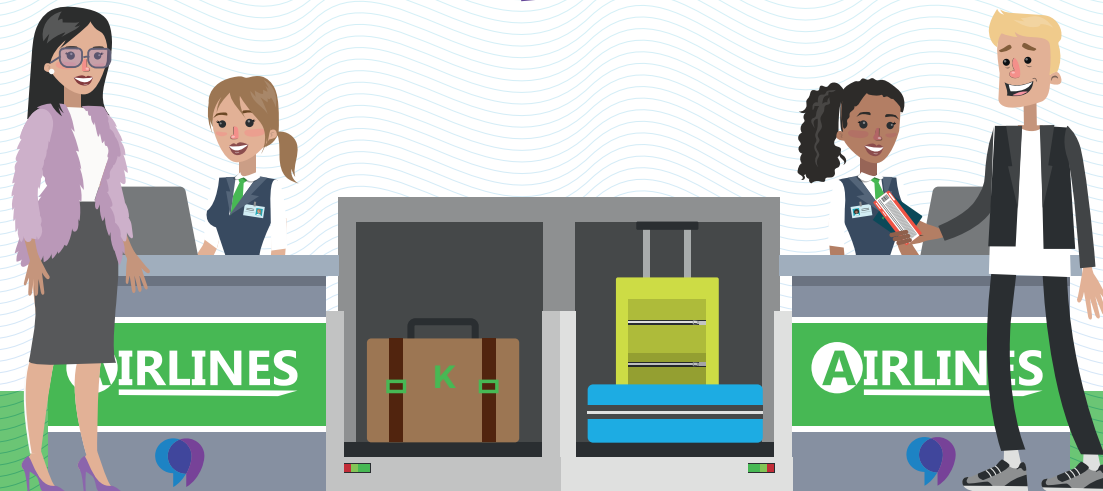
At the check-in desk you are greeted by someone on their first day on the job, with their supervisor. He allocates a seat with extra legroom to you. You think this is a mistake. Should you bring this up, or may it embarrass them?

Dilemma 3

Someone is snoring loudly on the flight – it's disturbing everyone and preventing them from sleeping. Should you tell someone or even tell the steward to wake them up?

Dilemma 4

In your family there is a constant debate when it comes to travel: some members insist that they should arrive early for the flight, whilst others are more laid-back and want to turn up last-minute. Your little brother is getting stressed. Should you tell off your family? How would you solve the situation?



SECURITY CHECK

In Heathrow Airport, approximately 128,178 people pass through security checks each day. At Clean Speech airport words are checked before departing our mouths - after all they could harm people!

Which airport has more traffic?

HEATHROW or **CLEAN SPEECH AIRPORT**

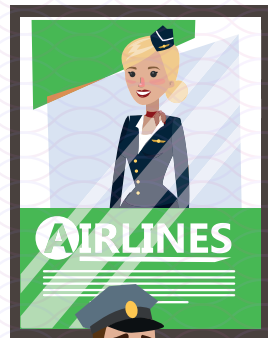
(Circle which one you think requires more security checks)

Well, let's see...

Stage 1: Pick a random topic to talk about

Stage 2: On that given topic, how many words can you say in 20 seconds?

Stage 3: On your marks, get set... GO!



Answer: Wow - and that was only 20 seconds!
Times this by three that makes your average words per minute:

words/min

(PS/Did you know: an auctioneer speaks approximately 250-400 words per minute)

If you think that is a lot, then think about all other types of communication that also needs checking before being allowed to depart...

Can you guess, across the entire world...

How many SMS text messages are sent daily?

How many Whatsapp messages are sent daily?

How many Emails are sent daily?

(answers at the bottom!)

No wonder security checks take so long! Help us speed up the process and make sure you use Self Check-In Security.

AIRPORT TERMINAL

You hear an announcement:
'ALL PASSENGERS PLEASE BEWARE OF NEGATIVE SPEECH'
Spot all the negative words in the picture
There are at least 15!



ON THE PLANE

You take your seat and the person next to you keeps bad-mouthing other people. Unsure what to do, you lean forward and pull out the 'emergency manual'.

ACTIVITY
oh no! the exit manual used to escape bad conversations is incomplete, fill it in yourselves.

EMERGENCY EXIT MANUAL

How to avoid a bad-mouthing neighbour

Make sure that...

Always remember...

ATTENTION

Here are three ways to exit a negative conversation:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.



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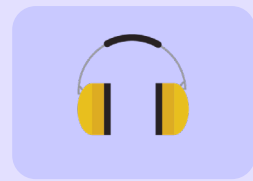
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SAFETY BRIEFING

As you watch the safety briefing, you realise how much can be said through body language. You decide to practice with your family.

This will come in useful when needing to communicate without waking someone up on the flight.

ACTIVITY
Have a conversation about your day in school without using words.





PILOT ANNOUNCEMENT



'This is your captain speaking, there is a Jewish prayer for going on a journey called Tefillat Haderech. There is also a prayer to avoid negative speech which you will find on your screen'

PRAYER

Please say this prayer with your child

HEBREW

רבונו של עולם, יהי רצון מלפניך, קל רחום וחנון,
שתזכני היום ובכל יום לשמור פי ולשוני מלשון-הרע
ורכילות ומקבלתם. ואזהר מלדבר אפלו על איש יחיד,
וכל שכן מלדבר על כלל ישראל או על חלק מהם.
וכל שכן מלהתרעם על מדותיו של הקדוש-ברוך-הוא.
ואזהר מלדבר דברי שקר, חנפה, לצנות, מחלקת, פעס,
גאווה, אונאת-דברים, הלבנת-פנים, וכל דברים אסורים.

DISCUSSION

We don't have prayers asking Hashem to assist us to eat kosher, fast on Yom Kippur or celebrate Pesach - why do we have a prayer for guarding our speech?



ENGLISH

Master of The Universe, help me to guard my mouth and tongue from speaking and accepting Lashon HaRah and gossip. Save me from speaking badly against an individual person or any group... I shall try my best to refrain from speaking words of lies, flattery, mockery, anger, showing off, words that create hurt, embarrassment, arguments and all forbidden words.



PASSPORT CONTROL



As you queue for passport control, you get frustrated at the long time it's taking.

You're thinking of saying... But, you realise that the response might be...



So instead you say...

and he would probably reply...



When you finally arrive at passport control, you notice the border force officer is schmoozing with his friend.

You're thinking of saying... But, you realise that the response might be...



So instead you say...

and he would probably reply...



BAGGAGE RECLAIM


As you arrive at Positive Speech Airport you are blown away by all the positivity. Spot all the positive words in the picture. There are at least 15!




CUSTOMS

As you walk towards customs, one of the officers approach you saying they suspect you may be trying to smuggle in some negative words.

They point to the label of one of your bags.

 **Customs enquiries**
Words to declare

 **Customs**
No words to declare

NEGATIVE

No nicknames allowed because...

- i. It's embarrassing
- ii. It's disrespectful
- iii. It can ruin reputation
- iv. It creates a habit of speaking badly



DISCUSSION

Using the sources below, work out if the 'Lanky Larry' label is actually a problem.

Tur Choshen Mishpat Hilchos Ona'ah, 228:4

ויזהר אדם מלכנות שם לחבירו כדי לביישו אפילו שהוא רגיל באותו כינוי כיון שכוונתו לביישו.

Do not embarrass someone by calling them a nickname.

Rambam, Hilchos Teshuva 3:14

ויש עבירות קלות מאלו ואעפ"כ אמרו חכמים שהרגיל בהן אין להם חלק לעוה"ב וכדאי הן להתרחק מהן ולהזהר בהן, ואלו הן: המכנה שם לחבירו והקורא לחבירו בכינויו והמלבין פני חבירו ברבים והמתכבד בקלון חבירו.

There are some things we must be very careful to avoid: creating a nickname, calling someone a nickname, embarrassing someone in public and belittling others for your own gain.

Kesef Mishnah Commentary Hilchos Teshuva 3:14

נראה מדבריו דאי דש ביה בשמיה וזה אינו מתכוין להכלימו דשרי ובוהן לבבות הוא יודע.

It appears to me that if a) a person is accustomed to being called by a certain nickname, and b) there is no negative intent, then it is halachically permitted. But Hashem knows our true intentions!





WELCOME HOME



Well done for completing your journey from negative to positive speech!

For more Clean Speech Project resources see www.cleanspeech.co.uk
- and don't forget to sign up to the 30 daily videos!

ACTIVITY

Look back over the booklet. On each spread there is a hidden letter to find. Can you find them and work out the anagram?

HERE IS YOUR TAKE HOME CHALLENGE

Every day, for the next 30 days make sure to give:
one compliment/thank you to;

YOUR FAMILY A FRIEND A TEACHER

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