General Speaking, Lesson Plan 2

Part 2.1

**You will hear part of a tutorial with a teacher. Listen and then you will have 40 seconds to summarise the key points for a classmate who can’t attend today.**

**You can take notes while you listen. Please speak for all the time you have.**

**Teacher**: OK, listen up everyone. Time is moving on and the end of the course is not far away so this week, I want you to start thinking about the research project which we’ve talked about. Your projects have to focus on an aspect of daily life in the city that you find interesting, or which you think deserves attention in some way, other than that it’s really up to you, so you have plenty of topics to choose from.

Remember, it’s very important that you don’t try to be too ambitious with these projects. You only have a very limited number of words and just four weeks to complete the project. I want you to especially concentrate on demonstrating the research skills that we’ve been talking about this year and to produce a high-quality piece of work.

In my experience, I’ve always found in the past that the best projects have a very clearly defined, specific aim which they address clearly and thoroughly, and which leave the audience in no doubt as to what it is you are trying to achieve.

Your writing should then lead your reader through your thought process in logical steps towards your conclusion rather than rambling on here and there, trying to solve the problems of the world in just a few thousand words, ok? Now, if you are not sure about what might make a good topic for your project, I suggest that you have a chat with your classmates to try out some ideas…