

Unit 2: Relationships

Writing: Teen Forum

Structure of an online posting:

1. Title of the posting
2. The writer's name
3. Date and time
4. The writer's mood
5. Description of the incident
6. The writer's opinion/feelings about the incident
7. The writer's wish for things to be different

Write an online posting, choose 1 of 3 topics below.

Topic 1	Story	parents work late on weekdays and most weekends; alone at home with housemaid or tutor; feel lonely
	Wish	parents to spend more time with you
Topic 2	Story	best friend dropped out of school and started working; her/his parents can't support her/him; missing your friend at school
	Wish	help your friend to continue her/his education
Topic 3	Story	friend confided a secret to you; you failed to keep it secret; told to other people; friend broke up with you; tried to apologize; you apology not accepted; feeling regretful
	Wish	friend to forgive you; become friends again

Sample online posting:

Re: **[Title]**

By **[your name]** >> **[Date & Time]**

Current mood: I'm so **[your feeling]**!

Description of the incident

The writer's opinion/feelings about the incident

The writer's wish for things to be different

Useful conjunctions:

<p>ADDING</p> <p>and as well as moreover furthermore in addition too on top of that another point is</p>	<p>SEQUENCING</p> <p>first, firstly, first of all second, secondly.. third next meanwhile now subsequently</p>	<p>ILLUSTRATING</p> <p>for example such as for instance in the case of as shown by illustrated by take... one example is..</p>
<p>COMPARING</p> <p>similarly likewise as with like equally in the same way</p>	<p>QUALIFYING</p> <p>but however although unless except apart from as long as if</p>	<p>CONTRASTING</p> <p>whereas alternatively unlike on the other hand conversely having said that nevertheless however</p>
<p>CAUSE AND EFFECT</p> <p>because because of as a result of consequently therefore thus owing to due to</p>	<p>SUMMARY</p> <p>in short on the whole in other words on the whole overall generally in general in brief</p>	<p>EMPHASIZING</p> <p>above all in particular especially significantly indeed notably</p>