



## Life skills

### Presentation skills

**FACT!**

Approximately 75% of people suffer from a fear of public speaking, so it's perfectly normal to be nervous before a presentation.

- 1 Read Sam's presentation. Put topics a–e below in the order they appear.
  - a) Malala risked her life for speaking out
  - b) Malala's public speaking
  - c) Sam's suggestion of a person for this role
  - d) Sam's summary and conclusion
  - e) Why education is important for everyone

Sam giving his presentation



### Proposal: Global Ambassador for Young People

*I am speaking here today to suggest a name for the role of Global Ambassador for Young People. The person who I would like to propose the activist is Malala Yousafzai, and there are three reasons for my choice.*

*First of all, Malala has helped to tell the world about the importance of education. In the past, children didn't use to have a right to education, and there are many places in the world where children, especially girls, still don't. This must change. The future of our planet depends on the education of its citizens.*

*Secondly, Malala knows how to inspire people. She is a brilliant public speaker – she has spoken in favour of education at many international meetings, including the United Nations. She has also received many awards, including the Nobel Peace Prize.*



*“One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world.”*

*Malala Yousafzai*

*Last but not least, Malala put her own life in great danger to promote education. At the age of 11, she used to blog about girls' education rights in her home country of Pakistan. When Malala was 15, someone tried to assassinate her, but she survived. She continued to speak out for her beliefs, and now she's studying at Oxford University!*

*That is why I think Malala should be our Global Ambassador – she is an example to us all!*

- 2 **Words in context** Find these words in the article. What do they mean?

propose citizens  
awards survived

- 3 Read the presentation again and answer the questions.

- 1 Do all children have a right to education now?
- 2 How has Malala helped to tell the world about the importance of education?
- 3 Has Malala been successful?

- 4 Propose someone for the role of Global Ambassador for Young People. Follow the steps below.

#### PRESENTING IN FIVE SIMPLE STEPS

- STEP 1: Choose the person, find information and make notes.
- STEP 2: Decide on your main points. Not too many – three is a good number.
- STEP 3: Prepare your presentation. Keep it simple: introduction, main points and conclusion. Use **these** phrases from the text:
- STEP 4: Underline the key words and phrases.
- STEP 5: Practise giving your presentation. Don't speak too fast, and put emphasis on the important information.