

1. MONOLOGUE

PIRMOJO POROS KANDIDATO

Time: 3–4 minutes

Topic: **Leadership & Cooperation**

Task: Read the quotation and answer the questions below.

“You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don’t play together, the club won’t be worth a dime.”

- Babe Ruth, American professional baseball player

- What is your reaction to the content of the statement? Justify your answer by explaining why.
 - Why does a lack of cooperation reduce a team’s chances of success, and how might this idea affect both a team’s performance and motivation?
 - How can teamwork be improved in a group of strong individuals, and why would these ideas lead to better results?
- ❖ *Additional question: Would you agree that leadership begins with listening? Why or why not?*

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ANTROJO POROS KANDIDATO

Time: 3–4 minutes*Topic:* **Friendship & Personal Growth***Task:* Read the quotation and answer the questions below.

“Don’t make friends who are comfortable to be with; make friends who will force you to lever yourself up.”

- Thomas J. Watson, IBM founder

- What is your reaction to the content of the statement? Justify your answer by explaining why.
 - Why do people often choose friendships that feel easy and familiar, and what effects might such friendships have on a person’s ambitions and development?
 - How can friendships influence a young person’s goals, motivation, and future success, and what determines whether their influence is beneficial?
- ❖ *Additional question: Can friendships that constantly challenge you sometimes become unhealthy or damaging? Why or why not?*

2. DIALOGUE

KANDIDATŲ POROS

Time: 4–5 minutes*Topic:* **Studying: Memorising Information or Learning How to Think?**

Situation: Together with your partner, you are taking part in a creative lab for young content creators. You are working to prepare an educational podcast that addresses the topic above and why it is relevant to your generation. The podcast should last ten minutes and offer practical and convincing advice.

Task: In your discussion, exchange the following information:

- consider why the topic matters,
- explore **both** perspectives on the topic,
- agree on at least one piece of advice young people could follow, and justify why this advice would be helpful.

Candidate 1 starts the conversation.