Sustainability Reporting and ESG Strategy

1. Role-Play Dialogue Text (Approximately 10 minutes)

Characters:

- CSR Manager
- Finance Manager

Scenario: A CSR Manager and a Finance Manager discuss their company's ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) performance and how improving it could attract ethical investors.

CSR Manager: Thank you for joining this meeting. We need to review our sustainability report and identify areas for improvement.

Finance Manager: I agree. If we improve our ESG performance, then we could attract more ethical investors. Many funds prioritize sustainability now.

CSR Manager: Exactly. Our environmental policies are relatively strong, but we could enhance our social and governance efforts. Have you seen the latest ESG ratings?

Finance Manager: Yes, and while our environmental impact is well-rated, our social responsibility scores are average. If we implement stronger community engagement programs, we might improve those ratings.

CSR Manager: That's a good point. Additionally, we should ensure greater transparency in corporate governance. Investors are increasingly focusing on ethical leadership.

Finance Manager: I agree. If we establish more independent board oversight, we will strengthen our governance framework. Do we have any immediate actions we can take?

CSR Manager: We could start by publishing a more detailed ESG report and setting clearer targets. If we communicate our goals effectively, stakeholders will see our commitment.

Finance Manager: That sounds like a solid plan. I will coordinate with our investor relations team to align our financial reports with our ESG disclosures.

CSR Manager: Great. Let's finalize these action items and schedule a follow-up in two weeks.

Finance Manager: Agreed. I'll prepare the necessary documentation. Thanks for your time.

2. Comprehension Questions and Sample Answers (Approximately 5 minutes)

1. Why is the company reviewing its ESG performance?

Sample Answer: The company is reviewing its ESG performance to attract ethical investors and improve its sustainability ratings.

- 2. What aspect of ESG does the Finance Manager suggest improving? Sample Answer: The Finance Manager suggests improving the company's social responsibility scores by implementing stronger community engagement programs.
- **3. How does the CSR Manager propose enhancing corporate governance?** *Sample Answer:* The CSR Manager proposes establishing more independent board oversight to strengthen the governance framework.
- 4. What action does the team agree to take immediately?

Sample Answer: The team agrees to publish a more detailed ESG report and set clearer sustainability targets.

3. Teacher's Lesson Points (Concise Version)

Pre-Class Preparation:

- Review the dialogue, key vocabulary, and grammar points (modal verbs and conditionals).
- Be ready to explain additional details related to ESG and ethical investment.

Introduction (2-3 minutes):

- Start with a brief discussion: "Why is ESG important for companies today?"
- Introduce the lesson objectives: vocabulary, conditionals, and modal verbs related to ESG strategy.

Reading & Analysis (10 minutes):

- Have the student read the dialogue aloud.
- Emphasize pronunciation, intonation, and natural flow.
- Pause to highlight key grammar points (e.g., conditional sentences: "If we improve our ESG performance, then we could attract ethical investors").

Comprehension Check (5 minutes):

- Ask comprehension questions and provide immediate feedback.
- Encourage students to use full sentences in their responses.

Role-Play Practice (Remaining Time):

- Conduct a role-play session with the teacher as one of the characters.
- Encourage students to use target vocabulary and grammar structures in their responses.

Wrap-Up (2-3 minutes):

Summarize key vocabulary and grammar points.

•	Assign homework: "Prepare a short proposal outlining three ways your company could improve its ESG strategy."