

The Avanti PRE Curriculum

Exercise Sheet 7.4.5c

“Specifications for Speaking Project” (Group Work)

Brief for Exercise Week Six

You may give a presentation by answering the following four questions. You only need short answers, so that you speak for about 4-5 minutes in all. So answer each question, or part of a question, in no more than two sentences. Please write your answers neatly in your exercise book.

1. When we studied the avatars, we learned that an effective teacher does three things:

- (a) Rewards those who show good behaviour
- (b) Punishes or discourages poor behaviour
- (c) Teaches in two ways: (i) through instruction (speaking)
(ii) by setting a good example

Which do you think is most important and why?

2. Choose one teacher from the following list:

- (i) Lord Chaitanya
- (ii) Srila Prabhupada
- (iii) The Dalai Lama
- (iv) Someone else (only if you are from another religion or are not religious)

- Now:
- (a) Explain in your own words one of his/her teachings
 - (b) Lets us know how much - or in ways – it might be relevant today
 - (c) Lets us know if you agree or disagree with it, and why.

3. For the same teacher you have chosen, please let us know:

- (a) What special quality (or value) do you think that teacher has?
- (b) How does he/she show it?
- (c) Which of these do you think is most important? Why?

4. If you become a teacher or leader

- (a) What would be your most important teaching? *(Just one or two sentences)*
- (b) Which quality (value or virtue) would you like or need to develop? Why?
(List the value/virtue and explain why in just one or two sentences)

Thank you! Please also remember you only have 4-5 minutes to speak.