

Revision Guide: Module 2 - We Learn to Give, Share and Care

1. Key Concepts & Vocabulary: Philanthropy

Philanthropy represents unselfish concern for or devotion to the welfare of others. Essential related terms include:

- **Altruism:** Unselfish concern for or devotion to the welfare of others.
- **Activism:** Vigorous action or involvement as a means of achieving a goal.
- **Voluntarism:** Volunteering time or talents for community activities.
- **Charity:** Generous actions or donations to aid the poor, ill, or helpless.
- **Endowment:** Providing a permanent fund or source of income for institutions.
- **Self-sacrifice:** Giving up one's own interests or desires for the good of another.

2. Essential Grammar: Present Perfect vs. Simple Past

A. Present Perfect Tense

Form: have/has + past participle

Usage:

- For actions/situations that started in the past and continue up to the present.
- For repeated actions in a period leading up to the now.
- To state an action has just been completed or highlight its result.
- Common time markers: *up to now, all this year, so far, recently, lately, already, just, ever, never, yet, since, for*.

B. Simple Past Tense

Form: verb + -ed (or irregular past form)

Usage:

- To talk about completed actions, quick events, and historical facts.
- Used with specific past time periods (e.g., *last week, yesterday, in 1968*).
- Used in conditional clauses after words like *if, suppose, wish, it's time*.

3. Speaking & Speech Writing Framework

Structure of a Persuasive Speech

- **Introduction:** Greet the audience, grab attention (use a question, statistic, anecdote, or quote), and introduce the core mission.

- **Body:** Explain achievements, target beneficiaries, where funds come from, and why support is urgently needed.
- **Conclusion:** Urge the audience for contributions and emphasize the human values behind giving.

4. Writing Strategies & Cohesive Devices

When writing a biography or formal text (such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s timeline or a structured article), use appropriate transition words to maintain internal logic:

- **Ordering points:** *firstly, secondly, thirdly, finally, first of all, to begin with, in the first place.*
- **Adding arguments:** *moreover, in addition, similarly, as well as that, on top of that, besides.*
- **Sequencing time:** *earlier, later, before that, after that.*