

## EIKEN PRE 1<sup>st</sup> SPEAKING LESSON 17

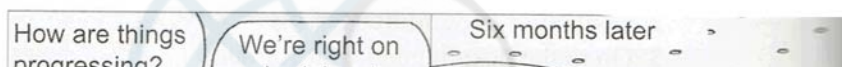
You have **one minute** to prepare.

This is a story about a mayor whose town was chosen to host an international basketball tournament.

You have **two minutes** to narrate the story.

Your story should begin with the following sentence.

**One day, the mayor visited the construction site of the new basketball arena.**



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- No. 1** Please look at the fourth picture. If you were at the meeting, what would you have thought of the suggestion?
- No. 2** Do you think that hosting the basketball tournament was a good idea?
- No. 3** Should political leaders always do what the public wants?
- No. 4** Do you think professional athletes make good role models?

*One day, the mayor visited the construction site of the new basketball arena. He wanted to check how things were progressing. A site worker told the mayor that they were right on schedule. Six months later, the mayor was seated in the newly built arena watching a game at the basketball tournament. The arena was full of fans, so the mayor looked very pleased. However, a year later, things were different. On the wall of the mayor's office was a schedule of events for august, but only one event was planned. The mayor pointed to the schedule and asked his assistant if that was the only upcoming event. She looked disappointed and nodded. At the next staff meeting, the mayor made some suggestions on how to make better use of the arena. He suggested it could be used for weddings, flea markets, or dance lessons. The mayor then asked everyone what they thought of his*

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*think. I believe this is what democracy means.*

**No. 4** *Yes, I think so. I've read about famous baseball players who visit schools and hospitals and do lots of work for charity.*