

CHAPTER 5

5 FULL SPEAKING TESTS

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Preliminary Speaking Test: (11-14 minutes)

PART 1 – Introduction and Interview (4-5 minutes)

In this part of the examination you will be asked questions about yourself and familiar topics.

EXAMPLE: Family

- Do you have a large family or a small family?
- Can you tell me something about them?
- Who is nearest to you?
- How much time do you manage to spend with members of your family?
- What sorts of things do you like to do together?
- Do you get on well with your family?

PART 2 - Individual long turn (3-4 minutes)

Describe a teacher who has influenced you in your education.

You should say:

- where you met them
- what subject they taught
- what was special about them
- and explain why this person influenced you so much.

You will have to talk about the topic for one to two minutes. You have one minute to think about what you're going to say. You can make some notes to help you if you wish.

NOTES:

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PART 3 - Two-way discussion (4-5 minutes)

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Discussion Topics: Developments in education

Example questions:

- How has education changed in your country in the last 10 years?
- What changes do you foresee in the next 50 years?
- How do the expectations of today's school leavers compare with those of the previous generation?
- What role do you think extracurricular activities play in education?

Discussion Topics:

Different styles/methods of teaching and learning:

Example questions:

- What method of learning works best for you?
- How beneficial do you think it is to group students according to their level of ability?



Speaking Test 1

- (11-14 minutes)

Part 1 – Introduction and Interview (4-5 minutes)

In this part of the examination you will be asked questions about yourself and familiar topics.

EXAMPLE: TV

- What is your name?
- Where do you come from?
- Tell me about TV in your country.
- Do you watch a lot of TV?
- What is your favourite programme?
- Is television more important to you now than in the past?

PART 2 Individual long turn (3-4 minutes)

Describe an activity such as a hobby or sport you like doing

You should say:

- what the activity is.
- when you started doing it
- what you like about the activity
- and explain why this activity is important for you.

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Discussion Topic: Purpose of skills in the modern world

Example questions:

- What do you think are the most important skills for children to learn in the modern world? Why?
- Which skills do you think children should learn at school and which at home? Why?
- Do you think future generations will need to acquire new skills? What kind?

Discussion Topic: Skills and work

Example questions:

- What role do you think skills play in the modern work place?
- Do you think the skills that people need nowadays have changed compared to the past? Why? Why not?
- What do you think has brought about these changes?

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In this part of the examination you will be asked questions about yourself and familiar topics.

EXAMPLE: Bicycles

- What is your name?
- Where do you come from?
- Tell me about the use of bicycles in your country.
- How popular are bicycles in your country?
- Are they used more now than in the past? Why? Why not?
- What do bicycles mean to you?

PART 2 Individual long turn (3-4 minutes)

Describe a well-known person from the world of sport (or films) that you would like to meet.

You should say:

- who this person is
- why this person is well-known
- and explain why you would like to meet this person

You will have to talk about this topic for one to two minutes. You have one minute to think about what you are going to say. You can make some notes to help you if you wish.

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Discussion Topic: Role models in the sports world

Example questions:

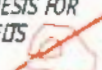
- Do sportsmen and women make good role models for young people? Why? Why not?
- Are we too concerned with the sports stars rather than the sports themselves?
- Why do you think sports stars are paid so much? Is this justified? Why? Why not?

Discussion Topic: Job changes

Example questions:

- Do you think people are happy to stay in the same job for a long time these days?
- What types of jobs are popular these days? Why?
- Which jobs do you think will be popular in the future? Why?

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Part 1 – Introduction and Interview (4-5 minutes)

The examiner will ask you about yourself, and topics which are familiar to you.

EXAMPLE: *Places in your hometown*

- Can you tell me your name?
- Where do you come from?
- Describe the place where you were born.
- Tell me about the main types of buildings there.
- How easy is it to get to?
- How have the buildings in your hometown changed since you were a child?

PART 2 Individual long turn (3-4 minutes)

Describe your favourite possession.

You should say:

- what this is
- when you obtained it
- what you like about it
- and explain why this item is important for you.

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Discussion Topic: The main products that are made in your country

Example questions:

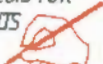
- What kinds of products are manufactured in your home country?
- How important are they for the local or national economy?
- Is manufacturing more important in your home country now than it was in the past? In what way?

Discussion Topic: Commercialism in your country

Example questions:

- What are the advantages of manufacturing consumer goods in your own country?
- Have we become too obsessed nowadays with owning the latest products? Why? Why not?
- What do you think are the effects of commercialism on people?

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PART 1 *Introduction and interview (4-5 minutes)*

In this part of the examination you will be asked questions about yourself and familiar topics.

EXAMPLE – Animals:

- What's your name?
- Where do you come from?
- What's your favourite animal? Why?
- Do you like the same animal now as you did when you were younger?
- What can you learn about a person from the animals they like?
- Which animals are popular as pets in your country?

PART 2 *Individual long turn (3-4 minutes)*

Describe a special occasion for which you arrived late.

You should say:

- what occasion you were late for
- when it happened
- how you felt
- and explain why you were late

You will have to talk about this topic for one to two minutes. You have one minute to think about what you are going to say. You can make some notes to help you if you wish.

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Discussion Topic: Punctuality

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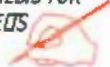
- Do you think it is important to be punctual for appointments? Why? Why not?
- What do you think about people who are always late?
- Normally how do people make excuses when they are late?

Discussion Topic: The effects of Technology

Example questions:

- Do you think modern technology has made people lazy?
- What do you think about modern technology for young people/old people?
- How has modern technology changed people's lives for the better?

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- 1- هذا الكتاب لا يقدم إجابات نموذجية للاختبارات الشفهية السابقة وذلك نظراً لطبيعة تعدد الإجابات الصحيحة وتنوعها، فالإجابة تختلف من فرد لآخر ومن موضوع لآخر وليس هناك إجابة واحدة صحيحة، ولكننا نقدم النصائح التالية.
- 2- تجنب كثرة التوقف أو التلعثم أثناء الكلام.
- 3- تجنب سؤال الممتحن عما يقصد أو طلب إعادة السؤال مرة أخرى.
- 4- إن لم تفهم السؤال قل للممتحن: "هل تقصد" بدلاً من أن تقول "لم أفهم ما قلت" أو "أعد ما قلت". على أن ذلك لا يكون إلا في حالة الاضطرار القصوى، لأنه من الأفضل لك أن تجيب على سؤال خطأ فيفهم الممتحن أنك لم تسمعه جيداً أو لم تفهمه جيداً على أن تعلن أنك لم تفهم، أو تكرر ذلك عدة مرات !!
- 5- لا ترتبك واستفد من الميزات المقدمة لك كأن تكتب نقاطاً سريعة خلال الدقيقة الممنوحة لك في الجزء الثاني من الاختبار الشفهي، فهذه النقاط تساعدك على الانتقال من جزئية إلى أخرى بسلامة وتلقائية. لكن تجنب كتابة نص كامل والقراءة منه، فهذا طريق مضمون لعدم التركيز وخسارة الدرجات.

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