
IELTS

Speaking Test 1

(11-14 minutes)

Part 2

(3-4 minutes)

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You will be given a card which asks you to talk about a particular topic. You will have one minute to prepare before speaking for up to two minutes. The examiner will then ask one or two questions on the same topic

Part 2

Examiner: Now, I'm going to give you a topic and I'd like you to talk about it for one to two minutes. Before you talk, you'll have one minute to think about what you're going to say. You can make notes if you wish. Do you understand?

Candidate: Yes, I do.

Examiner: Here's some paper and a pencil for making notes and here's your topic. I'd like you to describe a special gift or present you gave to someone.

(1 minute for preparation)

Describe a gift that you have recently given to someone.

You should say:

- what the gift was
- when, where and why you got it
- who you gave it to and on what occasion
- what their reaction was

You will have to talk about the topic for 1 to 2 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.

Part 2

Examiner: Alright. Remember you have one to two minutes for this, so don't worry if I stop you. I'll tell you when the time is up. Can you start speaking now, please?

Candidate: Ok, the last gift I remember giving to someone was a bracelet, a necklace and a pair of earrings that I gave to my mother on her birthday. My mum likes jewellery, so I thought it would be a perfect gift for her. Some three weeks before her birthday I went to a jewellery shop in the centre of my town and saw these amber earrings in silver and I thought she'd love them. They were really unusual and I knew she didn't have anything similar. The shop assistant showed me an amber necklace and a bracelet as well and said that they were part of a set. It was a little bit expensive, but I thought that my mum would really like them so I bought them. And I was right: she thought they were absolutely beautiful! Of course she said I shouldn't have spent all this money, but I thought it was worth it because she looked extremely happy.

Part 2

Examiner: Do you enjoy giving gifts?

Candidate: Yes, I do. I think I prefer it to receiving gifts, but it's not always easy to find something that a person would really like. If you want them to like it, you have to spend a little bit of time thinking about what they'd like to get or what they need, so going to a shop and just buying anything is not a good idea.

Examiner: Thank you. Can I have the booklet and the paper and pencil back please?

Candidate: Sure.
