Example IELTS Speaking Questions & Topics : Part 1



Hometown

I'd just like to ask you some questions about your hometown or city.

- 1. What type of place is it?
- 2. What was it like growing up there?
- 3. Has it changed much since you were a child?

Studies

I'd just like to ask you some questions about your studies.

- 1. What are you studying?
- 2. Why did you choose that particular course?
- 3. What job would you like when you have completed all your studies?



I'd just like to ask you some questions about your work.

- 1. What work do you do?
- 2. What do you enjoy most about your work?
- 3. What are your main duties?
- 4. Is there any other work you would like to do in the future?

Free Time

I'd like to move on and ask you some questions about your free time

- 1. What type of activities do you like to do in your free time?
- 2. How long have you been interested in these activities?
- 3. Do you like to do theses activities alone or with other people? (Why)?
- 4. Do you think people have enough free time? (Why/why not)?



Family

I'd like to move on and ask you some questions about your family.

- 1. How many people are there in your family?
- 2. Do you all live in the same house? (Why/why not)?
- 3. What things do you like doing together?
- 4. Who is your favourite family member?

Timing

Let's move on and talk about being on time for appointments.

- 1. Is being late acceptable in your culture? (Why/why not)?
- 2. Are you ever late for appointments? (Why/why not)?
- 3. What type of excuses do you think are alright for lateness?
- 4. How do you feel when someone is late for an appointment with you?

Neighbours

Let's change the topic and talk about your neighbours

- 1. Do you know the people who live next door to you?
- 2. How often do you see each other?
- 3. What kind of relationship do you have?
- 4. How can neighbours be helpful?
- 5. What kind of problems can people have with their neighbours in a big city?

Food

Moving to a new topic, I'd like to discuss cooking and meals with you.

- 1. Do you enjoy cooking? (Why/why not)?
- 2. What type of things can you cook? (Why)?
- 3. What kinds of food are popular in your country?
- 4. Is it an important part of your culture to have dinner parties? (Why)?
- 5. Do you prefer to eat with other people or on your own? (Why)?

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Dreams

I'd now like to discuss your night time dreams with you.

- 1. Do you dream much at night?
- 2. Do you often remember your dreams?
- 3. Do you think we can learn anything from dreams? (Why)?
- 4. Do people in your country talk about their dreams? (Why)?
- 5. Do you think that dreams can come true?

Magazines and Newspapers

Okay, let's move to a different topic and discuss magazines and newspapers.

- 1. Which do you prefer reading, newspapers or magazines? (Why)?
- 2. What type of stories do you like to read about? (Why)?
- 3. Do you think reading a magazine or a newspaper can help you learn a language? (Why)?
- 4. Why do you think some people prefer magazines to newspapers?

Humour

Let's change the topic and talk about comedy and humour.

- 1. What type of programmes do you find funny on TV?
- 2. Which types of programmes are most popular in your country? (Why)?
- 3. What kind of things make you laugh? (Why)?
- 4. Do you like to make people laugh? (How)?
- 5. Do you think it is important to have a sense of humour? (Why)?

The English Gym