



OXFORD TEST OF ENGLISH

A2 Practice Test 2

Audioscript

Speaking Part 1 Interview Page 3

▶1.01

You are going to answer eight questions. You have 10 seconds per question for questions 1 and 2, and 20 seconds per question for questions 3–8. Start speaking when you hear the tone. Try to speak for the full amount of time.

- 1 What's your name?
- 2 Which country do you come from?
- 3 I'm going to ask you some questions about holidays. Tell me about a holiday you have been on.
- 4 Do you prefer going on holiday with your friends or with your family?
- 5 If you could go on holiday anywhere in the world, where would you go?
- 6 I'm going to ask you some questions about your local area. Tell me about the area where you live.
- 7 How often do you speak to your neighbours?
- 8 Would you prefer to live in a busy city or a quiet village?

Speaking Part 2 Voice message 1 Page 3

▶1.02

You are going to leave a voice message. First read and listen to the task, then decide what you want to say. You have 40 seconds to leave your voice message. Start speaking when you hear the tone.

You ordered some food to be delivered from a restaurant. You want to complain about your food delivery. Leave a voice message for the restaurant manager. In your message, you should:

- explain who you are
- describe what was wrong with the food
- say what you want the manager to do.

You now have 20 seconds to think about what you want to say.

Speaking Part 2 Voice message 2 Page 3

▶1.03

You are going to reply to a voice message. First read and listen to the task, then decide what you want to say. You have 40 seconds to leave your voice message. Start speaking when you hear the tone.

Listen to the message from your friend about choosing a place to live while at university. Then, leave a voice message for your friend. In your message, you should:

- respond to your friend's news
- ask some questions about the different places
- say what you think your friend should do.

Now listen to the message.

M Hi, it's Jo. How are you? Guess what? I'm going to be studying at the same university as you! But I need to decide where to live – in the centre of the town or in a village nearby. What do you think I should do?

You now have 20 seconds to think about what you want to say.

Speaking Part 3 Talk Page 4

▶1.04

You are going to give a talk. Read and listen to the task. You have 60 seconds to give your talk. Start speaking when you hear the tone.

You are going to give a talk to your English class about different leisure activities to do on holiday. Choose two photographs. Tell your class why these two activities are good to do on holiday.

You now have 30 seconds to think about what you want to say.

Speaking Part 4 Follow-up questions Page 4

▶1.05

You are going to answer six questions about your talk. You have 30 seconds to answer each question. Start speaking when you hear the tone.

- 1 Your talk was about leisure activities. Tell me about a leisure activity you enjoy.
- 2 What is the best thing people can do with their free time?
- 3 What are the advantages of having a hobby?
- 4 Do you think people should work less?
- 5 Some people think it's important to make time to play team sports. What do you think?
- 6 Some people say extreme sports should not be allowed. Do you agree?

Listening Part 1 Page 5

▶2.01

1 A man is talking to his wife. Where is the man's phone?

M Oh no! I haven't got my phone with me!

F But you just called your sister from the cafe. I saw you taking it out of your bag.

M I know. Then I put it down on my chair while I was putting my jacket on.

F Well, let's go back quickly to see if it's still there.

Now listen again.

2 A boy and his friend are talking. Which sport is the boy going to do?

F Did you see the advert for the new sports centre?

M Yes, I did. They have lots of activities. There's a tennis area.

F And they have a climbing wall.

M That's what I booked for next weekend. I wanted to try the cycling track, but it's not ready yet.

Now listen again.

3 A woman is giving some information about a hotel. What do guests have to pay for?

F Hello, and welcome to Active Hotel. Here is some information about the hotel. The price of your stay here includes use of the swimming pool. The car park costs ten pounds per day, but hotel guests can get this money back at the reception desk. The gym is next to the pool, and you will need to buy a ticket for this.

Now listen again.

4 A man is giving information about student rooms. What must students bring with them?

M All students can apply for a room in their first year at university. Each bedroom contains a bed, a desk and a bookshelf. We do not provide pillows or bedclothes, so bring these with you. You can put posters and pictures on your walls if you wish. There is no fridge in the room, but you can use the one in the shared kitchen.

Now listen again.

5 A woman and her husband are making a plan. Where do they decide to go?

F We have two hours before our train leaves. What do you want to do? There's a nice park to walk around.

M I think it's going to rain. What about the museum? There's some interesting art there.

F A museum? Boring! And please don't say the castle.

M But I love castles.

F Exactly! I don't want to see another one! Let's go and look at the art.

M OK.

Now listen again.

Listening Part 2 Page 6

▶2.02

Listen to a man talking about a university open day. Choose the correct answers to complete the notes. The first one has been done for you. You now have 30 seconds to look at the task.

M Our next Open Day is on the 25th of April. There's another one before the end of the year on the 15th of May. For either day, please complete the form and return it before the 1st of April.

If possible, don't come in your car as there's always a lot of traffic. We recommend that you park outside the city and take the bus. You can also get the train into the city, but it's expensive.

When you arrive, go to the reception desk. Don't forget the email you received from us. It contains important information that we'll use to make an ID card for you. Our student helpers will give you a welcome pack, which includes a map of the university, so you can find your way around.

You probably know which subjects you're interested in, so go and visit those departments. You can listen to talks by teachers, and this is your chance to ask them any questions. Students wearing blue shirts will be there to guide you to your next stop.

Where will you live if you come here to study? Each student has their own room and they share a bathroom. These rooms cost £135 per week. We also offer rooms with their own bathroom for £150 per week. If you share a room with someone else, it costs £120.

After the Open Day, visit the beautiful city of Brumley. The museum is open from Monday to Friday. The art gallery is fantastic, and it opens every Saturday. And don't miss the historic castle, which is open every day except for Wednesday.

Now listen again.

Listening Part 3 Page 7

▶2.03

Listen to a man and a woman talking about their friends' new home. Match the people (the woman, the man, or both) to the opinions below. The first one has been done for you. You now have 30 seconds to look at the task.

F So, what did you think of John and Anna's new house?

M It's nice, but I don't think it's big enough.

F Because they're expecting a baby?

M That's what I mean.

F And they might have more children in the future, I suppose. They'll need more space then.

M It's great to have such a big garden though. The barbecue today was great fun.

F I don't know. The food was delicious, but I was cold and my feet got wet in the grass.

M Did you like the colours of the walls? I thought that green in the living room was awful.

F Actually, dark colours are my favourite. I prefer them to boring white or cream.

M I still think it was too expensive.

F Well, there's another house in the village which is very similar, and those people wanted much more money, so I think Anna and John got it for a good price.

M Would you like to live in a village like theirs?

F I like the idea of the peace and quiet but I might get bored. I mean, there's nothing to do, is there?

M I know what you mean. There are no cinemas or good restaurants to go to.

F Anna said that there's a good bus service into the city though. John uses it to get to work every day. It's fast and cheap.

M I find that buses are usually too crowded. Travelling by car is better.

Now listen again.

Listening Part 4 Page 8

▶2.04

1 A woman is talking to a friend about a wedding. What is the woman going to buy?

- A a hat
- B some shoes
- C a dress

M Are you getting something new for Sarah's wedding?

F I could wear that dress I bought for your party.

M How about buying a hat to go with it?

F That's not a bad idea. I might try and borrow one.

M Have you got shoes to match?

F Nothing comfortable.

M I'm going shopping. Why don't we take a look together?

F OK. That's really helpful.

Now listen again.

2 A woman is talking to a man. Who is the woman?

- A the man's neighbour
- B the man's wife
- C the man's colleague

F Thank you for taking the rubbish out. Those bags were so heavy! I wanted to ask you something else – if it's possible. I'm going to be away on a work trip next week. My company is opening another office in London and I need to be there. Could you water my plants while I'm away? I'll leave the key under the stone by the back door. Thanks so much.

Now listen again.

3 A man is leaving a voice message about a parcel. Why is the man leaving the message?

- A to explain where to leave it
- B to complain about the service
- C to check the time of day

M Hi. I'm calling about my parcel. I'm not sure when you're going to bring it – your text message says tomorrow morning, but your app says the afternoon. Anyway, it doesn't matter because both times are fine. Please tell your driver to leave the parcel in the garage next to the house. Last time he left it outside and it got wet in the rain!

Now listen again.

4 A young man is talking to a friend about university. How does he feel about his first year?

- A He often felt alone.
- B His teachers were unfriendly.
- C The lessons were uninteresting.

F How was your first year at university?

M Well, I didn't feel I was learning anything I didn't already know – we studied the same things at school last year. The teachers explain things well and they want to help us, but they should make the course harder. I worked on my own a lot. I can focus better when there aren't a lot of other students around.

Now listen again.

5 A brother and sister are in a bookshop. Which book do they choose for their grandmother?

A an art book

B a novel

C a cookbook

F This looks good. It's a story about two sisters living on an island.

M Interesting. Oh! Look! Indian recipes with photos showing you how to make each dish.

F She has lots of books like that already. This one's beautiful. It shows paintings from famous museums. It's perfect!

M Have you seen the price?

F Oh, dear.

M Let's go with your first choice. She likes reading fiction.

F Fine.

Now listen again.