**IELTS speaking topics – part 2**

This is a selection of sample cue cards for IELTS part 2 speaking.  To help you I have divided them into six topics you need to be able to speak about. Please note how some questions ask you to use either the present, future or past tenses.

1. people
2. places
3. objects
4. habits and likes (or present tense questions)
5. plans (or future aspect questions)
6. experiences (or past tense/present perfect questions)

You will find many more cue cards free to download on my [downloads page](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-downloads/).

**People**

**An adventurous person**

Describe an adventurous person who you know.

You should say:

* who the person is
* how you know this person
* what this person does that is adventurous

and explain why you think this person likes to take risks.

[lesson with sample answer and helpful vocabulary](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-speaking/an-adventurous-person-telling-a-story-to-describe-a-person/)

**A childhood friend**

Describe a friend you had when you were a child

You should say:

* how you first met
* how long you were friends
* what you used to do together

and explain why you liked this person.

**An old person**

Describe an old person you admire.

You should say:

* who this person is
* how long you have known him/her
* what qualities he/she has

and say why you admire him/her

**A good cook**

Describe someone you know who is good at cooking.

You should say:

* who this person is
* how you know him or her
* what kinds of food they cook

and explain why this person is good at cooking

**Places**

**A house or apartment**

Talk about a house or an apartment you would like to live in.

You should say

* what it would look like
* how big it would be
* where it would be located

And explain why you would like to live there

[see lesson for sample answer and helpful vocabulary](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-speaking/using-pictures-to-improve-your-long-turn-speaking/)

**Travel**

Describe a place that you would like to travel to.

You should say:

* where you would like to go
* how you would go there
* who you would go with

and explain why you would like to go to this place.

**A restaurant**

Describe a restaurant you know.

You should say:

* where this restaurant is
* what type of food the restaurant serves
* how often you go to this restaurant

and explain why you would recommend this restaurant.

**A hotel**

Describe a hotel you have stayed in.

You should say:

* where it is
* what facilities it has
* when you stayed there

and say whether you would recommend it to a friend

**A garden**

Describe a garden you remember visiting.

You should say:

* where it is
* what it looks like
* what people do there

and explain why you remember it.

**Objects**

**A magazine**

Describe a magazine you think is interesting

You should say:

* how you know about this magazine
* where you can buy it
* what it contains

and explain why you think this magazine is interesting.

**A photograph**

Describe a photograph that you remember.

You should say:

* when it was taken
* who took it
* what is in the photograph

and explain why you remember this photograph

**A letter**

Describe an important letter that you received.

You should say:

* who wrote it
* what the letter was about
* how you felt about the letter

and explain why it was important.

**Clothes**

Describe your favourite item of clothing.

You should say:

* what it is
* when you bought it
* why you bought it

and say why you like it so much.

**Habits and likes/the present**

**Leisure time**

Describe what you usually do in your leisure time.

You should say:

* who you do this with
* where you do it
* how you do it

and explain why you like to spend your free time this way.

**A skill**

Describe a practical skill you have.

You should say:

* what the skill is
* how often you use it
* who taught it to you

and explain why the skill is so practical

**A television programme**

Describe a television programme  you watched and did not enjoy.

You should say:

* what this programme was
* where and when you watched it
* what it was about

and explain why you did not enjoy it

[Lesson with sample talk to listen to and help with vocabulary](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-speaking/a-television-programme-part-2-speaking/)

**A book**

Describe a book you are reading

You should say

* what the book is about
* when you read it
* how long you read it for

and explain what you like about the book

**Plans/the future**

**A country**

Describe a country you plan to visit.

You should say:

* what the country is
* when you plan to go there
* who you would like to travel with

and explain why you would like to go there.

**Shopping**

Describe something special you want to buy in the future.

You should say:

* what it is
* what it is like
* when you intend to buy it

and explain why you want to buy it.

**Experiences/The past**

**A wedding**

Describe a wedding you attended

You should say

* when it was
* who got married
* what happened at the wedding

And explain whether it was a typical wedding ceremony

[sample answer with advice on how to extend your answer](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-speaking/wedding/)

**A decision**

Describe an important decision that you made

You should say:

* what the decision was
* how you made your decision
* what the results of the decision were

and explain why it was important.

**A musical event**

Describe a musical event in your country

You should say

* What the event it is
* Where it takes place
* What kind of music is played

And you should explain why you enjoy it

[Listen to a sample answer and get help with vocabulary](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-speaking/a-musical-event-getting-the-vocabulary-right/)

[Try this exercise on spoken music vocabulary](http://www.dcielts.com/exercises/vocab/music1.htm)

**A news story**

Describe some interesting  news  that you have recently read about or heard about

You should say:

* what the story was
* who was involved in the story
* where you read or heard about this story

and explain why this news story was interesting to you.

[A sample version and help with vocabaulary](http://www.dcielts.com/ielts-speaking/a-news-story-part-2-speaking/)

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