

We're now going to talk about animals. What is your favourite animal?  
Why do you think some people like keeping pets?  
Are there any animals you are scared of?  
Are zoos popular in your country?  
Let's move on to talk about food. Do you think men or women make the best cooks?  
Is it important to teach children to cook from a young age?  
What is a typical dish from your country or region?  
Do people in your country or region eat traditional food or international food?

#### Track 54

Now, I'm going to give you a topic and I'd like you to talk about it for one to two minutes. You'll have one minute to think about what you're going to say before you begin talking. You can make some notes if you wish. Here is a pencil and some paper. I'd like you to describe a personal achievement you are proud of.

#### Track 55

All right. Remember, you have one to two minutes to talk on the topic. Don't worry if I stop you. I'll let you know when the time is up. Please start speaking now.

#### Track 56

We've been talking about achievements. I'd like to discuss with you some more questions related to this topic. First, let's consider the role of achievements in the world of education. Do you think that in your country academic success is more valued than other kinds of achievement, such as achievements in sport?

In your opinion, is it recognition and prizes that motivate students to succeed, or is it a personal sense of achievement?

What do you think makes some students more successful than others?

Now, we're going to discuss motivation and achievement in the workplace. Some people think that a successful person is someone who earns a lot of money. Do you agree?

Would you say workers in your country were motivated primarily by money?

Do you think people in your country take the same pride in their work as they used to in the past?

Thank you. It's been nice talking to you.

#### Track 57

##### Sample answers:

**Examiner:** Hello. My name is Pauline Jenkins. Could you tell me your full name, please?

**Candidate:** Hello. My name is Marie Dupont.

**Examiner:** Thank you. Can you show me your identification, please?... All right. That's fine. I'd now like to ask you some questions about yourself. Tell me about where you live.

**Candidate:** I live in Paris, the capital city of France. It's very famous for being a romantic city, the city of love.

**Examiner:** What are the advantages of living there?

**Candidate:** It's lively and fun and you never get bored. You can find any kind of entertainment you can imagine, from bars and clubs to museums and galleries.

**Examiner:** What are the disadvantages of living there?

**Candidate:** It's very crowded, and quite dirty in parts. You have to know which areas to avoid too, as some areas have bad reputations, especially at night.