

16 The future perfect – *will have* + past participle – is used to say something will have happened or will have been completed by a certain point in the future (note that *by* here means *not later than*). The weak forms of *will have* are /wɪl həv/ or /wɪl əv/.

1 Listen and complete the sentence with the words you hear.

People in my country are becoming less religious, so I think that by 2050 people _____ about the origins of Christmas.

2 Use the following phrases to make some predictions about things that will have happened or been completed by a certain point in the future.

- By this time next year ...
- By the time I retire ...
- By the year 2050 ...
- By the next millennium ...

Exam tip: The IELTS exam is designed to challenge even the best students, so don't worry if you struggle at some point in the exam. This is completely normal and the examiner will expect it.

It is better to be honest if you don't understand a question. And if you need some time to think before you answer a question, don't sit in silence with no explanation. Say something like, *Let me just think about that for a moment.*

IELTS Speaking Exam: Part 3

17 You are going to hear questions that are typical of Part 3 of the exam. Listen and answer the questions, practising what you have learnt in this unit, paying particular attention to your use of future forms.

Now listen to the sample answer.

