



IELTS Speaking Exam: Part 2

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Read this Part 2 question. Give yourself one minute to plan your answer, making notes if you wish. Then talk for one or two minutes. Practise the vocabulary you have learnt so far in this unit.

Describe a memorable holiday.

You should say:

when you went on this holiday

where you went

what you did

and explain why it is memorable.

Now listen to the sample answer.

Pronunciation: Extra stress

Sometimes we need to give a word extra stress. We can also stress a function word or a syllable that is normally unstressed. We may do this:

- to emphasise something
- to contrast two ideas/points/viewpoints, etc.
- to correct/disagree with someone.

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1 For each sentence a–d, underline the word(s) that you think is/are given extra stress.

a I wanted to go but I couldn't. I was broke.

b Did you say her name was Julie? – No, Julia.

c My husband really enjoyed the mini break, but I didn't.

d Was your purse on the table when it was stolen? – No, it was under the table.

2 Listen and check your answers. Then practise saying the sentences with the extra stresses.



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Listen to the four sentences. Correct the speaker, using extra stress as appropriate.

Example: *I gather you're from New Zealand. – No, I'm not. I'm from BELgium.*