

SPEAKING INSTRUCTIONS

PRACTICE TEST 1

Part 1

Phase 1 About you

1a. Complete the gaps.

work	student	I'm	study
from	Spain	live	name's

- George.
- My George.
- I as a waiter.
- I come Spain.
- I'm from
- I in a small town near Athens.
- I at University of Edinburgh.
- I'm a at St George's college.

1b. Now write sentences about you.

My (name).
 I (work/studies).
 I live (town).
 I come (country).

Phase 2

Friends

1a. Match the questions with their answers.

- How often do you see your friends?
 - What do you enjoy doing with your friends?
 - Where do your friends live?
 - When do you usually see your friends?
- I usually see my friends at weekends.
 - Most of my friends live near my house.
 - I enjoy playing basketball with my friends.
 - I meet my friends every Monday after school.

1b. Now work with your partner. Ask and answer questions 1-4.

Extended Response

2. Use the words in the box to complete the gaps.

like	large	youngest	very
always	is	lives	kind

My favourite friend's name (1) Haruto. He (2) next to my house. He's very nice and (3) He's also a (4) good student and he (5) helps me do the homework. He's got a (6) family. He's got two sisters and two brothers. He's the (7) of all. I really (8) him.

Shopping

1a. Match the questions with their answers.

- What things do you like buying?
 - Where do you usually go shopping?
 - How often do you go shopping?
 - Who do you like going shopping with?
- I usually go to the shopping centre because it's not far from my home.
 - I like going shopping with my friend John as he always carries the shopping bags for me.
 - I usually go shopping every Friday after work.
 - I like buying clothes and shoes.

1b. Now work with your partner. Ask and answer questions 1-4.

Extended Response

2. Use the words in the box to complete the gaps.

going	sells	inside	both
work	cheap	open	sweets

My favourite shop is in the town centre and it (1) ice cream. I like (2) there with my friends on Sundays after cinema. I really like banana ice cream. It also sells cakes and (3) Everything in that shop is very (4) and fresh. There are many tables that you can sit (5) or outside the shop. It is (6) every day from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. (7) adults and children like this place. People that (8) there are very kind and helpful.

Part 2

Different hobbies

Phase 1

1. Correct the sentences. Each sentence has one mistake only.

- I like playing video game and I usually play with my cousins when I visit my aunt's house.
- I don't like dancing. It's enough difficult. Can you dance?
- I don't like collecting stamps, I prefer doing another things. Do you enjoy collecting stamps?
- I enjoy learning to play guitar at home.
- I don't like take photographs. What about you?
- I'm not sure what I can tell about this picture.
- I really like picking up stamps.
- I enjoy playing video games in my own.

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2a. Match the numbers with the letters to form sentences.
Then, tick the sentences that you agree with.

		I agree
1. I think that taking photographs is fun because	d	.....
2. I don't think that taking photographs is fun because	.....	.....
3. Playing video games is interesting because	.....	.....
4. I don't think that playing video games is interesting because	.....	.....
5. Dancing is useful	.....	.....
6. I think that it isn't hard to learn to play the guitar,	.....	.....
7. Some people think that learning to play the guitar is hard	.....	.....
8. I think that collecting stamps is expensive	.....	.....

- you look at them after some years you remember bad things.
- if you don't like going to the gym.
- but I think that those people have never played a musical instrument on their own.
- you can always remember the places you have visited.
- but you also need to have talent.
- if you play a lot you can also learn many new words from a foreign language.
- because you have to pay a lot of money to buy some of them.
- you always do the same things.

2b. Now compare your answers with your partner's answers.

Example:

- I think that taking photographs is fun because you can always remember the places you have visited. What do you think?
- Well, I agree/disagree because ...

2c. Now complete the box about your favourite activity.

My favourite hobby is because

Phase 2

Choose the right answer(s) for you. Then, compare your answers with your partner's answers.

- Do you prefer doing your hobby alone or with friends? Why?
 - I like doing my hobby with my friends because it's more exciting doing things with other people.
 - I like doing my hobby with my friends because we can do whatever we want.
 - I don't like doing my hobby alone. It's also safer if I am with other people, like my friends.
 - I like doing my hobby on my own, because I can do all the things I want. When my friends are there, we find it difficult to agree.
 - (other)

- Do you prefer doing your hobby indoors or outdoors?
 - I like going out with my friends because we have a great time together.
 - I don't like staying in, it's boring. When I have free time, I go out and do different hobbies, like playing basketball.
 - I love staying indoors, so when I have free time, I stay in and learn how to play the piano.
 - (other)

PRACTICE TEST 2

Part 1

Phase 2

Food



1a. Match the questions with their answers.

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| 1. What do you usually have for breakfast? | |
| 2. What do you like drinking with your meals? | |
| 3. Where do you have lunch on weekdays? | |
| 4. When do you usually have dinner? | |
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| a. Every day I have dinner at about 8 o'clock. |
| b. On weekdays I have lunch at the office. |
| c. I like drinking a glass of water with my meals. |
| d. I usually eat an apple and a banana. |

1b. Now work with your partner. Ask and answer questions 1-4.

Extended Response

2. Use the words in the box to complete the gaps.

college	have	the	moment
they	started	was	me

I love mushrooms. I remember how it (1) I was in (2) first year of (3) and I (4) sick. But my friend Dina made (5) eat mushroom soup! I will never forget that (6) it was delicious! I (7) loved mushrooms since then. I even like the way (8) look.

Going out

1a. Match the questions with their answers.

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| 1. When do you usually go out? | |
| 2. What do you like doing when you go out? | |
| 3. Who do you go out with? | |
| 4. Where do you usually go when you go out? | ..... |
| a. I usually go out with my friends as well as my colleagues. | |
| b. I usually go to the cinema or to the local cafe. | |
| c. I usually go out on Friday evenings. | |
| d. I like meeting my friends or visiting art galleries. | |

1b. Now work with your partner. Ask and answer questions 1-4.

Extended Response

2. Use the words in the box to complete the gaps.

take	concerts	especially	share
time	the	when	stage

I like sports, (1) tennis. So (2) I go out
I usually go to (3) tennis club and I play tennis with
my friends. We have a great (4) I also like going to
music (5) and listen to my favourite singers singing
on (6) I always (7) photos of them that I
(8) with my friends on Facebook.

Part 2

Different types of holidays

Phase 1

1. Correct the sentences. Each sentence has one mistake only.

- I'm not sure what's in the picture. It could be big city.
- I'd like to visit an island during my holidays. And if the weather will be good, I can go swimming.
- The other problem is that I'm scared for skiing. What about you?
- I think skiing is difficult, is it?
- Do you like walking the countryside?
- It's not clean what's in the picture.
- Would you like to visit a big city in future?
- I don't really like camp.

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2a. Match the numbers with the letters to form sentences. Then, tick the sentences that you agree with.

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| 1. I think that beach holidays are expensive because | d | |
| 2. I don't think that beach holidays are expensive because | | |
| 3. Skiing is dangerous because | ..... | ..... |
| 4. I don't think that skiing is dangerous if | ..... | ..... |
| 5. Holidays in the countryside are boring | ..... | ..... |
| 6. I think that holidays in the countryside aren't boring | ..... | ..... |
| 7. Some people think that camping holidays are fun | ..... | ..... |
| 8. I think that city holidays are very interesting, | ..... | ..... |

- if you want you can sleep in a tent near the sea as most of the time the weather is very good.
- if the countryside is far away from a town centre.
- but I think that those people don't know the dangers about camping.
- hotel prices near the sea are very high during the summer months.
- but you need to have some friends with you to have fun.
- if you have an accident, it's difficult to find a doctor in the mountains.
- because you can do many things such as shopping, sightseeing etc.
- you have the right equipment with you as well as a teacher to help you.

2b. Now complete the box about your favourite job.

I like best, because
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Phase 2

Choose the right answer(s) for you. Then, compare your answers with your partner's answers.

- Do you prefer going on holiday with your family or with your friends? Why?
 - I like going on holiday with my friends because we play games together.
 - I like going on holiday with my friends because I can go to bed what time I want.
 - I don't like going on holiday with my parents. They don't let me stay out late at night.
 - I like going on holiday with my parents, because I can do all the things I want to as they always pay everything to me.
 - (other)
- Do you prefer winter or summer holidays? Why?
 - I'm the type of person who loves summer holidays. I like hot weather and swimming in the sea.
 - I really like summer holidays because I can go camping without getting wet.
 - I enjoy skiing so I prefer winter holidays in the mountains.
 - I don't really mind if I have good friends or family with me.
 - (other)