

Handout 1: What do you know about the IELTS speaking test?

1 The speaking test lasts about

- a) 7-11 minutes
- b) 11-14 minutes
- c) 14-18 minutes

2 There are _____ parts to the test.

- a) 3
- b) 4
- c) 5

3 In the first part you will be asked questions on:

- a) personal topics
- b) academic subjects
- c) topics in the news

4 In the next part of the test you will:

- a) choose your own topic to talk about
- b) choose between 2 topics you are given to talk about
- c) be given 1 topic to talk about

5 In this part, you will have

- a) no time to prepare
- b) 30 seconds to prepare
- c) 60 seconds to prepare

6 You will then talk for a maximum of

- a) 1 minute
- b) 2 minutes
- c) 3 minutes

7 In the last part of the test you will

- a) further discuss the topic from part 2
- b) discuss reasons for taking IELTS
- c) discuss your plans and ambitions

8 The speaking test is recorded

- a) so you can have a copy
- b) because it is always marked twice
- c) in case it needs to be re-marked