

D. SPEAKING

Exercise 1 :

What do you know about IELTS Speaking Part 2? Choose the correct answers.

1 How long does IELTS Speaking Part 2 last?

3–4 minutes 5–6 minutes

2 How much preparation time do candidates have?

1 minute 2 minutes

3 What does the candidate do during the preparation time?

ask questions make notes

4 Does the candidate ask questions during the preparation time?

Yes No

5 Does the examiner ask questions during the long turn?

Yes No

Exercise 2 :

In IELTS Speaking Part 2 you are given a task card on a particular topic. This will include key points that you should talk about. Then you have one minute to make notes and prepare your talk.

Read the task card and the statements about note-taking. Then choose the correct answers.

Describe your perfect home.

You should say:

what it looks like

where it is located

what it contains

and explain if your real home is similar to this.

	Yes	No
1 You should write down every word you want to say.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2 You should write your notes as full sentences.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3 You should only talk about the points on the task card.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4 You should always give examples or extra information about each point.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5 You can ask the examiner for a different task card if you don't like the topic.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Exercise 3 :

In IELTS Speaking Part 2, you have one minute to make some notes and prepare your talk.

private drive	identical	open-plan lounge	dissimilar	on the waterfront	
traditional	residential	much the same	central	simple	large terrace

what your home looks like: *It looks ...*

modern

where your home is located: *It's somewhere ...*

what your home contains: *It has a/an ...*

and explain if your real home is similar to this: *It's ...*

Read the task card, and then complete the table with words that you can use in your talk. Use the words in the box. The first one has been done for you.

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Exercise 4 :

Read the task card again. Then watch the video and complete the student's notes.  **Video 1.1**

Your perfect home

what it looks like: big _____ / big windows / _____

where it is located: _____ / small town / _____

what it contains: family / _____

and explain if your real home is similar to this: Yes: small town, quite a big _____, _____ but no _____

Exercise 5 :

In order to have enough to say in IELTS Speaking Part 2, you should always give examples or extra information about each point.

Read the task card again and the student's answers. Then complete the table with the words in the box. Watch the video and check your answers.  **Video 1.2**

difference

dog

family

guard

missing

one

only

part

situated

town

wake up

Answers

Examples and/or extra information

what it looks like

A big house with
big windows and
a balcony.

My bedroom is _____ at the top of the house.
I can _____ with the sunshine.

where it is located	In the forest or in a small town or village.	I don't like busy places so I prefer to live in a quiet [redacted].
what it contains	My family and animals.	They are the most important [redacted] of my life.
and explain if your real home is similar to this	Yes: small town, big house, family.	I would like to have a [redacted] which would [redacted] my home.

I live in a small [redacted] in quite a big house where all my [redacted] lives.

The main [redacted] is that I don't have a dog. So this is the [redacted] thing that is [redacted] in my perfect home.

Exercise 6 :

Sometimes you might have a difficult topic and can't think of anything to say. If this happens, try to think about each part of the question in more detail.

Read the IELTS Speaking Part 2 task card again. Then complete the notes. Use the words in the box.

a cellar	country	four rooms	in an apartment block	large windows
lots of things to do	lounge	on the waterfront	one	room for family
small	suburbs	town	traditional	two bedrooms

wood

Your perfect home

what it looks like:

what style it is: modern, [redacted], simple

how many storeys it has: [redacted] two, etc.

what size it is: big or [redacted]

how the outside of the house looks: [redacted], red front door

what materials it is made from: [redacted], brick, stone, glass, steel

where it is located:

general details: [redacted] (urban) or [redacted] (rural)

specific details: city centre, [redacted], village

distance to/from other places: [redacted], ten minutes from work, in the mountains, etc.

where it is in relation to other buildings: [redacted], skyscraper, on its own

why it would be located there: peaceful, [redacted]

what it contains:

number of rooms: [redacted] in total

number of each room: one kitchen, one bathroom, [redacted]

what rooms it has: dining room, [redacted], kitchen, bathroom, bedroom

what other things it has: a garage, [redacted], a balcony, a staircase, a gym

why it would contain these things: outdoor space, [redacted]

and explain if your real home is similar to this:

what is similar (think about the points you listed above)?

- what looks the same?

- is the location the same?
- is what it contains the same?

what is different (think about your answers to the points above)?

- what looks different (if anything)?
- is the location different?
- is what it contains different?

Exercise 7 :

Read the IELTS Speaking Part 2 task card again. Then choose the correct words to complete the student's answers.

Your perfect home

what it looks like:

My perfect home would be a huge/high house and it would be three storeys high. It would be simplistic but colourful/coloured.

where it is located:

It would be located at the seaside/oceanside probably somewhere on an island. You can suntan/ sunbathe, rest, read a book and relax there.

what it contains:

It would contain a big swimming pool. It would also have a seating/ seat area where you can look out onto the ocean.

and explain if your real home is similar to this:

It doesn't really look as/ like my home. I live in a normal flat and it's not as luxury/ luxurious as my perfect home would be.

Exercise 8 :

In the IELTS Speaking test, it is important to use collocations to score well for *lexical resource*, i.e. using a wide range of vocabulary.

Choose the correct nouns to complete the collocations

- 1 a tall *building/ garden/ lounge/ terrace*
- 2 a colourful *pool/ location/ picture/ drive*
- 3 a seaside *drive/ location/ building/ terrace*
- 4 a sunny *picture/garden*
- 5 a seating *area/ location/ lounge/ terrace*
- 6 a swimming *pool/ garden/ home/ drive*
- 7 a luxurious *location/ home/ area/ picture*

8 a private *picture/ area/ location/ drive*

9 a large *terrace/ location*

10 an open-plan *garage/lounge/ terrace/ garden*

Exercise 9 :

Look at the words in bold in the IELTS Speaking Part 2 task card.

Match the synonyms with the words from the task card.

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1	perfect	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	explain
2	say	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	ideal
3	look like	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	the same
4	located	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	actual
5	contains	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	appearance
6	real	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	situated
7	similar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	has

Exercise 10 :

You are going to do IELTS Speaking Part 2. You will need some paper and a pencil

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