

Exercise 9

Look at the useful phrases for IELTS Speaking Part 2 in the box. What are their functions? Complete the table with the phrases.

I've decided to talk about ...

The topic or person or place I've decided to talk about is ...

There are several reasons ... Well, let me think ... As for ... In my opinion ...

Anyway, to sum up ... What else can I tell you about ...?

If I think about my own circumstances ...

It was for those reasons that I decided to talk about ...

I decided to talk about this because ... Moving on to ...

introducing your talk	avoiding hesitation	moving to the next point

giving reasons	adding your own ideas	coming to a conclusion