

Exercise 4

Read the information. Then look at the phrases for expressing importance in the box. Watch the video of a native English speaker responding to seven IELTS Speaking Part 3 questions. Match the phrases with the responses in which they are used.

A common question type in IELTS Speaking Part 3 is *How important is ...? / Is it important to ...?* There are a number of useful phrases that you can use when answering questions that relate to the importance of something rather than just responding with *It is (not) important*. Using these phrases will help improve your Lexical Resource mark.

It's a must. It's absolutely crucial. It's absolutely vital.

It's all pretty inconsequential. / It's neither here nor there.

It's an absolute necessity.

It's far from being essential.

It's not a matter of life or death.

Question 1: How important is it to learn to be financially responsible?

Question 2: How important is it to be safe when shopping online?

Question 3: How important is it for people to pay their taxes?

Question 4: How important is it for children to be taught about basic financial management?

Question 5: How important is it to pay back your credit card on time?

Question 6: Is it important to repay money you borrow from friends and family promptly?

Question 7: Should physical money be replaced with virtual money?
