

Exercise 8

Read the IELTS Speaking Part 2 task card. Then read the student's response. Correct the underlined grammar mistakes.

Describe a special occasion in your life.

You should say

where the special occasion took place
when this special occasion took place
who else was there

and explain how you felt on this special occasion.

The special occasion I choose -> to talk about is when I passed my driving test. This happened three years ago, and I sat the test itself in my hometown of Perugia. Already I had passed -> the theory test a few week -> beforehand, because in Italy you do the theory test first and then the practical test comes a short time afterwards. So, on the day of the practical test I was driving -> to the test centre with the instructor from my driving school. I remember I feel -> incredibly nervous on the day of the test and even the night before.

All I could think was, if I will pass, -> I can be much more independent. I had already saved up enough money for -> buy a small car, and so now all I needed was to pass the test. Anyway, my instructor and I arrived and met the examiner, which -> looked incredibly serious. I don't think she smiled even once the whole time. That only made me more nervous. The test itself, well, to be honest, I can't remember too much of -> it. I think I was concentrating so hard on get -> everything right that, well, my mind was too busy to remember, I don't know.

However, I do remember what happened at the end. When the instructor told me I had passed, I screamed with happiness, that -> made the instructor jump with surprise, and then I gave her a hug. When I got out of the car, I saw that my dad was there, too, waited -> with my instructor. So, I ran over to them and hugged them, too. And then my Dad pulled some keys out of his pocket and pointed to a brand-new car that was parked in the car park. It took me a second or two to realise that the car was for me. At that point, I burst into tears – happy tears, of course. It was an amazing surprise. Not only I had passed, -> but I also had the car I wanted. And I even got to drive home in my new car. How did I feel at that moment? I guess a mixture of pride that I had passed, and also relief. Just imagine how embarrassing it would have been if I haven't passed. -> But fortunately, I did. A perfect day, really.