

Exercise 6

Read the information. Then read the IELTS Speaking Part 3 questions. Put the sentences in the correct order to complete the responses.

A useful way of answering IELTS Speaking Part 3 questions is to structure your response in the following way:

1. Make a statement.
2. Explain your answer.
3. Support your statement.

1. How should tourists behave when they are in a different country?

A. I think that people should behave with respect for the local traditions and culture when they are in a different country.

B. For me, it is really annoying when tourists visit the ballet in my country and are dressed casually. For us, it is important to be dressed smartly, and I think that they should follow these rules like I do when I visit another country.

C. For example, I think that they should do some research on the place that they are going to and see how they should behave in certain circumstances.

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2. Why do so many people enjoy participating in national celebrations?

A. That said, I think that the key thing is that people are enjoying themselves, and it doesn't matter to them if it is to celebrate the accomplishments of the nation or something that is personal to them or their families.

B. The reason I believe this is that if you take my country, people are very keen to participate in Independence Day, when there are a lot of

concerts, parties and other festivities, but if it is something more sombre like a memorial day, fewer people attend.

C. In my opinion, taking part in national celebrations helps people feel part of society and allows them to feel proud of the nation, and of course the celebrations are quite often a lot of fun.

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3. Do you think that we should maintain old buildings and monuments?

A. I suppose that it's in everybody's interests for old buildings to be preserved from a historical, cultural and economic perspective, and as the government raises taxes from the public, it should be down to the government to fund these projects.

B. What's more, as well as providing a source of national pride and interest for the public, historic buildings help to attract tourists, who want to visit these attractions and are willing to pay good money to visit them.

C. I think that it could be argued that the government should be made to pay for the upkeep of old buildings and monuments, as they are part of the country's culture and heritage.

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4. Do you think that the traditions that we have today will survive into the future?

A. Younger generations have fully embraced the possibilities of moving away from their traditional homes, communicating with people from other countries and participating in a global economy.

B. I really don't think that traditions will be of any importance to future generations. Most of the old traditions and customs have already been forgotten, and the development of technology means that people are becoming less and less interested in the past.

C. We can see that improvements in technology have led to people abandoning old working practices, and this gives them fewer ties to the past.

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