# **IELTS PART 1**

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# <u>PHẦN 1: 5 LƯU Ý CẢI THIỆN "PART 1"</u>

Improving Part 1 of the IELTS Speaking test to move from a band 5 to a band 6 involves focusing on fluency, coherence, lexical resource, grammatical range and accuracy, and pronunciation. Here are some strategies and tips to make a good impression on the examiner:

#### Fluency and Coherence

#### 1. Avoid Long Pauses:

o Practice speaking without long pauses. If you need time to think, use fillers like "well," "you know," or "let me see."

#### 2. Expand Your Answers:

Instead of giving short, one-sentence answers, try to elaborate. For example, if asked about your hobbies, instead of saying, "I like reading," you could say, "I enjoy reading, especially mystery novels, because they are exciting and keep me engaged."

#### 3. Use Linking Words:

o Connect your ideas with linking words and phrases such as "because," "so," "and," "but," "also," furthermore, however, ...

#### **Lexical Resource**

#### 1. Variety of Vocabulary:

 Avoid repeating the same words. Use synonyms and paraphrasing to show a range of vocabulary.

## 2. Topic-specific Vocabulary:

Learn and use vocabulary related to common IELTS Speaking Part 1 topics like hobbies, work, studies, daily routines, etc.

### 3. Phrasal Verbs and Idiomatic Expressions:

 Incorporate phrasal verbs and simple idiomatic expressions naturally into your speech. For example, "I'm into sports," or "I look forward to weekends."

### **Grammatical Range and Accuracy**

### 1. Use a Range of Sentence Structures:

 Mix simple, compound, and complex sentences. For example, "I like to swim because it's relaxing and keeps me fit."

### 2. Practice Common Grammar Points:

 Work on areas like tenses, subject-verb agreement, and prepositions. Ensure you are using these correctly.

#### 3. Correct Your Mistakes:

o If you notice a mistake while speaking, **correct** it. It shows awareness and control over your language use.

### **Pronunciation**

#### 1. Clear Pronunciation:

Speak clearly and at a natural pace. Focus on the pronunciation of common words and phrases.

#### 2. Intonation and Stress:

 Use appropriate intonation and stress to make your speech more natural and engaging.

#### 3. Practice Problem Sounds:

• Identify and practice sounds that are difficult for you. Use resources like online dictionaries with audio pronunciations.

### **Making a Good Impression**

#### 1. Be Confident and Polite:

 Greet the examiner with a smile and be polite. Confidence can positively influence your overall performance.

#### 2. Engage with the Examiner:

Show interest in the questions and respond naturally. This helps to create a positive interaction. ("happy to talk about the things you love!") | Hãy tỏ ra hứng thú với 1 số chủ đề, 1 số câu hỏi liên quan tới sở thích, thế mạnh của mình... -> như vậy sẽ ghi điểm thêm và tạo ấn tượng tốt cho giám khảo.

#### 3. Stay Relaxed:

o Take deep breaths and stay calm. Nervousness can affect your fluency and coherence. (thở sâu & bình tĩnh...)

# PHẦN 2: MỘT SỐ VÍ DỤ & CÂU TRẢ LỜI

#### **Example Questions and Responses**

Q: What do you do in your free time? (câu hỏi quan trọng, rất hay nói về chủ đề này!)

• Band 5 Answer: In my free time, I read books.

• Improved Answer: In my free time, I enjoy reading books, especially mystery novels. I find them fascinating because they always keep me guessing until the end. I also like to spend time outdoors, going for walks or playing sports with friends.

Q: Do you prefer to spend time alone or with friends? (Câu hỏi này cũng hay gặp, ví dụ bạn thích đi du lịch 1 mình hay với nhóm / bạn thích học tiếng Anh 1 mình hay với bạn bè / bạn thích đi ăn 1 mình hay ăn với nhóm bạn...)

- Band 5 Answer: I like to be with friends.
- Improved Answer: I prefer to spend time with friends because I enjoy socializing and sharing experiences. We often go to the movies, have dinner together, or simply hang out and talk. However, I also value some alone time to relax and recharge by reading or listening to music.

# Q: How often do you use a computer?

- Band 5 Answer: Every day / I use a computer every day.
- Improved Answer: I use a computer every day, both for work and leisure. At work, I use it for tasks like writing reports and checking emails. In my free time, I use it to watch videos, play games, and stay connected with friends and family through social media.

By focusing on these strategies and consistently practicing, your student can improve their performance in Part 1 of the IELTS Speaking test and make a positive impression on the examiner.

# PHẦN 3: CẤU TRÚC CÂU TRẢ LỜI

In Part 1 of the IELTS Speaking test, having a clear structure in your answers can help demonstrate your fluency and coherence. Here are some common structures you can use for different types of questions:

# **Basic Structure**

- 1. Direct Answer: Begin with a direct answer to the question.
- 2.**Reason/Explanation:** Explain why you feel this way or provide reasons for your answer.
- 3. Example/Detail: Give an example or additional detail to support your explanation.

# **Common Structures and Examples**

#### 1. Preference Questions

#### **Structure:**

- 1. Direct Answer
- 2. Reason/Explanation
- 3. Example/Detail

Example Question: Do you prefer to spend time indoors or outdoors?

#### **Answer:**

- **Direct Answer:** I prefer to spend time outdoors.
- **Reason/Explanation:** Being outside allows me to enjoy nature and get some fresh air, which is refreshing and helps me feel more relaxed.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I often go hiking or take long walks in the park during weekends. It's a great way to unwind and stay active.

# 2. Frequency Questions

#### **Structure:**

- 1. Direct Answer
- 2. Reason/Explanation
- 3. Example/Detail

# Example Question: How often do you exercise? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I exercise about three to four times a week.
- Reason/Explanation: Regular exercise is important for maintaining my physical health and mental well-being.
- Example/Detail: Typically, I go to the gym after work or do a morning run in my neighborhood. It helps me stay fit and energized throughout the day.

# 3. **Descriptive** Questions

#### **Structure:**

- 1. Direct Answer
- 2. Description/Details
- 3. Personal Opinion/Feelings

#### Example Question: Can you describe your hometown? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** My hometown is a small coastal city called Nha Trang.
- **Description/Details:** It's known for its beautiful beaches, clear waters, and vibrant nightlife. The city is also famous for its seafood, which is fresh and delicious.
- **Personal Opinion/Feelings:** I love living here because the atmosphere is relaxed, and the people are friendly. It's a great place to enjoy life and unwind.

#### 4. **Habit/Routine Questions**

#### **Structure:**

- 1. Direct Answer
- 2. Description/Details
- 3. Reason/Explanation

#### Example Question: What do you usually do on weekends? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** On weekends, I usually spend time with my family and friends.
- **Description/Details:** We often go out for dinner, watch movies, or have a barbecue at home. Sometimes, I also like to catch up on reading or do some gardening.
- **Reason/Explanation:** Weekends are a great time to relax and recharge after a busy week at work. Spending time with loved ones helps me feel more connected and happy.

## 5. **Opinion** Questions

#### **Structure:**

- 1. Direct Answer
- 2. Reason/Explanation
- 3. Example/Detail

Example Question: Do you think it's important to learn a foreign language?

#### Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** Yes, I believe it's very important to learn a foreign language.
- **Reason/Explanation:** It can open up many opportunities for personal and professional growth, such as better job prospects and the ability to communicate with people from different cultures.
- **Example/Detail:** For example, I learned English, which has allowed me to connect with people from all over the world and access a wealth of information and resources online.

### **Additional Tips**

- Use Connectors: Words like "because," "so," "therefore," "for instance," and "such as" can help link your ideas smoothly.
- **Be Natural:** While structure is important, try to keep your answers sounding natural and conversational.
- **Practice:** Regularly practice answering questions using these structures to become more comfortable and fluent.

By using these structures, you can organize your thoughts more effectively and provide clear, coherent answers that will impress the examiner.

# PHẦN 4: 20 CÂU HỎI PHỐ BIẾN NHẤT

top 20 most common questions in IELTS Speaking Part 1, categorized by topic:

### 1. Personal Information

- 1. Can you tell me your full name, please?
- 2. Where are you from?

### 2. Work/Studies

- 3. Do you work or are you a student?
- 4. What do you study? / What is your job?
- 5. Why did you choose to study that subject? / Why did you choose that job?

#### 3. Hobbies and Interests

- 6. What do you like to do in your free time?
- 7. Do you have any hobbies or interests?
- 8. How often do you engage in your hobbies?

# 4. Daily Routine

- 9. Can you describe a typical day for you?
- 10. What do you usually do in the evenings?

#### 5. Home and Accommodation

- 11. Can you describe your home?
- 12. Do you like the area where you live?

# 6. Family and Friends

- 13. Do you have a large or small family?
- 14. Do you spend much time with your family?
- 15. Do you prefer to spend time with friends or family?

### 7. Travel and Holidays

- 16. **Do you like to travel?**
- 17. What was your most memorable trip?

### 8. Food and Cooking

- 18. What is your favorite food?
- 19. **Do you enjoy cooking?**

#### 9. Reading

20. **Do you enjoy reading?** 

### **Additional Common Questions:**

- 1.Do you prefer to read books or watch movies?
- 2. What kind of music do you like?
- 3.Do you enjoy shopping?
- 4. What sports do you like?
- 5.Do you use social media?

#### **Example Questions and Answers**

Question: What do you like to do in your free time? Answer:

- + **Direct Answer:** In my free time, I enjoy reading books and going for walks.
- + Reason/Explanation: Reading helps me relax and learn new things, while walking is a great way to clear my mind and stay active.
- + Example/Detail: For example, I usually read fiction novels in the evening and take a walk in the park near my house every morning.

**Question:** Do you like the area where you live? **Answer:** 

- + Direct Answer: Yes, I do.
- + **Reason/Explanation:** It's a quiet neighborhood with plenty of green spaces and friendly neighbors.
- + Example/Detail: For instance, there's a beautiful park just a few minutes away, and I often go there for a jog or to have a picnic with my family.

These questions cover a wide range of topics and are designed to help you practice and prepare for the actual IELTS Speaking test. By familiarizing yourself with these questions and practicing your answers, you can improve your fluency and confidence.

# <u>PHẦN 5: VÍ DỤ MINH HỌA: CÂU TRẢ LỜI CỦA</u> MR PHILLIP

#### 1. Personal Information

Question: Can you tell me your full name, please? Answer:

- Direct Answer: My full name is PHILLIP NGUYEN
- Reason/Explanation: My last name is NGUYEN the most common family name in Vietnam
- Example/Detail: I think that you can see people with the name NGUYEN everywhere.

## Question: Where are you from? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I'm from Nha Trang, a coastal city in Vietnam.
- Reason/Explanation: It's known for its beautiful beaches and vibrant tourist attractions.
- Example/Detail: For instance, Nha Trang is famous for its clear blue waters and lively nightlife.

#### 2. Work/Studies

Question: Do you work or are you a student? Answer:

- Direct Answer: I work as an educator and entrepreneur.
- Reason/Explanation: I run a language center where we focus on English language training.
- Example/Detail: For example, we offer courses in TESOL, IELTS, and study abroad programs.

# Question: What do you study? / What is your job? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I am the founder and CEO of Sunshine Language Center.
- Reason/Explanation: I focus on creating a positive learning environment and using innovative teaching methods.
- Example/Detail: For instance, we incorporate technology like AR and VR into our language courses.

**Question:** Why did you choose to study that subject? / Why did you choose that job? **Answer:** 

- **Direct Answer:** I chose this job because I'm passionate about education and language learning.
- Reason/Explanation: Helping others learn and grow is very fulfilling for me.
- Example/Detail: For example, seeing my students succeed in their language exams and achieve their goals brings me great satisfaction.

#### 3. Hobbies and Interests

Question: What do you like to do in your free time? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** In my free time, I enjoy reading books and going for walks.
- Reason/Explanation: Reading helps me relax and learn new things, while walking is a great way to clear my mind and stay active.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I usually read fiction novels in the evening and take a walk in the park near my house every morning.

## Question: Do you have any hobbies or interests? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** Yes, I enjoy traveling and exploring new places.
- Reason/Explanation: Traveling allows me to experience different cultures and meet new people.
- Example/Detail: For example, I recently visited Australia, where I explored the cities of Sydney and Melbourne.

# Question: How often do you engage in your hobbies? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I engage in my hobbies whenever I have free time, usually on weekends.
- Reason/Explanation: Weekends are when I can relax and indulge in activities I enjoy.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I often plan short trips or read books over the weekend to unwind.

# 4. Daily Routine

Question: Can you describe a typical day for you? Answer:

- Direct Answer: A typical day for me starts with a morning walk.
- Reason/Explanation: After that, I head to work at Sunshine Language Center, where I spend my day teaching and managing the center.
- Example/Detail: In the evenings, I like to spend time with my family and read or watch TV before bed.

# Question: What do you usually do in the evenings? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** In the evenings, I usually relax with my family.
- Reason/Explanation: We often have dinner together and then watch a movie or talk about our day.
- Example/Detail: For example, we recently watched a great documentary about wildlife, which we all enjoyed.

#### 5. Home and Accommodation

Question: Can you describe your home? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I live in a comfortable apartment in Nha Trang.
- Reason/Explanation: It has three bedrooms, a spacious living room, and a nice view of the city.
- Example/Detail: For instance, from our balcony, we can see the beach and enjoy the sea breeze.

# Question: Do you like the area where you live? Answer:

- . Direct Answer: Yes, I do.
- Reason/Explanation: It's a quiet neighborhood with plenty of green spaces and friendly neighbors.
- Example/Detail: For instance, there's a beautiful park just a few minutes away, and I often go there for a jog or to have a picnic with my family.

#### 6. Family and Friends

Question: Do you have a large or small family? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I have a medium-sized family.
- Reason/Explanation: I live with my wife and our three children.
- Example/Detail: For instance, we enjoy spending time together and often go on family outings during weekends.

Question: Do you spend much time with your family? Answer:

- Direct Answer: Yes, I spend a lot of time with my family.
- Reason/Explanation: Family time is very important to me.
- Example/Detail: For example, we have dinner together every evening and often go on trips during holidays.

# Question: Do you prefer to spend time with friends or family? Answer:

- Direct Answer: I prefer to spend time with my family.
- . **Reason/Explanation:** I value the close bond we share and the support we give each other.
- Example/Detail: For instance, we have regular family activities like movie nights or outdoor picnics, which we all enjoy.

### 7. Travel and Holidays

Question: Do you like to travel? Answer:

- Direct Answer: Yes, I love traveling.
- Reason/Explanation: It allows me to explore new places and experience different cultures.
- Example/Detail: For example, my last trip was to Japan, where I visited Tokyo and Kyoto, experiencing the local cuisine and traditional temples.

# Question: What was your most memorable trip? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** My most memorable trip was to Australia.
- Reason/Explanation: It was my first time visiting, and I was amazed by the beautiful landscapes and friendly people.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I visited the Great Barrier Reef, which was an incredible experience.

### 8. Food and Cooking

Question: What is your favorite food? Answer:

- Direct Answer: My favorite food is sushi.
- Reason/Explanation: I love the combination of fresh fish and rice, and the variety of flavors.
- Example/Detail: For example, I enjoy trying different types of sushi rolls, especially those with tuna and avocado.

# Question: Do you enjoy cooking? Answer:

- . Direct Answer: Yes, I enjoy cooking very much.
- Reason/Explanation: It's a relaxing activity for me, and I like experimenting with new recipes.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I recently tried making homemade pasta, and it turned out great.

## 9. Reading

Question: Do you enjoy reading? Answer:

- Direct Answer: Yes, I enjoy reading a lot.
- Reason/Explanation: It's a great way to relax and learn new things.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I often read fiction novels in the evening and find it very enjoyable.

#### **Additional Questions:**

Question: Do you prefer to read books or watch movies? Answer:

- Direct Answer: I prefer to read books.
- Reason/Explanation: Reading allows me to use my imagination and delve deeper into the story.
- Example/Detail: For example, I find that books often provide more detail and background than movies do.

## Question: What kind of music do you like? Answer:

- **Direct Answer:** I like listening to classical music.
- Reason/Explanation: It helps me relax and focus, especially when I'm working.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I often listen to composers like Beethoven and Mozart.

# Question: Do you enjoy shopping? Answer:

- Direct Answer: Yes, I enjoy shopping.
- Reason/Explanation: It's a fun activity, especially when I'm looking for new gadgets or clothes.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I like visiting malls and exploring different stores to find unique items.

# Question: What sports do you like? Answer:

- Direct Answer: I like playing and watching football.
- Reason/Explanation: It's exciting and a great way to stay active.
- Example/Detail: For example, I play football with my friends every weekend and enjoy watching major football tournaments on TV.

# Question: Do you use social media? Answer:

- Direct Answer: Yes, I use social media regularly.
- Reason/Explanation: It helps me stay connected with friends and family and stay updated with news and trends.
- Example/Detail: For instance, I often use Facebook and Instagram to share photos and keep in touch with people.

These answers are structured to provide direct responses, reasons/explanations, and examples/details, helping to create a coherent and comprehensive answer that makes a good impression on the examiner

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Cheers, Phillip!

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