

**ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES
SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 1
STUDENT'S VERSION**

PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

***Education helps to prepare young people for the reality of working life.
Therefore, businesses and employers should decide what is taught and how
assessment is carried out in schools, colleges and universities.***

Think about (optional):

- Personal choice
- Job prospects
- Qualifications

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.

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SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 2
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PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

People need to take individual responsibility for looking after their own health and that of their families. Governments cannot be held responsible for the health of entire populations.

Think about (optional):

- Information/ education
- Personal choice
- Costs of healthcare

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.

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SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 3
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PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

People all over the world produce waste and cause a lot of pollution; this causes a lot of damage to the environment. We need much stricter laws and punishments to stop offenders who don't care.

Think about (optional):

- Responsibility
- Environmental problems
- Consequences of pollution

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.

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SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 4
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PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

Tourists can see and experience a lot of the world if they make foreign friends and go to visit them abroad. Travel agents, hotels and package holidays can never offer this kind of experience.

Think about (optional):

- Culture
- Organisation
- Cost

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.

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SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 5
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PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

Water is the most basic essential of life but it is limited or expensive to provide in certain parts of the world; therefore, people should be encouraged to relocate and settle in places where water is more plentiful.

Think about (optional):

- Threat to lives
- Personal history
- Cost of alternative

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.

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SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 6
STUDENT'S VERSION

PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

A fast growing health crisis in developed countries is the excessive consumption of fast food and processed foods. Due to the fact that many individuals cannot manage their diets, there should be a total ban on the sale of these foods.

Think about (optional):

- Business and economy
- Responsibility
- Alternative solutions

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.

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SPEAKING EXAMINATION SAMPLE 1: SET 7
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PART 2: Prepared Talk

Candidate's instructions:

Read the statement and question below and prepare to talk about this. You have 2 minutes to think and prepare; you may make notes if you wish. Your talk should last for 2 minutes.

Statement:

One way to reduce traffic and pollution in cities is to get people to use public transport instead of private cars. For this reason, governments should make laws to ban private vehicles from city centres.

Think about (optional):

- Freedom of choice
- Environment
- Cost

Question:

How far do you agree or disagree? Use examples and evidence to support your opinion.