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# Speaking Part 1

# How to prepare your speaking

## *Fluency & Coherence*

- Being able to keep going, to talk at a natural speed without unnatural pauses and hesitations;
- Being able to link ideas and language together clearly.

## *Lexical Resources*

- Having a sufficient vocabulary to express yourself on both familiar and unfamiliar topics;
- Being able to deal with unknown or difficult vocabulary.

## *Grammatical Range & Accuracy*

- Being able to use a variety of grammatical structures appropriately;
- Making as few grammatical mistakes as possible.

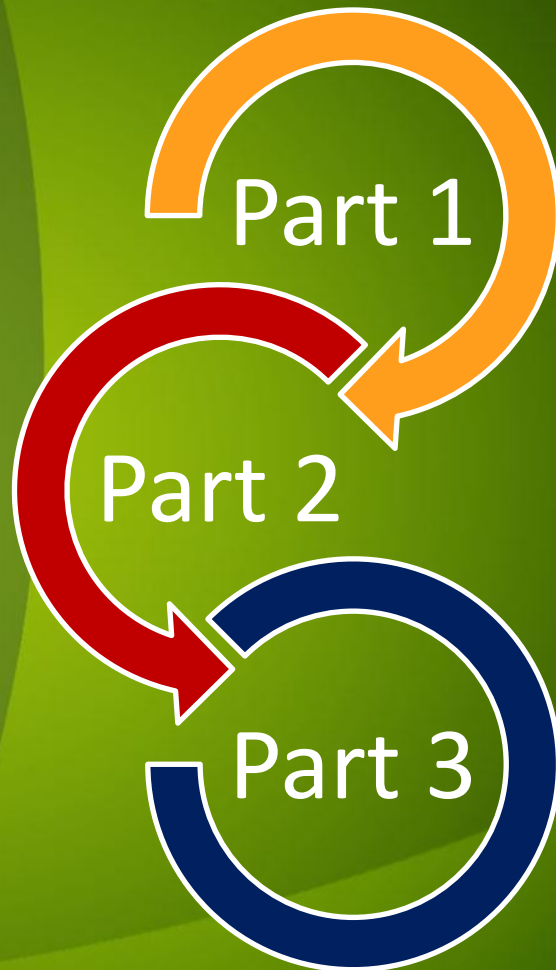
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*pronunciation*

- Being able to use English pronunciation features like stress and intonation naturally;
- Not causing another person any problems in understanding what you are saying.

# Speaking in this session will be divided into:



- a. Part 1 talks about general in nature;
- b. Part 2 talks about your experience; and
- c. Part 3 talks about a discussion of more abstract issues linked to the topic in part 2



# Speaking Part 1

## *Introduction and Interview (4-5 Minutes)*

In this part, you will be asked some questions on familiar topics such as your interests, your country, your family, food, clothes, holidays, etc. you do not have to express an opinion or justify it in this part.

Some typical questions might be:

Where do you come from?

What is your home like?

Tell me about your family?

Tell me about your studies?



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*Introduction and Interview (4-5 Minutes)*

Some typical questions might be:

Is there anything you dislike about your studies?

What type of transport do you use most?

Do you like reading?

What kind of television programmes do you watch?

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## Description Question

Well, the main thing you need to know is that...(1) + (details) ...

On top of that I can also add that (2) ... + (details)...

Something else that I need to say is that (3) ... so actually ... (details)...

*Strategy : divide into 2 or 3 parts*



## Sample Answer

*Tell me something about your hometown?*

- Well as you can probably guess I come from Yogyakarta and I have lived here all my life, although at the moment I'm studying in another city – Solo. I suppose if I had to describe Yogyakarta, the first thing I would say is that it's very crowded, maybe even one of the biggest cities in Indonesia I guess. It's so congested that even the locals have problems finding their way around. Another significant characteristic is that it offers splendid examples of cultural.





# Practice *in pairs*:

A. Tell me something about your hometown?

B. What does your neighborhood look like?

C. What does your house look like?



## *Liking*

- I'm pretty fond of..
- I'm really keen on..
- I'm a big fan of..
- I'm passionate about..

## *Disliking*

- I'm not really satisfied with..
- I'm not much of a fan of..
- I'm not really fond of..

*Strategy : General to specific*



Sample answer

# Liking

- *What kind of animals do you like?*
- Well in general I would say small animals, to be more precise cats and rabbits; and, I guess this is because we often kept them when I was growing up, and they were good companions for me.

Sample answer

# Disliking

- *Is there anything you don't like about your hometown?*
- In general, I'd have to say that I am not satisfied with the weather. To be more precise, I really can't stand the summer months. You know, it's because the temperatures are often as high as 35 degrees, plus it is always humid, so it makes you feel quite uncomfortable.



# Practice *in pairs* :

**A**

What do you like about your hometown?

Do you like your studies?

What sort of music do you like?

Do you like shopping?

**B**

Is there anything you don't like about your hometown?

Is there anything you don't like about studies?

Is there any food you don't like?

What's the worst thing about shopping?



## “Type of” Questions

...there's quite a mixed variety of..

...there's a quite an extensive diversity of ...

...there's a quite a wide range of...

...there's a fairly broad range of...

...there's quite a diverse mixture of...

*Strategy : depends on*

# Sample answer

- Of course, you know there's quite a mixed variety of public transportation in my city. Though I think the most commonly-used one could probably be buses. And the explanation for this could be that they are so cheap and reliable. In fact the average bus fare in my city is about 20 dollars for a single journey from start to end.

*Tell me about the different types of transportation in your city?*



# Practice *in pairs* :

What kinds of restaurants are popular in your country?

What types of shops can be found in your local area?

What types of things do people collect in your country?

What types of TV programmes are popular in your country?



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