

IELTS Speaking Practice Test 1

PART 1 (4-5 minutes)

Where did you grow up?
Was that a good place to grow up?
What do you remember most about growing up?
What kind of child were you?
Did you ever get into trouble at home or school?
Do you miss anything about your childhood?

PART 2 (3-4 minutes)

You have 1 minute to read the instructions in the box and prepare an answer. You can make notes. After your preparation time has ended, please speak for 1 to 2 minutes on this topic.

Describe your best friend during childhood.

You should say:

who the person was
why you became friends
what you used to do together

and explain if you keep in touch with your friend now.

Follow-up question: Do you wish you could go back to those days?

PART 3 (4-5 minutes)

Childhood friends

Do children find it easy to make friends?
Why do some people grow apart from their childhood friends?
Is it better for children to have a few close friends, or many?

Childhood changes

Has the image of childhood changed in your country?
At what age do children become adults?
Do you think children should be treated the same as adults?

Notes for interviewers

In Parts 1 & 3, you do not need to ask all the questions.

In Part 1, you can repeat the question if requested by the candidate, but you must not provide any further help.

In Part 2, you can answer questions during the preparation time, but you should then let the candidate speak without interruption.

In Part 3, you can paraphrase or explain the question, but try not to give your own opinion.