# IELTS Speaking Part 1 Set D Questions to practice with a partner.

### Instructions:

You can practice asking these questions with a partner or record yourself on <u>flip.com</u> and review what you say.

Short answers like "I do" or "I like it" are not really enough for this section of the test, so you should try to provide a reason for your answer.

If you are asking the questions, ask them "why?" or "Why not?" to help them practice extending their answers.



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### IELTS with Jonathan

### Being on Time and Punctuality

Think about these questions, what answer can you give,

How do you remind yourself to be on time?

Why are some people always late?

Do you think it is important to be punctual?

What will you do if you are waiting for someone?

Do you think people these days are as punctual as they were in the past?

### Family

In what ways have families in your country changed in recent years?

Should husbands and wives have different roles within the family? Why/why not?

What role do grandparents play in the family in your country?

Who do you think should be responsible for the care of the elderly - government or family?

In your country, what sort of things do people do together as a family?

What do you think the benefits are of doing things together as a family?

What are the main reasons why people organize family parties in your country?

In terms of personality, are people more influenced by their family or friends?

### Sports

Do you think people in your country get enough exercise?

How can we encourage young people to do exercise more and play sports?

Do you think physical education and sports should play a part in school?

Do you think it's better for boys and girls to play sports together or separately?

How important is it for the government to invest money in training athletes?

Do you think sports stars are paid more money than they deserve?

Who do some people enjoy participating in sports more than others do?

Is it important that athletes try to be good role models for young people?

#### Communication

Do you think men and women communicate differently?

Why do you think people spend so much money buying the latest devices?

How well can a picture communicate something?

Does a university education improve a person's ability to communicate effectively?



Do people in your country use body language?

What means of communication are best for sharing bad news?

What changes have you experienced in the way young people communicate in recent years?

Compare the advantages and disadvantages of text messaging as a means of communication.

### Health

What are the most popular ways of keeping healthy in your country

Do you think people worry more about health as they get older?

How can people be encouraged to stay healthy?

Why do you think some people continue bad habits even when they know that the habits are bad for their health?

Do women pay more attention to their health than men?

How can children be encouraged to adopt healthy eating habits?

How can a government promote healthy lifestyle options?

What is the best way of helping a person with an addiction?

#### Travel

How do you think most people usually choose a destination to travel to?

In your opinion, how will tourism change your country in the future?

What are the personal benefits of traveling abroad?

Why do you think people like to travel to different places in their free time?

Which method of travel do you consider to be the safest?

What are the pros and cons of low cost air travel?

What are the benefits and drawbacks of the growing tourism industry?

Do you think it is important for children to travel and experience new cultures?

### Reading

Do you like to read?

What types of things do you like to read?

Where do you enjoy reading the most?

How often do you read a newspaper?

When was the last time you read a magazine?

Who taught you to read?

Do you have a favourite writer or book?

What do you think about comic books?

Is reading a popular activity in your country?

Why do you like reading?

When is the best time to read?

#### Television

Do you watch a lot of television?



What programs do you enjoy the most? Why?

Are there any programs that you dislike? Why?

Which programs are the most popular with teenagers in your country?

When was the last time you watched a cartoon?

Are cartoons well-liked in your country?

Are cartoons a bad influence on young people?

How often do you watch TV for the news or weather?

Did you watch a lot of TV when you were a child?

Did many of your friends have a TV in their bedroom?

Does watching TV help you learn English?

### Sports

Do you do any kind of exercise?

How often do you exercise or play sports?

What kind of sports did you participate in when you were a child?

Do you prefer to watch or play sports?

What are the most popular sports among people in your country?

What kind of sport would you like to try in the future?

Do people in your country exercise more nowadays than they did in the past?

Do you prefer team sports (football, volleyball, etc.) or individual sports (tennis, running, etc.)

Are there many places to exercise in your hometown?

Is swimming popular in your country?

### Animals

Do you like animals?

What is your favourite animal?

Did you like the same animal when you were a child?



Have you ever had a pet?

Which animals make the most popular pets in your country?

Why do people like to keep pets?

Is there a pet you would like to won in the future?

Which animals are important in your culture?

Are there any animals that you are scared of?

Would you like to own an unusual pet like a snake or a spider?

Have you ever visited a zoo or wildlife reservation before?

### Technology

How often do you use a computer?

Do you use a computer more for work, or for entertainment?

Do you prefer to watch movies on a computer or in a cinema?

How old were you when you got your first cell phone?

How old were you when you got your first computer?

Do you prefer to read from a book or on an e-reader?



Did you ever use a computer to look up words in a dictionary?

Who taught you how to use a computer?

Do you usually use a camera or a cell phone to take pictures?

Is there anything you don't like about using a computer?

### Health

Do you have any unhealthy habits?

In what ways do you try to stay healthy?

Is it easy to keep fit where you live?

What do you think is more important, eating healthily or doing exercise?

What are the health benefits of playing a sport?

What is your favourite food to eat when you're sick?

What advice would you give to someone else to improve their heath?

What is your favourite healthy food? Why do you like it?



Where are the best places to exercise in the area where you live?

Have you ever taken an exercise class at a gym or fitness centre? Did you like it?

#### Travel

Do you like to travel?

What kinds of places have you visited in your life?

What places would you like to visit? Why?

What's the best place you've ever visited?

How do you prefer to travel on long journeys?

Do you prefer to travel with family or friends? Why?

Do you like to stay in hotels?

What is the best part about traveling to a new place?

Is there a place that you do not want to visit?

Do you think it is important to try the local cuisine when traveling to a new place?



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