

# SPEAKING

**This test will have 3 parts.**

1. You will talk with the examiner.
2. You will tell a story based on pictures.
3. The examiner will give you a topic card. You will tell your opinion about the topic.

**You now have 10 minutes to prepare your story.**

**Somebody will take you to the test room when it is your turn.**

**Part I: Lead-in and Interview**

The interlocutor will ask the candidate one introductory question and then two questions on another topic. Topics include travel, work, family, sport, cinema, hobbies, education, relationships and housing.



Good afternoon. My name is Mary, and this is my colleague Robert. So you are...

*I am Lara Rougier.*



Lara, how long have you been studying English?



*About five years, since I started secondary school.*



Thank you. Let's change subjects.  
How often do you do sports?



*I am not a very sporty person, but I do sports in the school three times a week, and I often use my bike instead of a car or public transport. I also enjoy playing football with my friends, especially outside when the weather is fine...*



What do you think people should do to keep healthy?



*I personally think that the most important thing is to eat healthy and do some exercises regularly. On the other hand, it also helps people to keep healthy if they spend enough time outside, for example walking in the forest. I should also mention...*



Thank you.



**Part 2: Picture Story**

*The candidate receives a picture story with an opening line; the task is to tell the story. Before meeting the examiner, the candidate has had ten minutes to prepare. The candidate may make notes in the preparation stage but should not read aloud from a prepared script.*



In this part of the test, you are going to tell the story you prepared earlier. Lara, here are the pictures and your notes. Now, I'd like you to tell your story. You may look at your notes but please do not read aloud from them. Tell the story to everybody here. Remember you only have **2 minutes**. You have thirty seconds to look through the pictures and your notes. Please start now.

*Emma loved working as a zookeeper...*



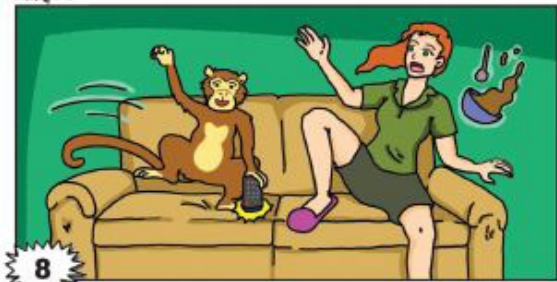
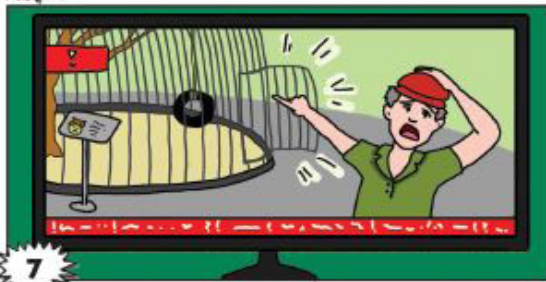
**The candidate tells his/her picture story.**

**Part 2: Picture Story**

(10 minutes to prepare a 2-minute story)

**The story starts like this:**

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**Part 3: For and against**

The candidate receives a topic card with a question a question that can be approached from different angles. The candidate gives his/her opinion about the topic, the interlocutor only listens.



For the final part of the test, you are going to talk about a topic I will give you. Imagine that you are discussing the topic Learning and education with your class. You have **2 minutes** to talk about the advantages and disadvantages. I'm just going to listen.

Card

**What are some of the advantages and disadvantages of going to university abroad?**

*Well, to tell you the truth, I have already thought about it. Perhaps one of the disadvantages could be that you are far away from home, your family and friends, and sometimes you might even feel a bit lonely. Besides...*



**The candidate speaks for 2 minutes.**



Thank you.  
That is the end of the test. Good-bye!