

**Crack**

**IELTS  
Speaking**

**Part 1**

# Crack IELTS Speaking Part 1

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# 1. What Happens in Part 1?

The examiner will ask one or two warm up questions either about;

Study or Work

Home

Hometown

You will then get 2 or 3 questions on TWO different topics

You should give quite short answers (3 or 4 sentences) and talk about you.

## 2. Six Common Question **Types**

Although there are many different topics in Part 1, the same kind of questions are often asked.

If you are familiar with the types of questions that are commonly asked, then you can better handle part 1 whatever the topic.

Here are 6 of the most common question types in IELTS Speaking Part 1

# 6 Common Question Types

1. **Do you (verb)?**
2. **Are you good at it?**
3. **Is (noun) popular in your country?**
4. **Did you (verb) as a child?**
5. **Do you prefer A or B?**
6. **What kind of (noun) do you (verb)?**

## **Did you know?**

There is a reason the examiner asks different questions.

In each question, the examiner is testing something.

They are testing to see if you can use certain language.

You need to know what the examiner is looking for.

For each of of the common questions presented in this book,

here is what the examiner is testing....

## Common Question Types

Do you (verb)?

Are you good at it?

Is (noun) popular in your country?

Did you (verb) as a child?

Do you prefer A or B?

What kinds of ....do you....?

## What is Being Tested

*Can you use tenses related to the **present** ?*

*Can you describe **ability**?*

*Can you talk about **popularity**?*

*Can you use tenses to talk about the **past**?*

*Can you make **comparisons**?*

*Can you use a **wide range** of vocabulary?*



### 3. How to **use** this book

On each page, you will see some **templates** that you can use to answer common IELTS Speaking questions.

1. Read the **question** at the top of each page.
2. Look at the **template** in the **pink box**. Listen to the **audio** and repeat it
3. Look at the **blue box**. Practice using different underlined words/phrases.
4. Finally, look at the **similar questions** and practice answering these on your own too.

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Do you **cook**?

Yes, I do. I cook on a fairly regular basis



I cook

on a regular basis

every now and again

from time to time

once in a blue moon

I've been cooking since I was a child



I've been cooking since

*I was a kid*

*I was at school*

*I was young*



I've been cooking for 2 years



I've been cooking for

5 years

ages

as long as I can remember

I love it!



adore it

am really into it

hate it

am not a big fan

## Similar Questions

Do you **cook**?

Do you **wear jeans**?

Do you **like eating fish**?

Do you **often write with a pen**?

Do you **take photos**?

Do you **go to bed late**?

Do you **like travelling**?

Do you **like going to museums**?

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Are you **good** at it?

Yes, I am good at it.



I

*am a dab hand at it* = ***I am very good at it***

*have a knack for doing...* = ***I am quite skilful***

*can hold my own* = ***I am good enough***

Are you **good** at it?

No, I am pretty bad at it



I am

*hopeless at it*

*terrible at it*

*It's not my forte*

**= not a strength**

## Similar Questions

Are you good at cooking?

Are you good at running?

Are you good at memorising numbers?

Are you good at taking photos?

Are you good at art?

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Is **baking** popular in your country?

Yes, it is.

It's

well-liked

*pretty / fairly / quite trendy*

all the rage

Is **baking** popular in your country?

No, not really.

Most people

*are not into it*

*are not big fans*

*don't care much about it*

## Similar Questions

Is **cooking** popular in your country?

Are **desserts** popular in your country?

Are **international celebrities** popular in your country?

Which **colours** are popular in your country?

What kind of **movies** are popular in our country?

Are **water sports** popular in your country?

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4. **Did you (verb) as a child?**
5. Do you prefer A or B?
6. What kind of (noun) do you (verb)?

Did you **cook** as a child?

Yes, I did.



I

cooked a lot

used to cook a lot

would cook most days

Did you **cook** as a child?

No, I didn't, to be honest.

I

*wasn't into cooking that much*

*wasn't really bothered about it* = **didn't care about it**

*never learnt to cook*

## Similar Questions

Did you take **art classes** at school?

Did you enjoy **taking history classes** at school?

Did you have **science classes** at school?

Were you **patient** when you were young?

Did you have **the same voice** as a child?

Did you **grow any plants** when you were young?



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Do you prefer to travel by **train** or **plane**?

I prefer planes because,

They're

*much* faster/better/cheaper than trains

*far* faster/better/cheaper than trains

*way* faster/better/cheaper than trains

Do you prefer to travel by **train** or **plane**?

I prefer planes because,

They're

much more convenient/useful/interesting than trains

far more convenient/useful/interesting than trains

way more convenient/useful/interesting than trains

## Similar Questions

Do you prefer long breaks or short breaks?

Do you prefer to use a pen or a pencil for writing?

Do you prefer to take photos yourself or have other people take photos?

Are you more tidy at work or at home?

Do you like dark colours or light colours?

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What kinds of **movies** do you **like**?

It depends on my mood really,

Sometimes

I will go for comedies / action movies / thrillers

I enjoy comedies / action movies / thrillers

I am in the mood for comedies / thrillers

## Similar Questions

What kinds of **music** do you like?

What kinds of **cakes** do you like?

What kinds of **films** do you like?

What kinds of **cities** do you like to visit?

What kinds of **water sports** do you like doing?





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