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Speaking

8 tasks **Duration** ≈ 15–20 minutes

Prepare, then speak your response aloud for each task, as in real test conditions.

Task 1 - Giving Advice

Talk to Daniel. Give him advice about whether he should take the new job or stay in his current job, and explain your reasons.

Giving Advice

Your coworker Daniel has been offered a new job at another company. The new job pays more money, but it is farther from his home and he is not sure if the longer commute will be worth it. He has asked you what you think he should do.

TASK

Talk to Daniel. Give him advice about whether he should take the new job or stay in his current job, and explain your reasons.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 2 - Talking about a Personal Experience

Describe this experience in detail. Talk about what happened, when it happened, who was involved, and how you felt. Explain why this achievement was meaningful to you.

Talking about a Personal Experience

Think about a time when you achieved something that was important to you, such as finishing a project, learning a skill, or reaching a personal goal.

TASK

Describe this experience in detail. Talk about what happened, when it happened, who was involved, and how you felt. Explain why this achievement was meaningful to you.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 3 - Describing a Scene

Describe what is happening in the picture in as much detail as possible, as if you are speaking to someone who cannot see it.

Describing a Scene

You are looking at a picture of a busy place in the community.

TASK

Describe what is happening in the picture in as much detail as possible, as if you are speaking to someone who cannot see it.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 4 - Making Predictions

Describe what you think will happen next in this scene and explain why, based on what you can see in the picture.

Making Predictions

You are looking at a picture of a busy outdoor farmers' market.

TASK

Describe what you think will happen next in this scene and explain why, based on what you can see in the picture.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 5 - Comparing and Persuading

First, choose either option A or option B. Then, after you have made your choice, your cousin suggests a newly available option C. Speak to your cousin and persuade him that your original choice is better than option C.

Comparing and Persuading

Your cousin is moving to a new city for a one-year work contract. You are helping him choose a place to live because he wants something practical, comfortable, and within his budget.

TASK

First, choose either option A or option B. Then, after you have made your choice, your cousin suggests a newly available option C. Speak to your cousin and persuade him that your original choice is better than option C.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 6 - Dealing with a Difficult Situation

Talk to your friend. Explain the situation tactfully, tell them what you have decided to do, and try to maintain the friendship while offering another way to help.

Dealing with a Difficult Situation

Your close friend has asked you to help them move to a new apartment on Saturday morning. You had already promised your sister that you would attend her college graduation ceremony at the same time. Your friend is upset because they are counting on you, and your sister will be disappointed if you miss an important family event. You have decided that you must go to the graduation.

TASK

Talk to your friend. Explain the situation tactfully, tell them what you have decided to do, and try to maintain the friendship while offering another way to help.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 7 - Expressing Opinions

Do you agree or disagree that working from home is better than working in an office? Give reasons for your opinion and include examples from your own experience or observations.

Expressing Opinions

Some people believe that employees should work from home whenever possible, while others think people work better in an office.

TASK

Do you agree or disagree that working from home is better than working in an office? Give reasons for your opinion and include examples from your own experience or observations.

PREPARATION NOTES

Task 8 - Describing an Unusual Situation

Describe this unusual situation to your sister so she can clearly understand what is happening and why it is surprising.

Describing an Unusual Situation

You are on the phone with your sister, who cannot see where you are.

TASK

Describe this unusual situation to your sister so she can clearly understand what is happening and why it is surprising.

PREPARATION NOTES



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