



B2 FIRST

SPEAKING

SAMPLE TEST 2

Part 1

2 minutes (3 minutes for groups of three)

Good morning/afternoon/evening. My name is and this is my colleague

And your names are?

Can I have your mark sheets, please?

Thank you.

- Where are you from, (Candidate A)?
- And you, (Candidate B)?

First, we'd like to know something more about you.

Select one or more questions from any of the following categories, as appropriate.

Special occasions

- How often do you go to parties?
- What was the last special occasion you attended?
- Do you enjoy national festivals? (Which ones?)
- Are you looking forward to any special events in the next few weeks? (What?)

Future plans

- Have you got any plans for this evening? (What are they?)
- Do you write down your future plans and arrangements somewhere? (Where? ... Why? / Why not?)
- What do you think you'll be doing this time next year? (Why?)
- Would you ever go on holiday without making a lot of plans? (Why? / Why not?)

Weather

- What's the weather usually like at this time of year in your country?
- How does rain make you feel? (Why?)
- Do you prefer being in places with hot or cold weather? (Why?)
- What's the coldest place you've ever been to? (Why did you go there?)

Part 2

4 minutes (6 minutes for groups of three)

**1 Animals
2 Water****Interlocutor**

In this part of the test, I'm going to give each of you two photographs. I'd like you to talk about your photographs on your own for about a minute, and also to answer a question about your partner's photographs.

(Candidate A), it's your turn first. Here are your photographs. They show **people looking at animals**.

Place **Task 1** photos on **page 4** in front of Candidate A.

I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say **why you think the people are looking at the animals**.

All right?

Candidate A

🕒 1 minute

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Interlocutor

Thank you.

(Candidate B), **do you enjoy looking at animals? (Why? / Why not?)**

Candidate B

🕒 approximately
30 seconds

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Interlocutor

Thank you. (Can I have the booklet, please?) Retrieve **Task 1** photos.

Now, (Candidate B), here are your photographs. They show **people doing something near water**.

Place **Task 2** photos on **page 5** in front of Candidate B.

I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say **what the people are enjoying about being near water**.

All right?

Candidate B

🕒 1 minute

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Interlocutor

Thank you.

(Candidate A), **do you enjoy being near water? (Why? / Why not?)**

Candidate A

🕒 approximately
30 seconds

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Interlocutor

Thank you. (Can I have the booklet, please?) Retrieve **Task 2** photos.

Why are the people looking at the animals?

1



What are the people enjoying about being near water?

2



Part 3 4 minutes (5 minutes for groups of three)

Part 4 4 minutes (6 minutes for groups of three)

Shopping

Part 3

Interlocutor Now, I'd like you to talk about something together for about two minutes.
(3 minutes for groups of three)

Here are some things that people think about when they are deciding whether to buy things online or from a shop and a question for you to discuss. First you have some time to look at the task.

*Indicate the diagram on **page 7** to the candidates. Allow 15 seconds.*

Now, talk to each other about **whether it's better to buy things online or from a shop.**

Candidates

⌚ 2 minutes
(3 minutes for groups of three)

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Interlocutor Thank you. Now you have about a minute to decide **what the main reason is why people choose to go to shops to buy things.**

⌚ 1 minute
(for pairs and groups of three)

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Interlocutor Thank you.

Part 4

Interlocutor Use the following questions, in order, as appropriate:

- **Have you bought anything online recently? (What?)**
- **Why is shopping such a popular free time activity?**
- **Do you think people buy more things because of advertisements? (Why? / Why not?)**
- **Do you prefer shopping online or in a shop? (Why? / Why not?)**
- **Do you think that shopping online will replace real shops one day? (Why? / Why not?)**
- **Some people say we spend too much time looking at screens these days? (Do you agree?)**

Thank you. That is the end of the test.

Select any of the following prompts, as appropriate:

- **What do you think?**
- **Do you agree?**
- **And you?**

