

IELTS Speaking

Frequently asked questions at the start of the test

Part 1

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Some questions are often asked at the start of Part 1 and are worth preparing – most students give boring / repetitive / inaccurate answers:

Tell me a little bit about your hometown.

(What do you like most about your hometown?)

(Is there anything you dislike about your hometown?)

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Topic areas:

1. weather
2. traffic
3. development
4. people

Choose 2

Attitude: positive / negative re the topic: one positive / one negative

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Weather vocabulary:

1. it's boiling hot / absolutely boiling
2. absolutely freezing (cold)
3. quite mild / not too hot / not too cold
4. extremely humid
5. very pleasant / comfortable
6. in summer / all year round / most of the year

