

IELTS Speaking

Part 3: strategies

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Part 3: Strategies: the framework: starting to answer

1. direct answer:
 1. yes / no question: yes / no / it varies
 2. open question: simple direct answer / it varies (various reasons etc)
2. (absolutely) no idea about that (no knowledge / opinion / information)
3. difficult to generalise
4. it depends what you mean by (something)
5. it depends on... (noun)

Part 3: Strategies: the framework: continuation

Continuation options:

1. **more data**: state more / facts / expand position
2. **quantify**: some... / the vast majority of... / others...
3. **condition: if** you mean... then
4. **for example**:
5. **list points**: (no number needed)
6. use key language phrases: eg I think there are bound to be XX / more framework phrases

Return to main point: so.. / summarise

(5) it depends on.. XXX

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I imagine:

some films are successful because there is a great story – really interesting to watch

others perhaps because they have some really famous actors – some people might go to see the film just for that reason

maybe other films because there are amazing special effects- like the Star Wars film and Superman – films like that

so I think there are lots of reasons

