

IELTS SPEAKING BAND 9 ANSWERS

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SCORE FACTORY

“Do. Or do not. There’s no try.”

– Yoda, Jedi

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QUESTION LIST

PART 1

1. Languages
2. Stars
3. Work or studies
4. Movies
5. Haircut
6. Perfume
7. Market
8. Cooking
9. Home/Accommodation
10. Park/Garden
11. Animals
12. Jeans
13. Sky
14. Hometown
15. Colors
16. Walking
17. Travel
18. Plan
19. Countryside
20. Concentration
21. Public holiday
22. Sleep
23. Friends
24. The area you live in
25. Voice
26. Patience
27. Tea/Coffee
28. Music
29. Photos
30. Plants
31. Handwriting
32. Drink water
33. Science class
34. Pen & pencil
35. Water sports
36. Scenery

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- 37. Laugh
- 38. Spending time by yourself
- 39. Number
- 40. Art
- 41. Park
- 42. Cake
- 43. Running
- 44. History
- 45. Break

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PART 2 AND 3 (from page 52)

1. Describe a place you remember well that is full of colors
2. Describe a person who is good at his or her job
3. Describe a toy you liked in your childhood
4. Describe an advertisement you remember well
5. Describe an interesting conversation you had with someone
6. Describe a place (not your home) where you read and write
7. Describe a popular product (e.g. food, handicraft...) made in your region
8. Describe an occasion when you lost something and then got it back
9. Describe a time you were sleepy but had to stay awake
10. Describe a special day that you remember well
11. Describe a person who often travels by plane
12. Describe a person who has interesting ideas or opinions
13. Describe a photograph you like in your room
14. Describe a gift that took you a lot of time to prepare
15. Describe an experience that you played an indoor game with others
16. Describe the advice you received on choosing your major or work
17. Describe an occasion when you got incorrect information
18. Describe an occasion when you invited your family or friends to dinner
19. Describe a time that you gave advice to others
20. Describe an occasion when you met someone for the first time
21. Describe a school you went to in your childhood
22. Describe a new public building you would like to visit
23. Describe an occasion when you celebrated your achievement
24. Describe a beautiful sky you enjoyed seeing
25. Describe a day that made you happy
26. Describe a time when you did not tell a friend the truth
27. Describe a leisure activity you do with your family
28. Describe something useful you borrowed from others
29. Describe an experience that you got bored when you were with others
30. Describe a family member you spend most time with
31. Describe a successful small company
32. Describe an occasion when weather prevented your activity
33. Describe something you bought that was difficult to use at first
34. Describe a piece of important news you got through a text message
35. Describe a crowded place you went to
36. Describe a job that you would not like to do in the future
37. Describe a person in the news who you want to meet
38. Describe a uniform(in school or company) you wear
39. Describe a time when you were excited
40. Describe an article on health you read in magazines or the Internet
41. Describe an occasion when you could not use your mobile phone
42. Describe a performance you watched recently
43. Describe a time when someone apologized to you
44. Describe an ideal house or apartment where you want to live
45. Describe an important journey that was delayed
46. Describe a difficult challenge you met
47. Describe a time when you helped someone

48. Describe a goal you set that you tried your best to achieve
49. Describe an enjoyable journey by public transport
50. Describe a change that can improve your local area
51. Describe a new skill you learned that you think is important
52. Describe a person who taught you knowledge
53. Describe a time you saw an interesting animal
54. Describe a team where you were a member

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Languages (5-8월 예상, 1-4월 예상, 2019-> 9-12월 예상) *

What languages can you speak?

I can only speak two languages. Without a doubt, I can speak Korean as it's my mother tongue. And as you can see, I can also speak English - it's my second language. Although I think I'm still not as good as others.

Do you think it's difficult to learn a new language?

Yes, certainly! I think it takes one's blood, sweat and tears to master a new language because every rule is different. Korean and English, for instance, have big differences in word order, vocabulary and pronunciation. Apart from that, language is not all about words, but it's all about learning their origin and its cultural background.

Will you learn other languages in the future?

Yes, I will. In fact, I'm planning to take a basic Chinese language course as soon as I get my target band score in IELTS. It's not a secret to all of us that Chinese languages, particularly Mandarin, will be in demand in the coming years as their country continues to rise above the others today.

Why do you want to learn English?

I'm a travel buff and it has always been my dream to explore the world. I know that I can only do that if I know how to speak English naturally and fluently. And surely, I'd be able to experience a wide range of locally unique activities in different regions of the world.

Part 2 (5-8월 예상, 1-4월 예상, 2019-> 9-12월 예상) *

Describe a place you remember well that is full of colors

You should say:

Where it is

What it is like

What it is used for

And explain why you remember it well

I'd like to share my impressions of a flower garden that I came across three years ago on my way in search of fresh produce for our small Korean barbeque party. My main reason for visiting Sirao town was to purchase a 10-dollar worth of a sack of lettuce. On my way up the mountainous area, I accidentally saw a colorful side entrance of a specific destination with a bus-load of tourists coming out with contented faces on a bright sunny day of mid-October.

I asked the driver to have a stopover from our 45-minute motorcycle ride, as I also felt numb seated for quite some time in that same position. I went into this top tourist destination with a 2-dollar entrance fee, while the driver had his coffee time and bladder break outside.

It is known by the locals as Sirao Flower Garden, but it has been dubbed to be the "Little Amsterdam" or "Mini Holland" of Cebu. This 8000-square-meter piece of uphill land houses a wide variety of flowers. Luckily, I was able to see celosia, which is the main attraction and only fully blooms in October.

In this unexpected excursion, I remembered correctly that I was greeted with the sight of a white picket fence and rope-guided pebbled pathways that lead to the bottom of the small farm where a little kiosk has been erected. It was a picture-perfect sight that I commonly see online resembling Amsterdam. Not to mention, the aroma of the beautiful and vibrant flowers left tingling, which was a virgin territory for me. It made a selfie-hungry local tourist like me to have a change of heart to allow the flowers to be the center of attention in my snapshots. Most importantly, the yellow and red celosia was the icing on the cake that bloomed in abundance in the month I visited.

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Part 3

Is color important for clothing?

Yes, color plays a huge role in our clothing style mainly because it can evoke or elicit reactions based on one's culture, prior association, or personal preference. When clothing companies change something as simple as changing the shade, hue, saturation, or color combination, it can stir up a completely different feeling for the consumers. In some traditions and culture, a particular hue can be uplifting for one nation but depressing for another. Wearing anything of red color symbolizes good luck, happiness, celebration, or prosperity in Asian culture, but it entails excitement, passion, energy, love or danger in Western countries.

Should coursebooks be colorful?

Yes, I highly recommend that coursebooks ought to be full of vibrant or harmonized color combinations in order to stimulate the readers' attention, especially on the younger demographics. As we can all attest, the visual elements of textbooks like the illustrations, photos, drawings, and others

enhance our comprehension of the subject matter. For primary students in Grade 1 to 4, they tend to perform well and show a better understanding of school reference materials with colored photos and drawings because not only do they help them focus, but they also give them clarity on the actions and situations described in words.

What color do you think people would choose when decorating their houses?

Well, the color preference of an individual when decorating one's house truly depends on many factors. For one, gender is the number one factor, as it is generalized that most males prefer blue, black, grey, and white, while women tend to prefer vibrant ones like yellow, red, orange, violet, and others. This is connected to how each gender either suppress or express their feelings. On top of that, tradition, culture, and history can dictate one's choice of color. As we can all observe, a specific place has its own distinct style that has matching predominant colors like coastal blue or granite gray for the Americans and achromatic colors for the Japanese.

Do you think the color of a company's uniform represents the image of the company?

Yes, I highly agree that the color of a company's uniform symbolizes whatever image or reputation they wish to have. Generally speaking, the prescribed outfit and other corporate apparel scream positive images to both clients and employees. Without them, solidarity or fellowship would be challenging to achieve within the workforce, which a sense of pride would commonly prevail. When employees feel like they belong to a unified team, it leads to a greater sense of equality that could prevent any type of social clash.