

Linguaskill Speaking

Speaking test advice for the candidate

Before the test

- On the Linguaskill website, look at the [sample test](#) and read the information in the [test format and task types](#) section, so that you are familiar with each part and how to move through the test
- Watch the tutorial video

During the test

- Make sure you keep the microphone the same distance from your mouth throughout the test
- Try not to touch the microphone part of your headset because this can create noise/interference
- Try to keep your voice at the same volume level throughout the test

General advice

- Wait until you hear the beep before you start speaking
- Try to speak for all the time available
- The green bar shows you how long you have left to speak
- Make sure you use any preparation time to think about what you're going to say
- Use a pencil and paper to make notes on what you're going to say

Advice for Part 1

- The first two questions in the test are not marked. They are an opportunity to practice giving your answers to a computer
- Try to answer the questions as fully as possible. Try to give examples, expand on your points and where possible use a variety of language (e.g. structures, vocabulary etc.)
- Don't worry if you get interrupted before the end of your answers – you won't be penalised for this

Advice for Part 2

- Try to read the sentences out loud as naturally as possible
- You don't need to read each sentence out loud more than once
- You won't be penalised if you don't use all the time available for this task to read the sentence out loud

Advice for Part 3

- Try to answer the question as fully as possible. Try to give examples, expand on your points and where possible use a variety of language (e.g. structures, vocabulary etc.)
- Make sure you use the preparation time to think about what you're going to say
- Use a pencil and paper to make notes on what you're going to say
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Advice for Part 4

- Don't worry about talking about everything you see – you can pick out what you think are the most important things to talk about
- Try to answer the question as fully as possible. Try to give examples, expand on your points and where possible use a variety of language (e.g. structures, vocabulary etc.)
- Make sure you use the preparation time to think about what you're going to say
- Use a pencil and paper to make notes on what you're going to say
- Don't worry if you get interrupted before the end of your answer – you won't be penalised for this

Advice for Part 5

- Try to answer the questions as fully as possible. Try to give examples, expand on your points and where possible use a variety of language (e.g. structures, vocabulary etc.)
- Use the preparation time to look at the bullet points and think about the topic, what questions you could be asked and the vocabulary you will need to use
- Use a pencil and paper to make notes on what you're going to say
- Don't worry if you get interrupted before the end of your answer – you won't be penalised for this

