

DEBATING, GIVING OPINIONS AND REASONS - C1/C2+ [IELTS SPEAKING PART 3]

Ex. 1: Study the key language in the box below

- "As far as I'm concerned, the most compelling argument is..."
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- "We're gradually moving in a direction where..."
- "Compared to previous generations, people today are far more likely to..."
- "It's highly plausible that..."
- "There's a reasonable chance that [society] will eventually..."
- "The issue is far more complex than it appears on the surface."
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Ex. 2: Discuss the questions below and try to use the key language in the box

Topic 1: Education

1. *How has the role of teachers changed in recent years?*
2. *Do you think traditional classrooms will disappear in the future?*
3. *Should universities focus more on theory or practical skills?*

Topic 2: Technology

1. *In what ways has technology changed the way we work?*
2. *Do you think people rely too heavily on digital devices today?*
3. *What are the potential risks of artificial intelligence?*

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Topic 3: Environment

1. *Why do some people still ignore environmental problems?*
2. *Should governments or individuals take more responsibility for protecting the environment?*
3. *How might climate change affect future generations?*

Topic 4: Work & Careers

1. *Do you think job satisfaction is more important than salary?*
2. *How will automation impact the job market?*
3. *Why do some people change jobs frequently?*

Topic 5: Society & Culture

1. *How has globalisation influenced local cultures?*
2. *Are people today more materialistic than in the past?*
3. *What role do traditions play in modern societies?*

Topic 6: Family & Relationships

1. *How have family roles changed in your country?*
2. *Do you think people today are becoming less connected to their families?*
3. *What impact does social media have on personal relationships?*

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Topic 7: Communication

1. *How has the way people communicate changed over time?*
2. *Do you think face-to-face communication is still important?*
3. *Why do misunderstandings happen so easily in online communication?*

Topic 8: Health

1. *What can governments do to encourage people to live healthier lives?*
2. *Do you think mental health is taken seriously enough today?*
3. *How might healthcare systems change in the future?*

Topic 9: Media & Advertising

1. *How does advertising influence people’s buying decisions?*
2. *Do you think news media can be trusted nowadays?*
3. *What impact does celebrity culture have on society?*

Topic 10: Crime & Law

1. *What are the main reasons people commit crimes?*
2. *Do harsh punishments reduce crime effectively?*
3. *How can communities help prevent youth crime?*