

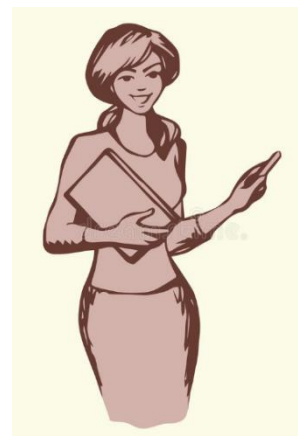
Giving Explanations

In the first part of the speaking test, you are asked questions that require short explanations. These questions end with 'Why/Why not'. Look at these examples:

Do you enjoy going shopping? [Why/Why not?]

Do you think it is better to live in the centre of town or outside in the country? [Why?]

Do you enjoy reading? [Why/Why not?]



You can use simple vocabulary to explain yourself. The following phrases are all you need:

Because

This is the most common word used for explanation.

I don't enjoy shopping because malls are very crowded, and I find it difficult to find what I want.

The main reason is that

Use this phrase to state the most important reason.

I would prefer to live in the countryside. The main reason is that I love being surrounded by nature, it makes me feel calm and content.

For example

You can give an example as a part of your explanation.

I love reading because it helps me to relax. For example, yesterday I was quite stressed, so I read a novel and I forgot my problems. I felt much better afterwards.

Practice Questions

Is there some other hobby or sport you would like to try? [Why?]

In general, do you prefer eating out or eating at home? [Why?]

Do you like people taking photos of you? [Why/Why not?]

Do you enjoy looking for gifts for people? [Why/Why not?]

How often do you ride a bicycle? [Why/Why not?]