



IELTS Speaking Practice Test 21 Topic: Advice

Speaking Part 1

1What should someone do to be happy?

One should always follow their will. They should do what they want to do and not get influenced. Happiness has a variable definition which means that it is different to every individual.

2What according to you should be done to get more free time?

First and foremost thing to do to get more free time is that one should not procrastinate. We can also schedule our work in certain time slots and make sure we complete it in the given time slot.

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3Where do you go to get good advice?

I often try to take my own advice and thoughts because that brings a sense of responsibility and the ability to handle tough situations.

4Whose advice do you follow more, your parents or your friend's advice?

I follow more of the advice that I think or seem fair. I usually make a choice and ask my parents to approve or share their views on it.

Speaking Part 2

Here is an audio of the sample answers given below. Please listen to it for more clarity on the Speaking Test.

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Describe some advice you received from your friend or family member which was useful to you.

You should say:

- What the situation was?
- Who gave you the advice?
- Why do you think this person is very open?
- What the advice was and explain how useful you think the advice was?

Sample Answer

One of the best pieces of advice I ever received was from my father. This incident took place in the junior year of my college. Just like other people of my age, I was also stuck in the dilemma of figuring out what I would like to do with my life. At that time, my father helped me considerably. Rather than pressurizing his decisions or aspirations on me, he left the decision to me. On top of that, one day, he made me sit down and narrated a story, which was inspired from his own life. My father reminisced about the time when he was out of college and took a job in real estate. Afterward, he ended up doing that job for almost seven years. During this period, he told me that most of the time, he was unhappy. Although he had a well-paying job, a beautiful wife and a happy family, he didn't feel that he was rewarded well. He was making a decent amount of money but he could not find happiness. So, he thought of leaving the job and doing something that interested him. Together, we moved to another state and he started a small restaurant with his friend. Here, though he had to struggle a lot, he was enjoying every bit of it. He came home, at the end of every day, relieved and happy. This story taught me an extremely valuable lesson. I must not jump into something that pays well. I should find something that makes my soul happy. Everything else will follow.

Vocabulary for Cue card

- **Incident:** a situation that has happened.
Eg: This **incident** has left a huge mark on my mind.
- **Dilemma:** a situation wherein you have to make a difficult decision
Eg: I am in a **dilemma**, whether to continue with my job or start a business.
- **Considerably:** sizable
Eg: This house is **considerably** larger than the other.
- **Aspirations:** purpose
Eg: My **aspiration** is to become a social media influencer.

Speaking Part 3

1 Have your parents given you much advice?

Of course! Just like everybody's parents, even mine have given me advice. Their way is quite unusual. They don't give advice to make me feel down. But they do so in the form of stories and their own experiences.



2What kind of advice do parents give their children?

Basically, parents must stand by their childrens' side at every step of their growing stage until they have become mature enough to continue with their lives. Generally, parents give advice on tips to study with concentration, how to ride a bike well, which stream to choose, what job to go with, etc.

3What kind of advice do friends give each other?

Seemingly, friends advise each other about their experiences. For instance, if I have tried a restaurant, I would like to advise my friends to try it. Likewise, others share their experiences of travelling to a city, getting stuck in a situation, and more.

4Do you think young people should follow their parents' advice?

It mainly depends on the situation. While there are some pieces of advice that are nothing less than valuable; there are others that may not match your situation. Thus, it depends on whether that advice is matching the situation. If not, you can ignore the same.

Vocabulary for Speaking Part 3

- **Unusual:**not normal or expected
Eg:It's **unusual** for Emma to be this late.
- **Stream:**to move somewhere consistently
Eg:People **stream** out of the Mumbai station in a rushy manner.
- **Seemingly:**something that appears to be true
Eg:She is **seemingly** unaffected by the robbery that took place in her house.
- **Likewise:**in a similar way
Eg:I had to apologize to my parents for the mistake and I compelled my sister to do the **likewise**.
- **Valuable:**worth a lot
Eg:These diamonds are **valuable**.

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