

IELTS Speaking Practice Test 4 Model Answers

Speaking Part 1

What kinds of places are crowded?

Almost everywhere in my city! I would say particularly the streets, however. For one, people really like eating and hanging out on the streets. Secondly, since the old streets are narrow, they tend to become overcrowded with vehicles. Moreover, markets and shopping malls are quite **hectic (stressful)**, as people in my country enjoy shopping.

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Do you like to go to crowded places?

Not one bit! I start to feel extremely overwhelmed and want to exit the area immediately. Moreover, it's unpleasant to be pushed and shoved in overcrowded places. Furthermore, it's even worse in the summer when people are sweating and **have body odor (when your armpits sweat)**!

Why do some people like to go to crowded places?

Hmm, well I guess they like the **chaos (stress)**. For some, it's exciting to watch **madness (craziness)** unfold around them. Furthermore, I think they like the lively feeling that crowded places carry. Perhaps it's interesting to those who come from smaller places.

Are there many animals or birds where you live?

I am living in a big city so most of animals I see are **pets** and some wild birds in the park. My family is also raising a cat which is very adorable. In fact, she is like a friend to me.

How often do you watch programs or read articles about wild animals?

Well, I have never watched any programs about **wildlife** because I rarely have time for TV and also found those rather boring. However, I do know some popular channels like Discovery channel or Geographic Nation.

Have you ever been to a zoo or a wildlife park?

Of course, yes, it used to be my favorite weekend destination when I was a kid. I remember how I was so amused to see a peacock with its colorful **feathers** or a tiger with



its sharp **claws**. Besides that, it is also the only place for city people like me to observe **wild creatures**

Would you like to have a job working with animals?

To be honest, .. I have never thought about it... working with animals sounds pretty interesting but it also requires certain skills and knowledge. I imagine I can be a vet in the future, who knows, what can happen J

Speaking Part 2

Cue Card

Describe a website you use that helps you a lot in your work or studies

You should say :

- what the website is
- how often you use the website
- what information the website gives you and explain how your work or studies would change if this website didn't exist

Today I would like to talk about Facebook which I think is a very useful social website.

As you have probably known, Facebook is a social network site which was invented by Mark Zuckerberg. I think it **has been around** for a couple of years but has gained incredible popularity by its **user-friendliness and practicality**. It does not only help people to connect with their friends but also **acquire new knowledge**.

In the past, I used Facebook mainly to keep in touch with friends but now I used it to learn IELTS. By using my accounts, I can **subscribe** to many useful IELTS studying groups such as ieltsmaterial.com from which I am updated with many strategies and techniques to apply in the test. Therefore, it is like **killing two birds with one stone**, I can both study and relax in the same time.

My life would have been much difficult without Facebook. You know, it is really hard to keep contacts of friends in such a busy world and this website is a wonderful place for me to connect with my friends' lives. Besides that, it is convenient to have updated information about IELTS pop up in my front page **once in a while**.

Speaking Part 3

The Internet

Why do some people find the Internet addictive?

There are many reasons for that phenomenon. The first one can be addicted online games which make people get lost in a fantasy world and slowly lose contact with the real one. The second one is maybe we do not have enough interesting outdoor activities for the young to join; therefore, they have no choice but **glue themselves to the computer screen** all days.

What would the world be like without the Internet?

I was born in the **digital era** so it is very hard for me to imagine a world without Internet connection. Well, I guess, people will **be out of touch with** their friends in the online world; however, maybe people can have more **face-to-face communication** without help of technology.

Do you think that the way people use the Internet may change in the future?

Well it should not change much in the future. Nowadays, people already depend most of their lives on the Internet for example: Facebook, email, Twitter and seem to forget that they have a real life out of computer screens. Of course, there is no doubt about its benefits like storing data online, making international calls, searching information. Despite all those things, Internet should be used more like a tool rather than making it an addicted and harmful habit.

Social media can be helpful due to its ability to spread information in an incredible speed. This strength has been applied successfully in campaigns to **voice out** social concerns. For example, Earth Hour is an annual international event where the whole world turns off all electricity to send the message of saving energy and protecting environment. Once the event **goes viral**, it immediately catches attention of millions of people, as a result, **the message can get across** widely and effectively.

Probably it's because Internet is the place of speech freedom, moreover, people can speak anything without truly **holding accountable** for their actions. On social media website, people can be anonymous or even be anyone that they like. If a person is jealous with or hate another person, he or she can go online to trigger negative views about that person, however, this kind of feedback is usually not credible and trustworthy.

Do you think that companies' main form of advertising will be social media in the future?

Oh yeah, I truly believe that. In fact, we can see that trend even now where majority of



companies are investing money more on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter, especially their target customers are Millennials who Google everything. Although we cannot neglect the role of traditional advertisement like newspaper, TV or billboard, I believe online ads will dominate in the future.

Absolutely not. In fact, I think it is counter-productive. On social media, you are only seeing what other people allow you to see. You don't get the whole picture. You only see the best moments of other people's lives. This leads you to believe, that everyone's lives – except for yours – are perfect, which is definitely not the case.

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