Preliminary (PET) Speaking Part 3

In part 3 of the Preliminary (PET) Speaking Exam you will be asked to describe a picture to the examiner for approximately one minute.

Here is an example of a Preliminary (PET) Speaking Exam Part 3. Practise with a partner.

Now, I’d like each of you to talk on your own about something. I’m going to give each of you a photograph of people with books.

(Candidate A), here is your photograph. Please show it to (Candidate B), but I’d like you to talk about it. (Candidate B), you just listen. I’ll give you your photograph in a moment.

(Candidate A), please tell us what you can see in your photograph.

Approximately one minute

Thank you.

Now, (Candidate B), here is your photograph. It also shows people with books. Please show it to (Candidate A) and tell us what you can see in the photograph.

Approximately one minute

Thank you.

Preliminary (PET) Speaking Part 4

In Part 4 of the Preliminary (PET) Speaking Exam you will be asked to speak with your partner about the same topic that you saw in the pictures in Part 3. The examiner will introduce the topic and ask you to speak together. You should speak for approximately 3 minutes.

Here is an example of a Preliminary (PET) Speaking Exam Part 4. Practise with a partner.

Your photographs showed people with books. Now, I’d like you to talk together about reading books for fun and reading books to study.

Allow the candidates enough time to complete the task without intervention.

Use the back-up prompts only if necessary.

Thank you. That’s the end of the test.

Back-up prompts

- Talk about reading for fun.
- Talk about using books to study.
- Talk about books you have read recently.
- Talk about your favourite types of books.