

PART 1

Exercise 1

2 (You only talk to the examiner in Part 1) and 6 (Your questions will cover several topics).

Exercise 2

- 1 Do you ever wish you lived in a different part of the world?
- 2 What do you enjoy most about learning English?
- 3 Do you ever wish you lived in a different part of the world?
- 4 What do you enjoy most about learning English?
- 5 What is the next event you plan to celebrate?

Track 02

Examiner: What is the next event you plan to celebrate?

Julia: Sorry, I didn't quite catch that.

Examiner: What is the next event you plan to celebrate?

Julia: Well, actually, it's my 18th birthday next week! It is quite a big deal here since you are considered an adult once you're 18. I'm not much of a party person, so it's going to be quite a low-key celebration with my family and a few close friends, but the best thing is my parents are paying for driving lessons! I'll have to borrow their car at first, but I plan to buy my own car when I pass my driving test. I can't wait.

Examiner: What do you enjoy most about learning English?

Julia: Mm, let me see ... I haven't really thought about it before. I suppose I like being able to translate things for my family and friends and also help out English-speaking tourists who visit my home town. Most of them really appreciate finding someone who can explain things to them in their own language. What else? Well, I guess I enjoy it because compared to other subjects, it really challenges me.

Examiner: Do you ever wish you lived in a different part of the world?

Julia: I don't know. I mean, on the one hand, I really like where I come from; there are many positives about living there, but on the other hand I like the idea of living somewhere warmer – say, for example, Latin America maybe, near the beach, somewhere, you know, ... what's the word, er..., with less people and technology. I'd want to take my family with me, though, and I'm not sure they'd want to go. And I'd also need to learn Spanish first.

Exercise 3

- 1 e
- 2 c
- 3 f
- 4 b
- 5 a
- 6 f
- 7 d
- 8 b
- 9 b/c
- 10 a

Exercise 4

- 1 I'd have to say
 - 2 The main reason
 - 3 to be honest
 - 4 if you ask me
 - 5 The other thing is
 - 6 Would you mind repeating that, please
 - 7 On top of that
 - 8 that's a difficult question
- Speaker 1, Question 2
Speaker 2, Question 8
Speaker 3, Question 3
Speaker 4, Question 7

Track 03

Narrator: 1

Student 1: Well, I'd have to say it's my great grandmother. Not many people are lucky enough to know their grandmother's mother. The main reason I admire her is that she's lived through so much, including becoming a widow when she was in her 20s, and still managed to raise and provide for her family, all on her own. She has such strength of character. She's had a hard life but keeps on smiling.

Narrator: 2

Student 2: Not very much, to be honest. It's a bit of a waste of time, if you ask me, especially when you're very busy like I am. The other thing is I actually live really close to most of my friends, so I prefer to meet up with them in person. I do have an Instagram account, though, and I occasionally share photos, but not on a regular basis.

Narrator: 3

Student 3: I'm sorry. Would you mind repeating that, please? I think I'd be good at any kind of work with people and I love travelling, so maybe a tour guide or travel agent, something like that. On top of that, I'd like to use my languages in my job if possible because I've spent many years studying them.

Narrator: 4

Student 4: Well, that's a difficult question. I guess I'd have to say my favourite place was Budapest. You see, I'm an architecture student and there were so many beautiful buildings to see. I went with a group of fellow students and we enjoyed the nightlife too. One night we took a party cruise on the Danube and it was unforgettable.

Exercise 5

- 1 Would you mind repeating that, please?
- 2 That's a tough question.
- 3 The other thing is
- 4 On top of that
- 5 The main reason
- 6 To be honest
- 7 I'd have to say
- 8 If you ask me

Exercise 6

- 1 'm a huge fan of
- 2 are into (sports) in a big way
- 3 have in common
- 4 We are fortunate that
- 5 an Olympic-sized
- 6 have the same taste in
- 7 do cover versions of
- 8 competent musicians

The recorded version as the candidate better demonstrates more advanced level grammatical and lexical (vocabulary) structures.

Track 04

Well, yes and no. For example, I'm a huge fan of reading while they are into sports in a big way, especially team sports. Actually, the only sport we have in common is swimming. We are fortunate that we have an Olympic-sized pool in our town, and we often hang out there at the weekend. We do all have the same taste in music, though. In fact, some of us play music together. Usually we do cover versions of our favourite groups. If I am honest, we are not very competent musicians, but we enjoy it and that's all that matters.

Exercise 7

- 1 cruise
- 2 great uncle
- 3 manual work
- 4 horror films
- 5 commuters
- 6 leap year

Track 05

Narrator: 1

Speaker: Well, my favourite trip was when I went on a, um, it's like a boat hotel where you visit lots of different places and have entertainment on board.

Narrator: 2

Speaker: Well, strangely enough, the person who has influenced me most was my, er, the brother of my grandmother.

Narrator: 3

Speaker: I think I'd be good at, you know, the kind of work you do with your hands, as I'm very practical.

Narrator: 4

Speaker: I can't stand ... er, ... those films with monsters and ghosts and stuff.

Narrator: 5

Speaker: The problems with local transport here is that it gets really busy during rush hour, making it difficult for ... er, you know, people who need to travel to work in the city every day.

Narrator: 6

Speaker: I was born in a, a, you know, a year when there is an extra day in February.

Exercise 8

Sample answers

- 1 a kind of holiday where the flight, hotel and everything is included
- 2 your brother's wife or your husband or wife's sister
- 3 an animal with humps that lives in the desert
- 4 a person who sets a good example for others and is usually respected
- 5 a man on his wedding day getting married
- 6 someone who uses social media to criticise or even persecute other people online