

FIRST FOR SCHOOLS – SPEAKING PART 4 (LONG TURN) – POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. Would you like to be able to speak lots of languages?
2. Do you think some people are naturally better at languages than others?
3. Some people say they feel like a different person when they're speaking a different language. What do you think?
4. How long does it take to learn a foreign language?
5. If you decided to study in a country where the first language is different from your own, what challenges might you face?
6. Some people say the best way to learn a language is to make Friends with people who speak that language. What do you think?
7. Should schools encourage students to find out about the news? Why/Why not?
8. Do you think 24-hour news channels on television are useful? Why/Why not?
9. In your opinion, are people more interested in good news or bad news? Why?
10. Some people say there is too much information available in today's world. Do you agree? Why/Why not?
11. Do you believe everything you read on the Internet? Why/Why not?
12. Do you think people are too interested in finding out about the lives of celebrities? Why/Why not?
13. How can people be encouraged to take exercise?
14. Some people say it's the government's responsibility to help people understand how to be healthy. What do you think?
15. Do you think it's important for everyone to be able to cook for themselves? Why/Why not?
16. Is it a good idea for families to eat at least one meal together every day? Why/Why not?
17. Is it important to read labels on food before you buy it? Why/Why not?
18. Do you think people lead healthier lifestyles now than in the past? Why/Why not?
19. Can you identify some negative effects of technology?
20. Do you think technology can become addictive?
21. Why are young people more comfortable with technology than many older people?
22. Should schools teach their students how to use technology?
23. Can technology cause social problems?
24. What can students learn from going on school trips? Why?
25. Do you think students should go on school trips? Why?
26. Should students decide where they go on school trips?
27. Some people say students learn more outside the classroom than in lessons. What do you think?
28. Where would be good to go for a school trip in your area?
29. Some students go on school trips to other countries? Do you think this is a good thing to do? Why?
30. Do you enjoy talking to older people? Why?
31. Why do you think older and younger people sometimes have difficulty understanding each other?
32. Should young people always do what older people tell them to? Why/Why not?
33. How important do you think it is to have special facilities for young people in a town? Why?

34. Do you think adults and teenagers always enjoy the same leisure activities? Why/Why not?
35. Some people say that teenagers have too much free time? Do you agree?
36. What are useful ways to spend free time?
37. Is it better to take part in organised activities during your free time or just relax at home?
38. Should older teenagers help look after younger children during the holidays? Why?
39. How important is it to take part in community activities with people in your neighbourhood? (for example, tidying up the local park)
40. What do you think people can do in the future to reduce pollution in your neighbourhood?
41. Is it important to look after the environment? Why?
42. How can students take care of the environment?
43. Do you think that older people are more interested in protecting the environment than teenagers?
44. Should the government make recycling compulsory for everybody? Why/Why not?
45. Have you and your friends done anything to help the environment recently? What was it?
46. What's the most enjoyable school event you've ever been to? Why was it so good?
47. How important do you think it is for schools to organise after-school activities?
48. Do you think it's better for after-school events to be for just one age group or for all ages of students? Why do you think that?
49. When do you think is the best time of year for schools to organise after-school events? Why?
50. Some people say schools shouldn't organise extra events for their students, they should just teach lessons. Do you agree?
51. Should parents know about everything that happens in lessons at school? Why?
52. Do you think reading is a less important skill than it used to be?
53. Is it better to read a printed book or read a book on an electronic device? Why?
54. How do you decide which books or magazines you're going to read?
55. What books would you recommend to other people of your age?
56. Which do you prefer – reading a book or watching a film? Why?
57. When and where are you most likely to spend time reading?