

SPEAKING TEST – B2**PART 1 (1-2 minutes per candidate)**

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Candidates are asked questions regarding personal information.

- **House & Home:** Where are you from and what's your hometown like?
- **Leisure & Hobbies:** What new interest might you start if you had time?

PART 2 (2-3 minutes per candidate)

MONOLOGUE

Candidates are asked to read a short text and speak about a topic, giving their opinion and relating it to their own experience with relevant examples.

Before the speaking test, candidates are given 6-7 minutes to read the text and take notes to organise their ideas into a structured monologue in the preparation room.

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You have 6 minutes to read the text and take notes to give a structured monologue in which you give your opinion and relate it to your own experience with relevant examples.

In the speaking test, you can refer to your notes but you cannot read word for word.

TOPIC: WORK AND HOLIDAYS**Richard Branson offers workers unlimited holiday**

Sir Richard Branson, the boss of the *Virgin Investment Group*, is offering his personal workers as much holiday time as they want. He said that employees can decide if and when they want to take a few hours a day, a week or a month off, but they can only do it when they feel 100% comfortable that their absence will not have a negative impact on the business.

PART 3 (about 3 minutes per candidate)

INTERACTION

Candidates are asked to discuss together the topic considering the statement and prompts given. They are expected to exchange opinions and feelings and support their viewpoints with relevant examples.

EDUCATION

You and your partner have been asked to take part in a radio programme of your language school.

The topic this week is:

“Higher education guarantees a better job.”



Consider the ideas below and discuss them with your partner.

- the situation now and in the past
- type of university degrees and jobs
- parents' vs. students' attitudes