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Part 2: Cue Card

1. Course that impressed you

Describe a lesson that you remember well

You should say:

- when it was
- where it was
- what you did
- what your teacher did
- why it was special

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What can people do to help themselves remember information for their everyday needs?
2. What do you think of people using calendars to remind themselves of things?
3. What kinds of things do people forget easily?
4. How can people improve their memory?
5. Why do sometimes people forget things they don't want to do?
6. Which do you think is more important to remember, a business meeting or a meeting with a friend?
7. Why is it difficult for some people to remember things?
8. What kinds of people are more forgetful?
9. In what situations is it important to remember information very well?
10. Which is better for keeping childhood memories, photos or videos?
11. Can people rely on their memory when recalling events from the past?
12. Do you think keeping a diary can lead to creating false memories?
13. Why do people remember very little about things that happened to them in early childhood?
14. What childhood memories do people usually have?
15. Do you think technology helps people remember past events?
16. What memories are most important for people?
17. Is it possible that technology will replace human memory?

Part 2: Cue Card

2. Long Walk

Describe a long walk you had

You should say:

- where it was
- who you were with
- why it was long
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. In general, who do you think has more leisure time, men or women?
2. Do you think that people today have more leisure time than people in the past?
3. What is the difference in the way people spend their free time nowadays and 20 or 30 years ago?
4. What do people in your country do in their spare time?
5. Is leisure time important for everyone?
6. What types of outdoor activities are popular in your country?
7. Which do you think are better indoor or outdoor games?

Part 2: Cue Card

3. Thing you did to learn a language

Describe a thing you did to learn a language

You should say:

- what language you learned
- what you did
- how it helped you
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What is the value of traditions?
2. Do you think traditions are important?
3. What different types of traditional products are produced in your country?
4. Why do traditional products attract tourists?
5. Why are traditional products important?
6. Why do people like to buy imported products?

Part 2: Cue Card

4. Special cake you received

Describe an occasion when you received a special cake

You should say:

- what kind of cake it was
- when you had it
- who gave it to you
- why it was special

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Is it important to have a meal together with your family?
2. Do people in your country care about where products are from?
3. Do you think people are fully responsible for what they eat?
4. Is it important for people to learn about foreign foods?

Part 2: Cue Card

5. Gift you want to buy

Describe a gift you'd like to buy for your friend

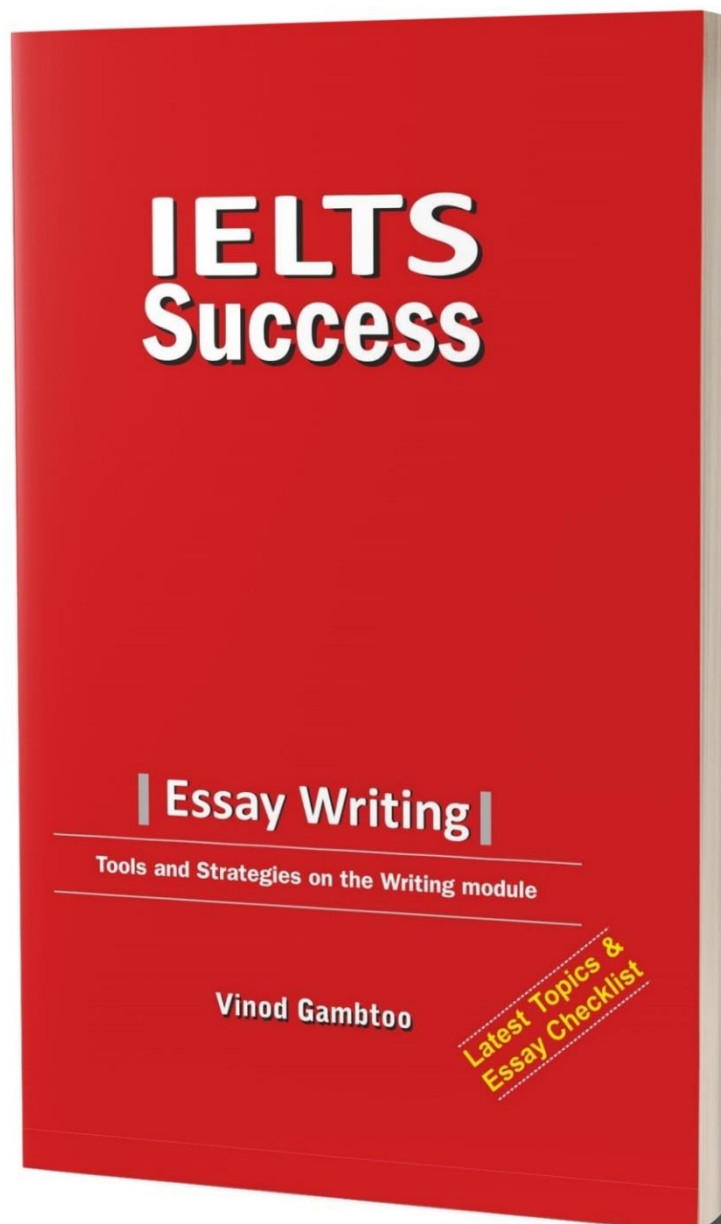
You should say:

- what gift you want to buy
- who you would like to give it to
- why you would to buy a gift
- why you've chosen that gift

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Why is it sometimes difficult to buy or choose a gift for someone?
2. Is the price of a gift important?
3. Will people feel happy when receiving an expensive gift? (frequently asked)
4. What gifts are popular in your country?
5. Do you like giving gifts?
6. Why do people give gifts?
7. Do you think parents are made to give too many gifts nowadays?
8. Is it better to give practical gifts?
9. Do men and women have the same attitude toward giving gifts?
10. Is gift-giving important for the economy of a country?
11. What gifts would parents give to children?
12. What factors do parents consider when choosing a gift for children?
13. Why do companies give free gifts to people?
14. Have you ever received anything that was made by the giver?
15. When receiving a gift, do you prefer something that was self-made or something bought in stores?





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6. Happy event you organized

Describe a time when you prepared for a happy event successfully

You should say:

- what the event was
- when and where it was
- say whether it was easy or difficult
- how you prepared

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. How can parents help children to be organized?
2. What factors should people consider organizing events?

Part 2: Cue Card

7. Interesting Discussion

Describe an interesting discussion you had with your friend

You should say:

- what it was about
- what opinions you and your friend had
- why it was interesting
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Should parents request their kids to obey?
2. What jobs need employees to be talkative?
3. In what industries do you think communication is a necessary skill?
4. When do children begin to have their own ideas?
5. Do children like to change opinions?
6. Do children have strong opinions?
7. How can teachers help children develop their ideas and opinions?
8. Do you think children will always have ideas and opinions similar to those of their parents?

Part 2: Cue Card

8. Clothes as a gift

Describe a piece of clothes that you received as a gift

You should say:

- when you received the clothes
- what the piece of clothes was like
- who gave it to you
- explain how you feel about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Have you ever given clothes to others?
2. Do you think students need to wear school uniforms?
3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of wearing uniforms?
4. Why do some people like to wear traditional clothes?
5. Why do people from different countries wear different traditional clothes?
6. What kinds of clothes should people wear at work?
7. Do you think people should wear formal clothes in the workplace?
8. Do old people change their style of dressing?
9. Does personality affect how people choose what to wear?
10. Can you say something about a person's character judging by the clothes they wear?
11. What kinds of clothes do people wear after work?
12. What clothes do you like?
13. When should people wear formal clothes?
14. Do people wear formal clothes more often than before?

Part 2: Cue Card

9. New place you visited

Describe a new place that you visited

You should say:

- what place it was
- why you went there
- what you did there
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Why do some young people go to college or university far from home?
2. What difficulties do people usually face when they start a new job?
3. What is the hardest thing about getting into a new job?
4. Is it possible for humans to live on another planet?
5. Do you think money spent on space exploration is a complete waste?
6. How can humans benefit from space research in the future?
7. How do young and old people react differently to new things?
8. How do young children react when they go to school for the first time?

Part 2: Cue Card

10. Something that was broken in your home

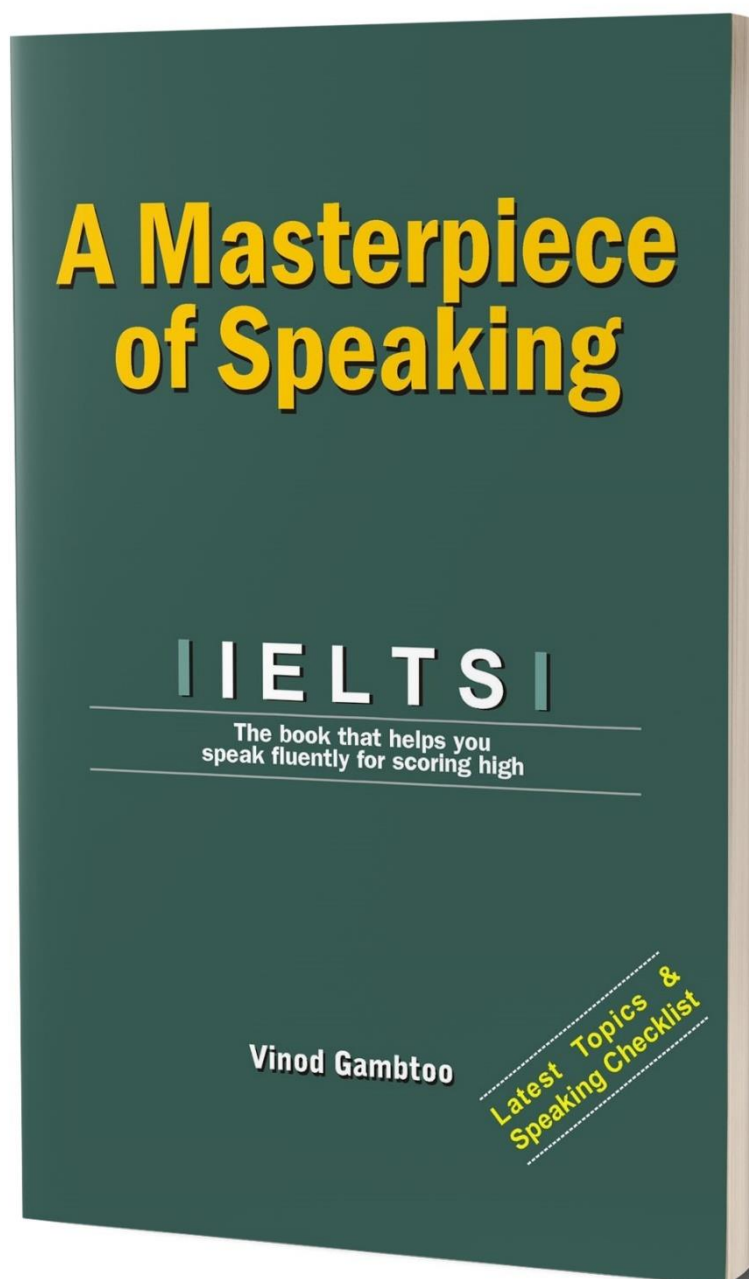
Describe something that was broken in your home and then repaired

You should say:

- what it is
- how it was broken
- how it was repaired
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Is the quality of products worse than before?
2. Are IT-related jobs valued more by society?
3. What kinds of things do people like to repair by themselves?
4. What things are easier to fix?
5. Why do people like to get their mobile phones repaired in specialised stores?



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Part 2: Cue Card

11. Interesting city

Describe an interesting city

You should say:

- what city it is
- how you know it
- what it is famous for
- why do you think it is beautiful

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What changes do you think cities need to make now?
2. Is it good for elderly people to live in large cities?
3. Do most elderly people live in cities?
4. Do you think youngsters living in the countryside want to go to live in the city?
5. Do you think well-developed tourism will have negative effects on local communities?
6. What advantages can tourism bring to a city?

Part 2: Cue Card

12. Interesting song

Describe a song that means something special to you

You should say:

- what this song is about
- when you heard this song for the first time
- how often do you listen to this song
- why it is special to you

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What kinds of music do you like to listen to?
2. What kinds of music are most popular in your country?
3. Why do many young people spend a lot of money on music concerts?
4. Why do some people like to listen to live music while others prefer CDs?
5. Do you think music concerts are suitable for old people to attend?

Part 2: Cue Card

13. Place in the village you visited

Describe a place in the village you visited

You should say:

- what place it is
- when you went there
- what you did there
- how you feel about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Is it possible that all of the population move to cities?
2. Will people live in the countryside in the future?
3. Why do people like to go to the countryside?
4. Do you think youngsters living in the countryside want to go to live in the city?
5. What do people like to do in the countryside?

Part 2: Cue Card

14. Person you follow on social media

Describe a person you follow on social media

You should say:

- who this person is
- how do you know this person
- what this person posts on social media
- explain why you follow this person

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What do people do on social media?
2. What are the advantages and disadvantages of social media?
3. What kind of things are popular on social media?
4. Is it easy to find real friends on a social networking website?
5. What kind of people do you like to be friends with on those websites?
6. What kind of social networking websites do you like to use?

Part 2: Cue Card

15. House or apartment you'd like to live in

Describe a house or apartment you would like to live in

You should say:

- what kind of accommodation it will be
- where it will be
- if it will be big or small
- what it will look like

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Should the government guarantee everyone a place to live?
2. What impact do the climate and the environment have on the design of buildings?
3. Do people in your country mostly buy their own home or do they rent their home?
4. Do most people in your country live in a flat or a house?
5. What are the benefits of living in a house?
6. Why do most people in your country live in flats rather than houses?
7. Do you think the design of a home is important?

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Part 2: Cue Card

16. Story you remember

Describe a story someone told you and you remember

You should say:

- what this story is about
- who told you this story
- when you heard it
- why do you remember it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Why do children like hearing the same bedtime story?
2. Why do children like stories?
3. What kind of stories do children like to listen to?
4. What can a child learn from a story?

Part 2: Cue Card

17. Something you received for free

Describe a product or service that you got for free

You should say:

- what it was
- how you got it
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What free gifts do companies usually give to their customers?
2. Why do companies give free gifts to people?

Part 2: Cue Card

18. Person you met once and want to know more about

Describe a person you met only once and you want to know more about

You should say:

- who this person is
- how you met this person
- when you met this person
- why you want to know more about this person

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. How do people make friends in India?
2. On what occasions do people like to make friends?
3. Is it important to have the same hobbies and interests when making friends?
4. What qualities make true friends?

Part 2: Cue Card

19. Something you can't live without

Describe something you cannot live without (not a computer or phone)

You should say:

- what it is
- how you use it
- how often you use it
- how it helps you and why you cannot live without it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Do you think that keeping old things in a family is a great way to connect with the past?
2. Why do grown-ups hate to throw away old things?
3. Which do you think are better, old things or new things?
4. How do shops attract customers?
5. What makes people buy new things?
6. Has the way of doing shopping changed?

Part 2: Cue Card

20. Rule you don't like

Describe a rule that you do not like

You should say:

- what it is
- why you do not like it
- what others feel about it
- whether you follow the rule

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. How are people punished when they park in the wrong place?
2. What are some rules that exist in schools or workplaces in your country?
3. What are some examples of rules that exist in many families?
4. What rules should children follow at home?
5. What can teachers do to make students obey rules?
6. Do you think the students themselves should have a say in what school rules to have?
7. Why do some people refuse to abide by rules?

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Part 2: Cue Card

21. Toy

Describe a toy that you liked when you were a child

You should say:

- what the toy was
- who gave it to you
- how you used this toy
- explain how you felt when you got this toy

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. Do you think advertising that targets children should be banned?
2. How do ads influence children?
3. Do you agree that the fact that children are targeted by many companies as potential consumers spoil their childhood?
4. What toys are popular with boys and girls in your country now?
5. How do toy companies make children collect their range of toys?
6. Do you think some parents spend too much money on toys?
7. Some people say that adults can learn a lot from playing with kids. Do you agree?

Part 2: Cue Card

22. Person who contributes to the society

Describe a person who contributes to the society

You should say:

- who this person is
- how you know the person
- how this person helps others
- how you feel about what this person does

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What kinds of jobs are well-paid in your country?
2. What jobs do young people prefer?
3. What will be the most popular jobs in the future?
4. What are the benefits and disadvantages of working from home? What are the impacts of the epidemic on the work environment?
5. What are the disadvantages of working flexitime?

Part 2: Cue Card

23. Ambition you haven't achieved

Describe an ambition you haven't achieved

You should say:

- what it is
- why you haven't achieved it
- what you did
- how you felt about it

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What kinds of ambitions do people usually have?
2. What would you feel if you could not achieve your goals?
3. Do you think nowadays people have a better work-life balance than in the past?
4. How do people balance life and work?

Part 2: Cue Card

24. Person you like to spend time with

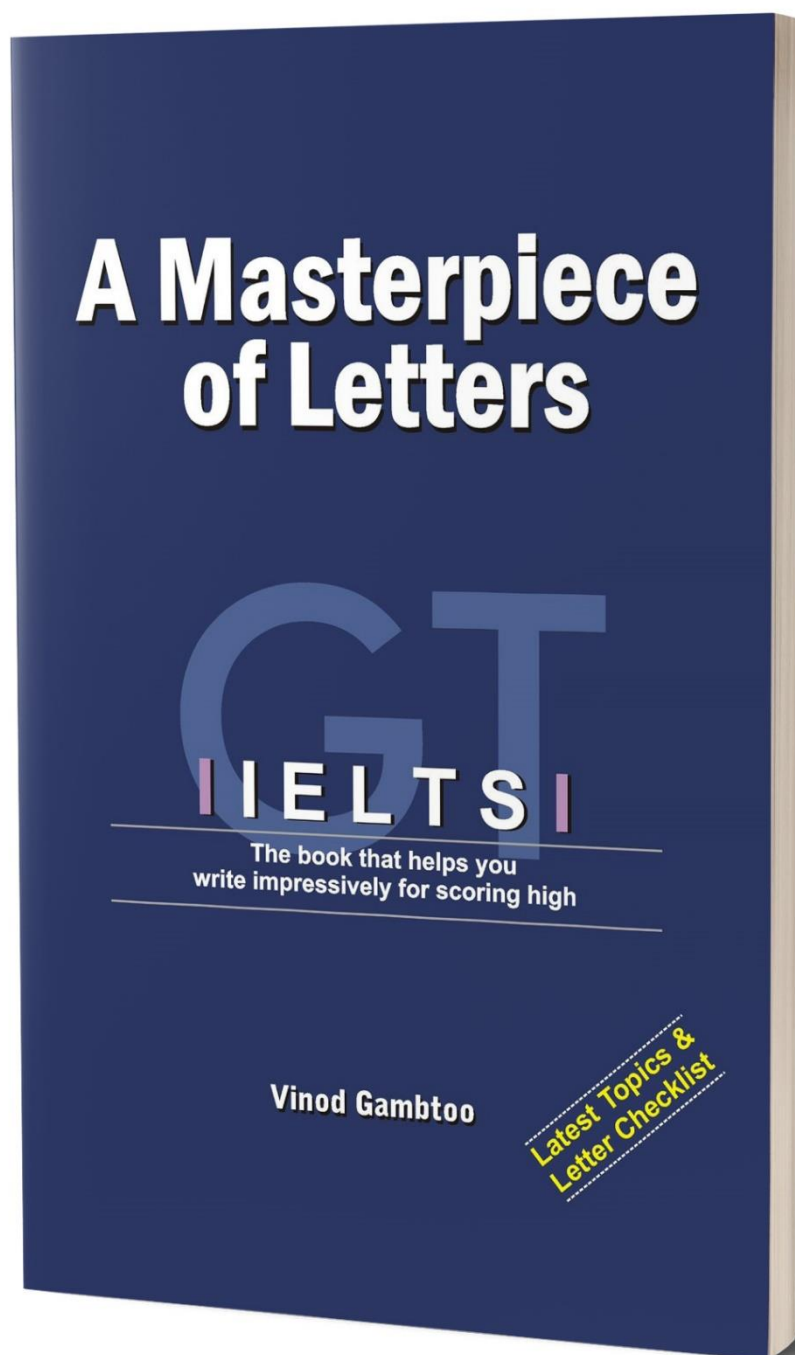
Describe a person that you like to spend time with

You should say:

- who this person is
- how you know this person
- what you like to do together
- why you like to spend time with this person

Part 3: Follow-up questions

1. What kinds of people are easy to get along with?
2. Why do many people nowadays say there are not enough hours in the day?
3. Do people have enough time for themselves?
4. Why do young people like to talk to old people?
5. How do you get along with people you do not like?



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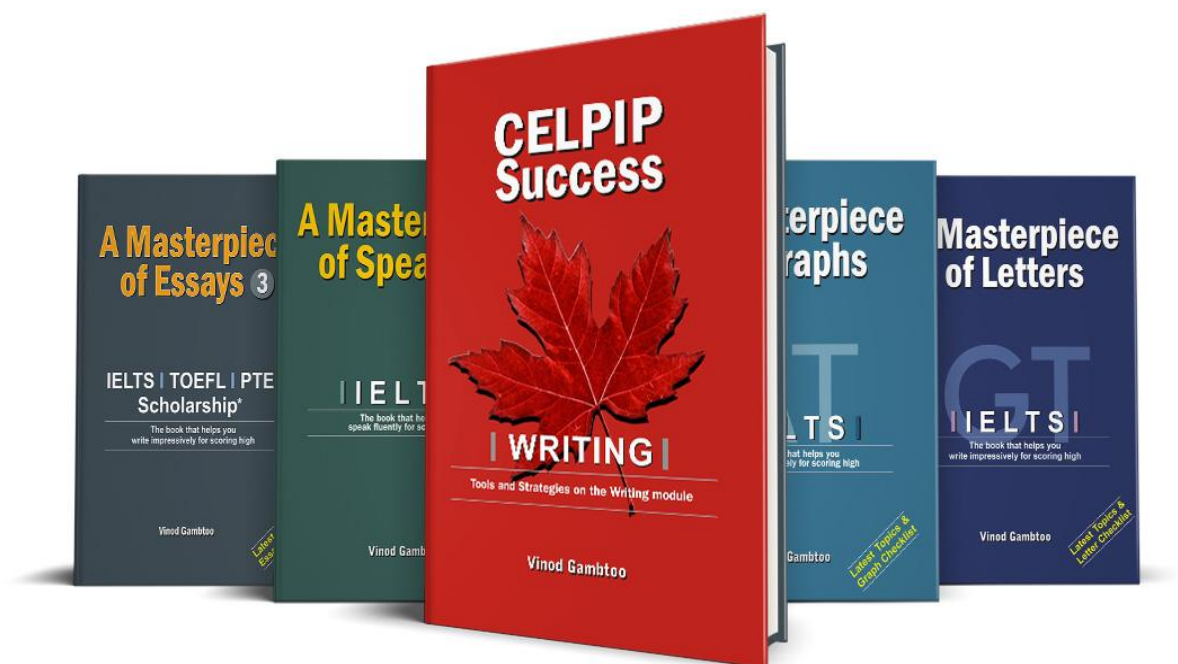


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