

Speaking Part 1

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Yes, she does.

Audioscript

- Examiner:** What's your name?
Maria: My name's Maria.
Examiner: What's your surname?
Maria: It's Moretti.
Examiner: Where do you come from?
Maria: I come from Rome, in Italy.
Examiner: Do you work, or are you a student?
Maria: I'm a student.

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Audioscript

- Examiner:** What did you do yesterday evening?
Maria: Yesterday evening I went to the cinema with some friends. I often watch films with my friends because we all enjoy the same kinds of films.
Examiner: Do you think that English will be useful to you in the future?
Maria: Yes, I think it will be very useful. I want to work for an international company, so I hope I'll travel to different countries with my job, and I'm sure I will need English.
Examiner: Tell us about a place you would like to visit in the future.
Maria: I'd love to go to New York one day because it looks such an exciting city. My uncle lives there, so I hope I can go and visit him soon.
Examiner: Can you describe your house or flat?
Maria: My flat is quite small, because I just share it with one friend. The kitchen is very small, but the living room is quite big. Also, it's got a balcony, and I really like sitting there in the evening.
Examiner: What do you enjoy doing in your free time?
Maria: Well, I'm quite into sport, so I do quite a lot of sport in my free time. For example, I sometimes go running in the evenings and I often play tennis at the weekend. I also like spending time with friends. My friends are very important to me.

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- 1 often
- 2 and
- 3 because
- 4 Actually
- 5 but
- 6 Also
- 7 so
- 8 for example

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present simple	past simple	<i>be going to</i>
always sometimes usually	last night last weekend when I was younger	next weekend tomorrow tonight

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- 1 B + I
- 2 D + H
- 3 A + F
- 4 E + J
- 5 C + G

Audioscript

- Examiner:** Tell us about your English teacher.
Pablo: My English teacher is called Mr Adams, and he's from Manchester. He's really funny, and I like him because he always makes our lessons interesting. I think he's a really good teacher.
Examiner: Would you like to live in a different country?
Pablo: I'd like to visit different countries, for example the United States or maybe Australia, to get some experience of what life is like there. But I wouldn't like to for long, because I'd miss my family and friends at home.
Examiner: Can you tell us about your home town?
Pablo: My home town is Barcelona, in the north-east of Spain. It's a big city, and there are lots of beautiful buildings which are very famous. I like it because it's very friendly, and there are lots of cafés where you can meet your friends. Also, it's on the coast, so you can go to the beach in the summer.
Examiner: How do you usually travel to school or work?
Pablo: I usually catch the bus to school. It takes about half an hour for me to get there. I'd prefer to walk, but it's too far for me to walk every day.
Examiner: What did you do last weekend?
Pablo: On Saturday I played football for my team. We usually have a match every Saturday. Unfortunately, we didn't win last week. Then on Sunday I met my friends, and we went to the beach because it was very hot.

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- 1 because
- 2 for example
- 3 which
- 4 but
- 5 Unfortunately

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Students' own answers.

Speaking Part 2

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They might be in a car park. They are probably friends.

Audioscript

Pablo: The picture shows two teenagers playing basketball outdoors. I think they might be in a car park or something like that. It isn't a very attractive place, because there are no flowers, and there isn't any grass. It's a cloudy day, and it doesn't look very warm because one of the boys is wearing long sleeves. The two boys are at the front of the photo, in the middle, and at the back we can see a basketball net, and some buildings. They look like garages or sheds, something like that. On the left, you can see some houses in the background. The boys aren't actually playing a game, but they're practising. One of the boys is wearing a stripy top, with a hood, and he's holding the ball above his head. He seems to be aiming for the net, which is quite a long way away. The other boy, who's short and has dark hair, is running forwards. I think maybe he's going to catch the ball. I guess the two boys are probably friends because they don't look like brothers.

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- 1 at the front
- 2 right
- 3 left
- 4 behind
- 5 In the background

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- 1 are travelling
- 2 is talking
- 3 is showing
- 4 is looking; is thinking
- 5 is standing; is talking

Audioscript

Pablo: The picture shows some people who are travelling by bus. There are two women at the front of the picture, on the left. They're smiling, and one woman is showing the other one something on her phone. On the right, there's an older man. He's looking forwards. I'm not sure what he's looking at, but maybe he's thinking about where to get off the bus. In the background, at the back of the bus, there's a man. He's standing up and I think he's talking to another passenger.

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- 1 probably
- 2 might
- 3 looks
- 4 seem
- 5 guess

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Students' own answers.

Audioscript

Maria: The photo shows two people sitting in a living room in a house, a teenager and an older man. I think they're probably father and son. The teenager, who's on the right, is wearing a pullover and jeans, and the older man is wearing a blue shirt and jeans. He's got grey hair. The sitting room looks quite modern, and the sofa looks very comfortable. In the background, on the left, you can see some photos on a table. On the right, you can see some books. They might be watching TV because you can see that they're looking at something, and there is a remote control, or something like that on the sofa on the right. They're eating something from a box, some kind of a takeaway. It looks like pizza. They seem to be quite relaxed. I guess they're probably having a relaxing evening at home.

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Students' own answers.

Speaking Part 3

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Yes, they do. They agree on two cinema tickets.

Audioscript

Maria: So, shall we start with the book? What do you think about that idea?

Pablo: I'm not sure. Some people enjoy reading, but a lot of people don't like it. And it's difficult to choose a book for someone else.

Maria: I agree with you. And I don't think flowers are a good idea because they're a bit boring, in my opinion.

Pablo: That's true. In my opinion, people buy flowers if they can't think of any other ideas. Would a T-shirt be a good idea? Most people wear T-shirts.

Maria: Well, I don't really like it when people buy me clothes, because I prefer to choose them myself.

Pablo: OK, so not a T-shirt. Would a concert ticket be a good idea?

Maria: Yes, I think that's a great idea! Everyone loves listening to live music.

Pablo: No, I disagree. There's only one ticket, and I don't think it would be fun to go to a concert on your own.

Maria: Yes, you're right. But there are two cinema tickets, so maybe they might be a better choice.

Pablo: Yes, I agree they would be a good choice. So, what else is there? I think a mug is boring, and chocolates seem quite a cheap present. What do you think?

Maria: Yes, I agree. And I'm sure she'd love to get a necklace, so that's a possibility.

Pablo: OK. So, it's time to decide. What do you think?

Maria: Well, I would say either the cinema tickets or the necklace. Do you agree?

Pablo: Yes, but the necklace might be too expensive, so maybe we should choose the cinema tickets. Are you OK with that?

Maria: Yes, good idea. We'll go for that one, then.

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- 1 think
- 2 sure
- 3 agree
- 4 opinion
- 5 idea
- 6 so
- 7 OK
- 8 go

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- 1 D
- 2 F
- 3 A
- 4 B
- 5 C
- 6 E

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Students' own answers.

Audioscript

Pablo: So, shall we talk about the barbecue first? I think it's a good idea. A barbecue is relaxing, and everyone can enjoy it. What do you think?

Maria: Yes, I agree with you. The only problem is that someone has to organise everything, like buying the food and cooking it, so it's quite a lot of work. In my opinion, eating in a restaurant would be better, because no one would have to cook.

Pablo: Yes, that's a good point. But a meal in a restaurant might be too expensive for some people. What do you think about going to watch a football match?

Maria: Well, it would be perfect for me, because I'm a football fan, but I don't think it's a good idea

for a class celebration, because not everyone likes football.

Pablo: That's true. So, would the beach be a good idea? Everyone likes going to the beach. Do you agree?

Maria: I'm not sure. What if the weather's bad?

Pablo: Yes, you're right. The beach is great if the weather's good, but it's really boring if it's raining. So, what else is there? I don't think hiking is a good idea, because some people might not be fit enough to enjoy it.

Maria: Yes, I agree. What about going to a theme park? I'm sure people would enjoy that.

Pablo: Yes, that's a good idea. There are different rides, too, so not everyone has to go on the really scary ones. It's definitely more fun than a boat trip. That would be really boring, in my opinion.

Maria: I agree, because on a boat you're just sitting there for a few hours, but I prefer to be active.

Pablo: What about the zoo? That could be fun. And there are things to do indoors if it's wet.

Maria: Yes, that's true. And everyone loves animals.

Pablo: So, it's time to decide. I would choose the theme park or the zoo because I think everyone would enjoy them.

Maria: Yes. I think the theme park would be more fun, so I would choose that.

Pablo: OK. We'll go for that one, then.

Speaking Part 4

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They give reasons, ask for each other's opinions, and use an expression to allow time to think about the answer.

Audioscript

Examiner: Who do you most enjoy buying presents for?

Maria: Let me see. I would say my cousins. One is 14 years old, and the other is 12. I love buying presents for them because there are so many fun things that you can choose for children, like toys or games. What do you think?

Pablo: Yes, I agree with you, and it's also fun buying presents for children because they're always so excited when they open them. I've got a cousin who's ten, and I really enjoy buying things for him. He's really into football so it's easy to find things he likes. It's great.

Examiner: Which people in your family are the most difficult to choose presents for?

Pablo: That's an interesting question. My dad is definitely the most difficult to choose presents for. He never seems to want anything, and he doesn't have any hobbies, so I usually end up buying him something really boring, like socks. Do you agree that it's difficult to buy things for your parents?

Maria: Yes, I completely agree. It's much easier to buy things for people your own age,

because you know what they like and what they're interested in.

Examiner: Do you like receiving money instead of presents?

Maria: Hmm, that's a difficult question. It's sometimes nice to receive money, because then you can buy something you really want, or you can save up to buy something bigger, like a new tablet. What do you think?

Pablo: Hmm, I'm not sure about that. When it's my birthday, I usually get money from three or four relatives, and it's good because I can use the money to buy something more expensive for myself. But in my opinion it's a bit boring if you don't get any presents on your birthday, just money. Do you agree?

Maria: Yes, I do. I love getting presents, but I think when it's relatives who don't know you very well, it's better to get money, because sometimes they can give you things you don't really want.

Pablo: That's true. I prefer to get money from people who don't know me very well, but it's nice to get presents from people who know what I like.

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- 1 buying
- 2 is sometimes
- 3 usually get
- 4 to get
- 5 getting

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- 1 Do you agree
- 2 That's true
- 3 What do you think
- 4 That's an interesting question

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Students' own answers.

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Students' own answers.

Audioscript

Examiner: Would you like to have more social events with your class?

Pablo: Yes, I think that more social events would be great, because it would be an opportunity to get to know other students in the class better. I would like some trips to the cinema, or maybe visits to other towns and cities. What do you think?

Maria: Yes, I agree. I think it would be fun to have more social events, and in my opinion it would also help us to study, because it's easier to study when you're with people that you know, because you're more relaxed. I agree with you that trips to the

cinema would be fun, because then we could talk about the films together.

Examiner: Do you think watching sports events can be more fun than taking part?

Maria: I'm not sure about that. I love sport, and in my opinion it's always more fun to take part than to watch. When you play a game like tennis or football, for example, you really want to win, so it's very exciting and it encourages you to make an effort and do your best. Do you agree?

Pablo: Yes, I do. I'm really into sport, too, and I agree that it's exciting when you play a match and you really want to win. But when I watch my favourite football team I also want them to win, so that's exciting too. I also love watching really good players, who are much better than me!

Maria: Yes, that's true. It's exciting to watch good players, but I would still prefer to take part.

Examiner: Do you prefer cooking a meal for friends or eating out in a restaurant?

Pablo: I think it depends. I enjoy cooking, and I often cook meals for a few friends. But if I want to have a big meal with a lot of friends, I prefer to go to a restaurant. What do you think?

Maria: Yes, I think you're right. It would be very stressful to cook a meal for 15 or 20 people. But cooking for a few friends is fun, and it's nice because you're at home and you're relaxed.

Pablo: Yes, I agree with you. The only problem is that you have to do the washing up.

Maria: That's true. I think it's only fun if you have a dishwasher!