

IELTS / CPE Speaking Prompt Cards:

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Describe a job you have done.

You should say:

- how you got the job
- what the job involved
- how long the job lasted

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Would you prefer to work for a large or a small company?

Discuss:

- financial aspects
- social aspects
- job prospects

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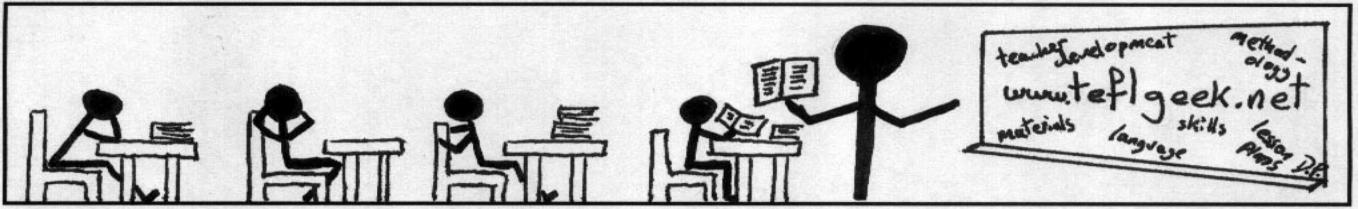
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What effect does tourism have on the environment in your country?

- Politically
- Socially
- Naturally

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Describe an instrument you enjoy listening to .

You should say:

- What the instrument is
- How long you have listened to it
- Whether or not you can play it (or if you would like to learn it).

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What are the advantages or disadvantages of going on school/university field trips?.

- Educationally
- Socially
- Financially

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You have to give a presentation about our planet to a visiting alien delegation.

You should talk about:

- Some basic features
- Positive and negative characteristics of humans
- How the earth can be improved

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Describe an important celebration in your life.

You should say:

- When it was
- What happened
- How you felt

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Compare two countries, two cities or two areas of a town.

You should talk about:

- How they are different
- Why they are different
- Which you prefer

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Imagine you have been asked to develop a program to help clean up the environment in your community.

You should describe:

- The major problems
- The cause of these problems
- The solutions (what to do about it)

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Describe a teacher that had a powerful effect on your education.

You should:

- Say what subject the teacher taught you
- Describe the teacher's personality
- Explain what effect the teacher had on you

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Describe a competition or contest that you have entered.

You should say:

- When the competition took place
- What you had to do
- How well you did it

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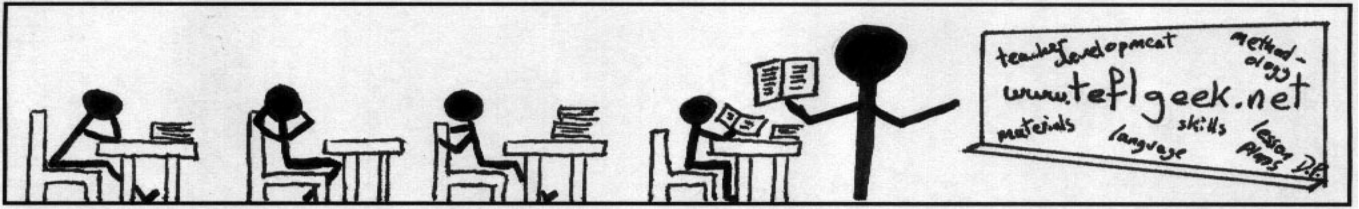
Describe a town or city you would like to visit.

You should say:

- Where it is
- Compare it to your hometown
- Say why you have chosen this place to visit

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Describe a current issue in “international politics”.

You should talk about:

- Where it occurred
- Why you think it is important
- What are some possible courses of action

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Describe your current (or past) place of work or school.

You should talk about:

- Positive and negative aspects of it
- Your overall opinion of it
- Ways in which you think it could be improved

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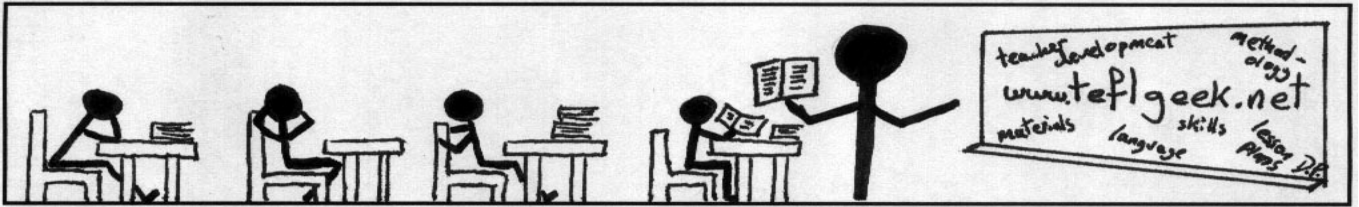
Describe a holiday or festival from your country.

Describe:

- Some background history of the event
- How it is celebrated
- How you feel about the holiday or festival

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Compare the roles of men and women in your country.

You should:

- Say what the traditional roles are
- Explain whether or not this has changed
- Give examples based on your experience

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Describe a place you would like to visit.

Use your imagination more than your knowledge to describe:

- The location
- The landscape
- Any other features you think are important

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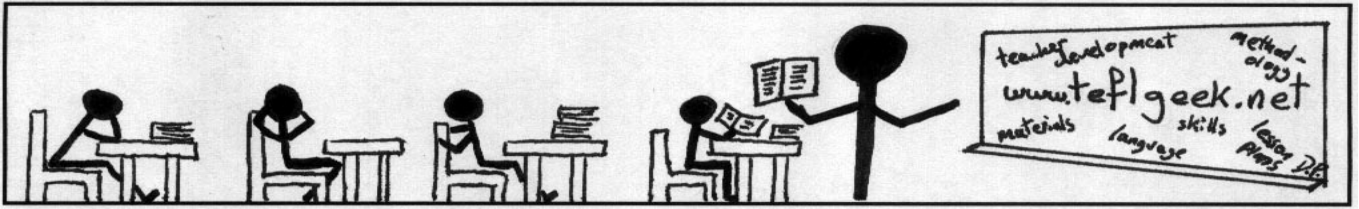
Describe an advertisement that is especially memorable for you.

You should say:

- What kind of advertisement it was
- What product it was for
- Why you liked or disliked it

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What steps are necessary for someone to have a good relationship with your parents or family?.

You should discuss:

- What to do when meeting them for the first time
- What are some things that please them
- What are some things that make them angry

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Describe a museum or art gallery that you have visited.

You should say:

- Where it is
- Why you went there
- What you particularly remember about the place

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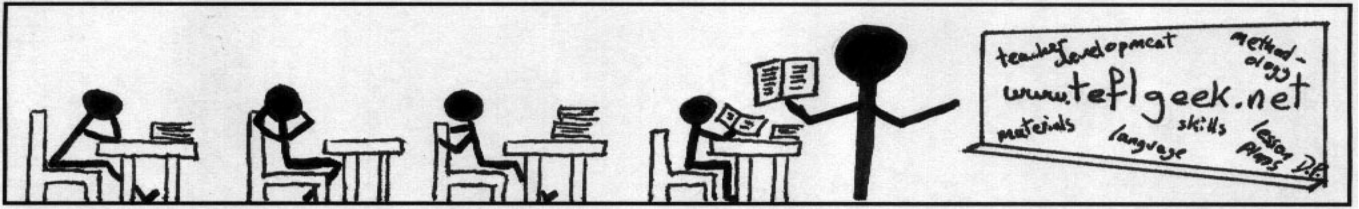
Discuss and compare two types of music style.
(e.g. jazz or classical / folk or rock)

You should say:

- What are common themes or topics of the music
- What instruments are commonly used
- Your favourite songs or musicians

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What effect has modern living had on our environment?

Discuss:

- Various standards of living around the world
- What we are doing to protect the environment
- What will happen in the future

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Give reasons why the divorce rate has or hasn't changed in your country.

Discuss:

- The main causes of divorce
- Social factors that affect the divorce rate
- The changing roles of men and women

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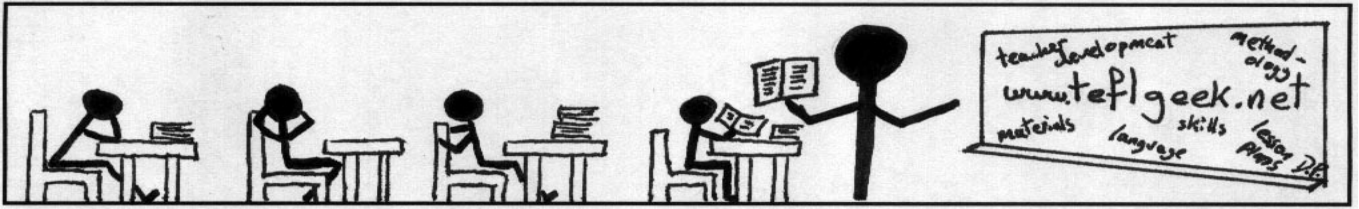
Why do people emigrate to a foreign country?.

You should discuss:

- Possible reasons to emigrate
- Advantages of living in a foreign country
- Disadvantages of living in a foreign country

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Who in your family are you most like?.

You should discuss:

- Appearance
- Personality
- Habits

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Compare the old generation with the young generation in your country.

Discuss:

- Similarities between them
- Differences between them
- The relationship between the two groups

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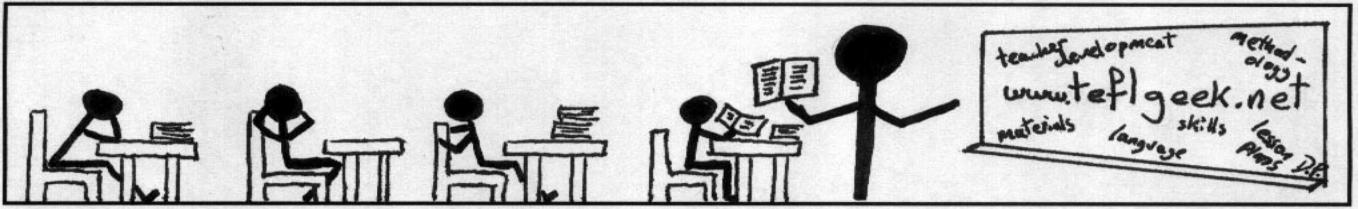
Imagine a job you would like to do.

You should say:

- What the job involves
- How you would get the job
- What might happen during a typical day

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How do your grandparents' childhoods compare to your own?

Discuss:

- Education
- Economically
- In the home

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Describe a recent technological advance.

You should describe:

- What the advance is
- What changes the advance might mean in our lives
- If you think the advance is a good thing or not

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Discuss whether there should be controls over what we watch on TV.

You should discuss:

- Parental control of their children's TV viewing
- Government censorship of television content
- Personal rights and freedoms

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