

C1 Advanced (CAE):

Speaking Part 1 - Questions & Answers

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Here's a list of sample questions and answers for Part 1 of the C1 Advanced Speaking test.

- **How do you most enjoy spending your free time?**

I'm a pretty avid reader, so I like to read anything that I can get my hands on. Lately, I've been reading the Lord of The Rings series.

- **How have your ambitions changed in the last few years?**

When I was a kid, I really wanted to be a flight attendant like my mom. However, in the last 10 years, I've realized it wouldn't be a good fit for me. At the moment, I'm trying to figure out a career that would make me happy, but I'm still not sure what that is!

- **Do you still have the same friends you had when you were a child?**

Yes, fortunately, I've kept the best friends that I've had since I was a child. Those are the few friends that are there for me when I need them, no matter what.

- **Where would you like to go on your next holiday? (Why?)**

I would love to go to South America. I'd like to visit some

countries like Argentina, Peru, or Brazil. I think South America has a lot to offer in terms of cultural heritage and natural wildlife.

- **Do you consider yourself a risk-taker? (Why? Why not?)**

Well, I would consider myself an adventurous guy, yes, but maybe not a risk-taker. I always try new things and I like to learn about new places and live new experiences, but not necessarily taking risks.

- **Does music play an important role in your life? (Why? Why not?)**

Yes, it does. Music is one of the most beautiful and powerful things in this world. It can bring joy, love, sadness, and even happiness to people. And I love it!

- **When was the last time you celebrated something important?**

A few months I completed my degree in Engineering, and that was a big day for me, so I celebrated with friends and family.

- **Where do you see yourself in ten years' time?**

I'm not sure, to be honest. But I hope to have a job I'm content with and, maybe, married and with kids. Who knows?

- **What's the most interesting thing you have done lately?**

I recently started my own company, which has been interesting and extremely challenging.

- **Can you tell us about something you have done that you're really proud of?**

I really take pride in my children. They're really smart and hardworking and I like to think that I have something to do with that.

- **What's the best thing about the area where you live? (Why?)**

The best think about Granada is that it's a very manageable city. I mean, you can walk anywhere, nothing is too far and it's a rather inexpensive place to live in.

- **Do you prefer to go on holiday with family or with friends? (Why?)**

I'd say probably with friends. My family and I don't see eye to eye on many things, so when we're on holiday there's a good chance that we will quarrel about where to go and what to do.

- **Are you an avid reader? (Why? Why not?)**

Oh, yes. I think reading is one of the most entertaining activities you can do. In my case, once I open and start a good novel, I simply cannot put it down.

- **How do you think learning a foreign language can help you?**

Well, learning a language has many advantages, but I'd say that getting to know a different culture from your own is probably the greatest thing about it.

- **What was your favourite subject at school? (Why?)**

I used to enjoy math, which was strange, as most of my friends hated it. I think it felt good to understand it, solve problems and so on.

- **What person has had the greatest influence on your life? (Why?)**

Probably, my dad. His unconditional support throughout every stage of my life has really had an impact on the way I see life and cope with problems nowadays. He's the best.