

PET SPEAKING PART 2: SIMULATED SITUATION (2-3 minutes)

In PART 2 you have to:

Talk about a situation which is illustrated on a sheet of paper.
Make suggestion and discuss alternatives.



USEFUL LANGUAGE :

ASK FOR SUGGESTIONS

'What shall we do _____?'
'Where shall we go _____?'

MAKE SUGGESTIONS

'How about going to ...?'
'Why don't we ...?'
'We could stay in'
'Let's invite some friends round to ...'.
Perhaps we should put ... first? What do you think?
A strong point in favour of ... is that ...
What do you think should go next?
Are you happy with this order then?
Do you go along with that?

RESPOND TO SUGGESTIONS

'Yeah, that's a great idea'
'Yes, that sounds good'
'Well, I think I'd prefer to go ...'
'Yes, OK' or 'All right, I agree'.

DISCUSS ALTERNATIVES

'Which do you think is best?'
'Yes, that's possible'
'It's difficult to decide but ...'
'I think this is more useful because ...'
'It would be better to go to the cinema because ...'
The main problem centres around ...

ASK FOR OPINIONS

'What do you think about that?'
'Do you agree?'

'How do you feel about that?'

GIVE YOUR OPINION

'I think/I don't think that's a good idea because...'
'Personally, I think that's a terrible idea because ...'
'In my opinion it would be better to stay in a hotel because ...'
It's my belief ...
For my part ...
As I see it ...
As I was saying ...

AGREE AND DISAGREE

'That's what I think too'
'I agree'
'I'm not sure I agree with you'
'Yes, you're right'
'Well, that's true but ...'
'I'm sorry but I don't agree with you'.
I couldn't agree more.
I agree up to a point.
I think I see what you mean, but ...
I'm in two minds about it. / I'm ambivalent about ...
I don't see eye to eye with you here ...
That's true in a way, I suppose, but ...
I don't feel convinced ...
That's one way of looking at it. On the other hand ...

EXPRESS PREFERENCES

'I'd rather go to ...'
'I'd like to stay in ...'
'I'd prefer to go to ...'