

## 52 chủ đề speaking part 1 IELTS – KÈM THÀNH NGỮ LIÊN QUAN

### TOPIC 1: WHERE YOU LIVE

Tell me about your hometown/ street/ apartment.

What do you like about your hometown/ street/ house/ apartment?

Tell me the good things about your house.

Is there anything you don't like about it?

Would you like to move to another city/ street/ house/ apartment?

What would you change about your city?

Would you recommend your area/ street as a good place to live?

### TOPIC 2a: WHAT YOU DO – YOUR JOB

Tell me about your job/ What job do you do?

Why did you choose this job?

What do you like about your job?

How long have you been doing this job?

Is there anything you don't like?

#### ☛ **Idioms you get to know:**

*Work flat out = work very hard: làm việc chăm chỉ*

*On the go = very busy: rất bận*

*Get to the bottom of = solve: giải quyết (vấn đề gì)*

*Pull out all the stops = make a special effort: cố gắng nỗ lực hết mình*

*Take charge of = manage: chịu trách nhiệm về/ quản lý (1 bộ phận)*

*Pick up the pieces = take responsibility: chịu trách nhiệm về*

### TOPIC 2b: WHAT YOU DO - YOUR STUDIES

What are you studying?

Where are you studying?

Why did you choose this college/ university?

What's good about where you're studying?

What would you like to do after your studies?

#### ☛ **Idioms you get to know:**

*Pass with flying colours = pass with a high score: đạt điểm cao/ đỗ cao*

*Sail through = finish st easily and quickly: vượt qua dễ dàng*

*To flunk = to fail/ perform badly: làm bài không tốt/ thi không tốt*

*Cross that bridge when sb come to it = deal with a problem when it arrives: bao giờ (chuyện đó) đến hãy hay*

### TOPIC 3: HOBBIES/ FREE – TIME ACTIVITIES

Do you have any hobbies?

What do you do in your free time?

What hobbies/ free – time activities are popular in your country?

Is it important to have a hobby?

Why is it important for people to have free – time activities?

Is it harmful to spend too much time on a hobby?

What free – time activities would you like to try in the future?

☛ **Idioms you get to know:**

*Take up = start: tham gia 1 thú vui/ sở thích*

*Take part in*

*Get into = enjoy: thích thú*

*Have a go at = try: thử*

*Idle away the hours = spend time: dành thời gian để*

#### TOPIC 4: SPORTS

Do you like playing sports?

How often do you play sports?

What sports are most popular in your country?

Do you think it's important to play a sport?

What sports would you like to try in the future?

Do you prefer watching or playing sports?

☛ **Idioms you get to know:**

*Have a crack at = have a try at: thử*

*Get into shape: giữ vóc dáng*

#### TOPIC 5: TELEVISION

Do you like watching TV?

How much time do you spend watching TV?

When do you usually watching TV?

What types of TV programme do you like watching?

What types of TV programme are popular in your country?

Why do children like watching TV?

#### TOPIC 6: MUSIC

Do you like listening to music?

What types of music do you like listening to?

Where do you usually listen to music?

Can you play any musical instruments?

Do you think it's important for children to learn to play a musical instrument?

Do you prefer listening to live performances or recorded music?

**TOPIC 7: READING**

Do you like reading?

How often do you read?

What do you like to read?

Where do you usually read?

Do you read for pleasure or to get information?

**TOPIC 8: EMAIL**

How often do you use email?

What do most people in your country use email for?

What are the advantages of email?

Are there any disadvantages?

Do you think that email will replace letter – writing?

**☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*Snail mail = sending letters through the post: thư giấy gửi qua bưu điện*

*Lost in cyber space: = lost somewhere on the internet: thất lạc trên mạng*

**TOPIC 9: LEARNING ENGLISH**

How long have you been learning English?

What do you find difficult about learning English?

What advice would you give to someone starting to learn English?

Would you like to learn another language in the future?

**TOPIC 10: WRITING**

How often do you write something by hand?

What types of things do you usually write by hand?

Do you think it is important to have good handwriting?

What are the advantages of writing something by hand?

**TOPIC 11: CLOTHES**

What types of clothes do you like wearing?

Where do you usually buy your clothes?

Did you wear a school uniform when you were younger?

What can we learn about a person from the clothes that they wear?

**☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*The in thing = fashionable: hợp thời trang*

*At the height of fashion = fashionable: đang là một thời thượng*

*Up – to – the – minute = the most recent: thời trang mới nhất*

*Dressed to the nines = wearing very formal clothes: ăn mặc chỉnh tề*

**TOPIC 12: SCHOOL (THAT YOU WENT TO WHEN YOU WERE YOUNGER – NOT YOUR CURRENT SCHOOL)**

Tell me about a school that you went to when you were younger.

What did you like about that school?

What subject did you like best at that school?

What would you like to change about that school?

**TOPIC 13: RESTAURANTS**

How often do you eat out in restaurants?

What types of restaurants do you like best?

What types of restaurants are common in your city?

What are the advantages of eating out in restaurants?

**TOPIC 14: FRIENDS**

How much time do you spend with your friends?

What do you usually do with your friends?

Do you prefer spending time with your family or friends?

Is friendship important to you?

**☑ Idioms you get to know:**

*Own flesh and blood = family, relative: máu mủ, ruột thịt*

*Soul mate = best friend: bạn chí cốt/ tri âm tri kỷ.*

**TOPIC 15: FESTIVALS**

Do you often celebrate festivals in your culture?

What do people usually do during festivals?

Which is your favorite festival?

Do you think festivals are important?

**☑ Idioms you get to know:**

*Push the boat out = have a party : tổ chức tiệc tùng*

*Make merry = drink and eat: ăn uống linh đình*

**TOPIC 16: MEETING NEW PEOPLE**

Do you often meet new people?

In your country where can you meet new people?

How easy is it to meet new people in your city?

Is it possible to meet people from other countries where you live?

**TOPIC 17: THE SEA**

Have you spent much time near the sea?

What do people usually do when they visit the sea?

Why do people like spending time near the sea?

Would you like to live near the sea?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Go for a dip = go swimming: đi bơi*

*Get one's sea legs = get used to being on a ship/ boat: quen với việc đi bằng các phương tiện đường biển*

### TOPIC 18: COMPUTERS

How often do you use computers?

In what ways do people use computers in your country?

How did you learn to use a computer?

How much have computers changed your life?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Technophile: the person who is addicted to computers*

*Technophobe: the person who can't use a computer*

### TOPIC 19: COLLECTING THINGS

Have you ever collected anything?

What things do people collect in your country?

Why do people like collecting things?

Would you like to start collecting something new in the future?

### TOPIC 20: DANCING

Do you like dancing?

What kinds of dancing are popular in your country?

Is traditional dancing popular among young people in your country?

What kind of dancing do people like watching?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Two left feet: describing someone who cannot dance*

*All the rage = fashionable*

### TOPIC 21: LEARNING LANGUAGES

What languages do you speak?

Do you think it's important to learn a foreign language?

What languages are spoken in your country?

Would you like to learn another language in the future?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Have a chinwag: = have a conversation (When I travelled to France, I tried to have a chinwag with the locals)*

*All Greek = a language that one doesn't understand*

## **TOPIC 22: WEATHER**

What's the weather like where you live?

What do you do when the weather is bad?

What type of weather do you like best?

Would you like to have that type of weather all year round?

### **☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*Chuck it down: = rain heavily*

*Rain or shine = in all weather*

*Like a sauna = a hot and humid place*

## **TOPIC 23: HAPPINESS**

What kinds of things make you happy?

What do you do if you feel unhappy?

Is unhappiness always a bad thing?

### **☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*On cloud nine = happy*

*Down in the dumps = sad*

## **TOPIC 24: SHOPPING**

Do you like shopping?

How often do you go shopping?

What kind of shops are there in the area where you live?

What's the worst thing about shopping?

### **☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*The real McCoy = genuine, not fake*

*Going for a song = offered at a low price*

*Rip sb off = cheat sb*

## **TOPIC 25: FILMS**

Do you like watching films?

What types of film do you like watching?

How often do you watch films?

Do you prefer watching films at home or at the cinema?

Would you like to be in a movie?

### **☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*Film buff = someone who loves films*

*Box – office smash = a very successful film*

**TOPIC 26: WEEKENDS**

What do you usually do at the weekend?

What do people usually do at weekends in your country?

Do you think your weekends are long enough?

How important do you think it is to have free time?

**📌 Idioms you get to know:**

*Let one's hair down = take it easy = relax.*

**TOPIC 27: GOING OUT IN THE EVENING**

How often do you go out in the evening?

Who do you usually spend your evenings with?

When you go out in the evening what do you usually do?

Do you think there is enough to do in the evening in your city?

**📌 Idioms you get to know:**

*Regular haunt = a place one regular goes to: nơi chốn hay lui tới*

*The wee hours = very early in the morning – after midnight: sáng sớm tinh mơ*

*In the dead of night = very late at night: tối khuya/ đêm khuya*

**TOPIC 28: ANIMALS**

Do you like animals?

What types of animals do people keep as pets in your country?

How do most people feel about animals in your country?

What are animals used for in your country?

**📌 Idioms you get to know:**

*Flora and fauna = all animals and plants*

*Make a fuss over = care very much for.*

**TOPIC 29: ROUTINES**

What time do you usually get up in the morning?

Are your weekday and weekend routines different?

What's your favorite time of day?

What's the worst part of the day for you?

**📌 Idioms you get to know:**

*The daily grind = everyday work routine*

*Get away from it all = get away from the daily routine*

*Get into the swing of = get used to*

*Early bird = someone who gets up early*

**TOPIC 30: FAMILY**

Tell me about your family.

What kind of things do you and your family do together?

Who does the housework in your family?

Would you prefer to have a larger or smaller family?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*It's in the blood = it's natural part of one's character: tính cách (tự nhiên) (đã ngấm vào máu)*

*Born with a silver spoon in one's mouth = born into a rich family*

### TOPIC 31: COOKING

Can you cook?

Who usually does the cooking in your home?

How do people usually learn to cook in your country?

What are the advantages of being able to cook?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Lip – smacking = delicious*

*Burn to a crisp = burn food*

*Rustle up = cook st quickly without a recipe*

### TOPIC 32: WEDDINGS

Have you ever been to a wedding?

What do people usually do at weddings in your country?

What clothes do people usually wear at weddings in your country?

Which people are usually invited to weddings?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Tie the knot = get married*

*Get hitched = get married*

*To give (the bride) away (part of a traditional wedding ceremony); gả con gái*

### TOPIC 33: PUBLIC TRANSPORT:

What types of public transport can be found in your city?

What type of public transport do you use most?

Are there any public transport problems in your city?

How would you improve the public transport system in your city?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Packed like sardines/ jam- packed = very crowded*

*Pile – up = traffic accident*

### TOPIC 34: TRAVELING



How much travelling have you done?  
Do you prefer travelling alone or in a group?  
When you visit new places, what do you like to do?  
What places would you like to visit in the future?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Off the beaten track = to a place not usually visited by tourists*

**TOPIC 35: NAMES**

Do you like your name?  
Does your name have any special meaning?  
Who usually chooses babies' names in your country?  
Would you ever change your name?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Run of the mill = typical, ordinary (My name is actually very run of the mill).*

**TOPIC 36: FOOD**

What food do you like eating?  
Is there any food that you don't like?  
What food is popular where you live?  
Is fast food popular in your country?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Wolf down = eat very quickly*

*Sink one's teeth into = eat some special food*

**TOPIC 37: BIRTHDAYS**

How are birthdays usually celebrated in your country?  
What gifts do people receive on their birthdays in your country?  
Do people eat special food on their birthdays in your country?  
Which birthday is most important in your culture?

📌 **Idioms you get to know:**

*Paint the town red = have a big celebration*

**TOPIC 38: SEASONS**

Tell me about the seasons in your country.  
What is your favorite season?  
Do the seasons affect people's behavior?  
Do you wear different clothes in different seasons?

**TOPIC 39: BIRDS**

Are there many birds where you live?

How do people in your country feel about birds?  
Do birds have any special meaning in your culture?  
Should we protect birds?

#### **TOPIC 40: PHOTOGRAPHY**

Do you like taking photographs of new places?  
Is photography popular in your country?  
What kinds of photographs do you like looking at?  
Would you prefer to buy a postcard or take a photograph of a new place?

#### **☑ Idioms you get to know:**

*Strike a pose = position oneself in a certain way*

*Zoom in on = use a zoom lens to get a closer view on a camera.*

#### **TOPIC 41: FLOWERS**

Do you like flowers?  
On what occasions do people give flowers in your culture?  
Do any flowers have a special meaning in your culture?

#### **TOPIC 42: BUILDINGS**

What types of buildings are there in your city?  
Do you prefer old or new buildings?  
Are historical buildings important?  
Would you like to live in an old building?

#### **TOPIC 43: RAIN**

Do you like rain?  
What do you usually do when it rains?  
How do people feel about rain where you live?  
What do you think is worse, too much rain or not enough rain?

#### **TOPIC 44: MUSEUMS**

Do you like museums?  
How often do you visit museums?  
What types of museum can be found in your country?  
Why are museums important?

#### **TOPIC 45: RELAXATION**

What do you usually do to relax?  
How much time do you usually have to relax?  
What do people usually do to relax in your country?

Do you think it's important for people to relax?

#### **TOPIC 46: CYCLING**

Do you like cycling?

Is cycling popular in your country?

What are the advantages of cycling?

How often do you walk to places?

#### **TOPIC 47: HEALTHY EATING**

Do you like eating healthy food?

Do you think it is important to eat healthy food?

Is fast food popular in your country?

Do you think people eat healthier food nowadays compared with people in the past?

##### **☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*In good shape/ in good condition = having a healthy body*

*Pig out = eat a large amount of food, usually unhealthy food*

*A Big Mac Attack ( modern slang for eating MacDonald's fast food).*

#### **TOPIC 48: HOTELS**

Do you like staying in hotels?

How often do you stay in hotels?

What types of hotels can be found in your city/ country?

What are the advantages of staying in a hotel?

##### **☛ Idioms you get to know:**

*Get the royal treatment = be treated as if one is a king or queen*

*At one's back and call = ready to serve sb.*

#### **TOPIC 49: OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

Do you like doing outdoor activities?

How often do you do outdoor activities?

What outdoor activities are popular in your country?

Do you think it's important for people to spend time outdoors?

#### **TOPIC 50: MEMORIES OF THE PAST**

Do you like to think about the past?

How do you feel when other people talk about their memories?

Do you keep photographs to remind you of past events?

What can people learn from the past?

#### **TOPIC 51: CHILDHOOD**

Did you have a happy childhood?  
What part of your childhood do you remember most?  
What makes a happy childhood?  
What would you like to change about your childhood?

**TOPIC 52: COLOURS**

What's your favorite colour?  
What can we learn about a person from the colours they wear?  
Do any colours have a special meaning in your culture?