

## TOEIC® SPEAKING TEST QUESTION 3: DESCRIBE A PICTURE

### VOCAB REVIEW

### SAMPLE QUESTION 5

Directions: In this part of the test, you will describe the picture on your screen in as much detail as you can. You will have 30 seconds to prepare your response. Then you will have 45 seconds to speak about the picture.

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### RESPONSE TIME

00:00:45

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## STRATEGY 5: Analyzing the pictures - WHO (2)

### 5.1 Describe people's actions and feelings

When describing people's actions taking place in the scenes now, we use the present progressive tense (not the present simple tense).

She is talking on the phone.                    × She talks on the phone.

When describing people's feelings, we use speculative language, because we are just guessing.

She looks happy.                                    × She is happy.

Expand your description to talk about things that are possible in the present, past and future. Things that may be about to happen or have already happened, or things that are probably true, but aren't visible in the picture. Pay attention to the tenses in describing the past and future.

### 5.2 Describe people's roles and relationship with the others.

Use speculative language.

He could be a scientist.                                    × He is a scientist.

I think the woman is the girl's mother.                    × The woman is the girl's mother.

## SAMPLE QUESTION 6

Directions: In this part of the test, you will describe the picture on your screen in as much detail as you can. You will have 30 seconds to prepare your response. Then you will have 45 seconds to speak about the picture.



## RESPONSE TIME

00:00:45

## DICTION

1. A ..... is a wild plant with a bright yellow flower which later becomes a white ball of ..... that are blown away in the wind.
2. Academic ability is not the sole ..... for admission to the college.
3. An unhappy family life may ..... children's learning.
4. What experience do you have that is ..... to this position?
5. The song was dull and .....

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