

TOEIC® SPEAKING TEST QUESTION 3: DESCRIBE A PICTURE

VOCAB REVIEW

TEST TECHNIQUES

● During the preparation time

You have only 30 seconds to prepare your response.

During the rather short preparation time, start by brainstorming vocabulary, i.e. by quickly picking out all the nouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs that you might use to describe the picture.

Plan what you will say by answering the questions below.

Where is the scene? What is in the scene and where is it located? Who is in the scene and where?

What are the people doing? Why are they doing it? What can you say about the past or future?

● During the 45 second response time

1. Start with an introductory sentence by describing the general situation.
2. Describe objects and people one at a time, going from general to specific.
3. Finish one aspect of your description before going on to the following ones.
4. Include at least one complex sentence.
5. Use uncertain and speculative language.
6. Try to be accurate in the grammar you use.

Ⓢ One way of introducing new information is to use the ‘**There + be**’ structure.

There is **a man** holding a ball. There is **a Ferris wheel** in the background. There are **trees** along the walking path.

New information

New information

New information

SAMPLE QUESTION 8

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

SAMPLE QUESTION 9

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

DICTIONATION

1. are usually cone-shaped markers that are placed on roads to temporarily redirect traffic in a safe manner.
2. The spacesuits were made of very material, in order to reduce solar heating.
3. A is a place with a specific design for children to be able to play there.
4. A is a light truck with an open-top and low sides and a tailboard for cargo access.
5. We are seeking a modern home in a quiet yet convenient locations.
6. They had a new phone line in the apartment.

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