

Connected speech in IELTS Speaking Part Three question stems

Work together to rewrite the parts below which don't match usual spelling.

Reasons/ Cause and effect

- Do you think tha tany recent change sin... ha vaffected...?
- How mu chinfluence do... ha von what people...?
- Wha tare the likely yeffect sof...?
- What is the yimpac ton society yof people...?

Generalising

- Do you believe tha teveryo ni na family should...?
- Do you thin ki tis true tha tin today's society...?
- In some places people spen da lo tof money yon... Is thi sever true win your country?
- What type sof... do childre nin your country...?

Advice/ recommendations

- Are there rany yoccasions when... i sa useful skill to have?
- Do you thin kit would be ya goo didea for schools to...?
- What do you thin kare the mos timpant qualities for... to have?

How + adjective

- How wimportan ti sit for ra country to...?
- How weasy yor difficul ti sit to...?

Agreeing and disagreeing

- Do you wagree that there ri sa right age for radults to...?
- Some people say yi tis mo rimportant to... now tha nit wa sin the past. Do you wagree yor disagree with that?

Comparing/ contrasting

- I si talways better to...?
- Whi chare more rimportant to people,... or...?

Predictions

- Do you believe that... wi lever replace...?
- Do you think that some... wi lonly yopera tonli nin the future?
- What do you think will be the futu rimpac tof...?

Advantages and disadvantages/ Looking at both sides

- Are there rany benefits to society yof people...?
- Can you thin ko fany disadvantages to...?
- Do you think... i sa positi vor negative development?

Trends/ Changes

- Do you think... ha sincreased or decrease din popularity yin recent years?
- How has... change din your country yin the last... years?

Try to work out why the parts above are spelt as they are, use that to finish and to start checking,

Check your answers with the correct spelling version below, use that to check your generalisations about the patterns in the changes, then compare your generalisations as a class.



Normal spelling version

Reasons/ Cause and effect

- Do you think that any recent changes in... have affected...?
- How much influence do... have on what people...?
- What are the likely effects of...?
- What is the impact on society of people...?

Generalising

- Do you believe that everyone in a family should...?
- Do you think it is true that in today's society...?
- In some places people spend a lot of money on... Is this ever true in your country?
- What types of... do children in your country...?

Advice/ recommendations

- Are there any occasions when... is a useful skill to have?
- Do you think it would be a good idea for schools to...?
- What do you think are the most important qualities for... to have?

How + adjective

- How important is it for a country to...?
- How easy or difficult is it to...?

Agreeing and disagreeing

- Do you agree that there is a right age for adults to...?
- Some people say it is more important to... now than it was in the past. Do you agree or disagree with that?

Comparing/ contrasting

- Is it always better to...?
- Which are more important to people, ... or...?

Predictions

- Do you believe that... will ever replace...?
- Do you think that some... will only operate online in the future?
- What do you think will be the future impact of...?

Advantages and disadvantages/ Looking at both sides

- Are there any benefits to society of people...?
- Can you think of any disadvantages to...?
- Do you think... is a positive or negative development?

Trends/ Changes

- Do you think... has increased or decreased in popularity in recent years?
- How has... changed in your country in the last... years?

Take turns asking personal questions made from question stems above, not looking above when it's your turn to answer. The person asking should try to say them quickly enough that they sound like the natural pronunciations on the previous page, but you can ask for the questions to be repeated more slowly and/ or be rephrased before you answer them if you like.

Ask about any question stems you couldn't make questions out of, you are not sure you answered well, etc, working together to make suitable questions and answers each time.