



IELTS Speaking Part Two: Beginning Middle End

Without looking at the list below, listen to your teacher and hold up one of the two cards you have been given with the side facing the teacher showing whether you think that phrase can be used:

- *During the instructions and preparation stages*
- *When you start your one or two minute presentation*
- *Somewhere during the presentation*
- *To bring the presentation to a close*

Test each other using the same worksheet as your teacher was using.

Before starting the presentation

Can I ask about a word in the question?

Can I speak about...?

Can I start?

Can I talk about...?

Excuse me. Can I ask what one word means?

(I think) I'm ready.

I'm sorry. This topic is impossible for me because...

I'm afraid I can't really talk about this because...

Is it okay if I talk about... (instead)?

Okay, (I'm) nearly ready.

Shall I start?

Should I talk about ... or ...?

Sorry. Could you explain this word here?

Starting the presentation

Before I start, I should probably explain that...

By (complete) coincidence, this happened to me...

I had difficulty choosing a topic, but...

I'd like to speak about...

I'd like to talk to you about...

I'm going to talk about...

I'm (really) glad I got this topic because...

I've chosen to talk about...

I've decided to speak about..., (because...)

It's a strange coincidence that I got this topic because...

So/ Well/ Well then/ Okay/ Right

The only thing I could think of to speak about is...

The only thing that came to mind is...

There are many...but I've chosen to speak about...

This doesn't exactly match the question, but...

This is an interesting story, actually.

This is an interesting topic for me because...

This is a difficult topic for me because...

What I want to talk about is...



Middle

As I was saying, ...
Getting back to the questions (on the sheet/ at hand), ...
Have I covered everything? Oh no, ...
I seem to have gone off topic. Anyway, ...
In answer to the next question, ...
Answering the next question, ...
Just let me look at my notes.
Let me look at the next bullet point.
The next question is ...
The next thing I have to talk about is ...
What was I going to say next? Oh yes, ...
What was the next question (again)? That's right, ...
Where was I? Oh yes, ...

Ending

Can I stop there?
I can't think of anything else to say.
I think I've answered all the questions.
I think I've covered everything
Is that enough?
Is that more than one minute?
That's all I can think of to say.
That's the end of my presentation.
Umm, that's it.

Cards for students to hold up

Cut the cards horizontally only and fold along the remaining vertical line to make two double-sided cards per student.

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