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Fce speaking part 2 pictures

The second part of the Cambridge First Certificate Speaking exam is the most difficult and stressful part of the Speaking exam to do well in. But if you know what type of things you have to say and do, and you practise doing this part regularly, it actually isn't that difficult and you'll be more confident when doing it. In this article, you'll find 4 examples (the photographs which you have to talk about for a minute) of this part of the Speaking exam which you use to practise by yourself. The best way to practise When you practise doing each, you need to time yourself doing it and also record what you say. You should then listen to what you have said and analyse if you have done what you should have (e.g. spoke about the things in the correct order, expressed probability etc...) and think about what things you could have done better (e.g. use synonyms of 'because' or 'but' etc...). When you have done this, record yourself doing the same example again. Doing this will help you to improve both your performance when doing this part in the exam and your confidence. Before you see the 4 examples, I will very quickly explain what the format of this part of the Speaking exam is. The format of part 2 In this part of the Speaking exam you have a minute to talk by yourself about two different photographs on the same topic (e.g. cooking, work etc...). The examiner will tell you what this topic is when they give you the sheet which has the photographs on. You have to both quickly describe what you can see on the photos and answer a question (and in this order) about them both. You have to compare the photos (saying what the main similarity and/or difference is) when both describing and answering the question. You'll be told by the examiner what the question is and it is also written on the top of the sheet you are given. After the minute ends the other candidate you are doing the Speaking exam with will be asked a question about the photos or about the topic they are on (the question which the other candidate is asked is written below each set of 2 photos). Now here are the 4 examples for you to practise doing: Example photos for Part 2 of the FCE Speaking exam Example 1 Here are your photographs. They show different types of holidays. I'd like you to compare the photographs and say what activities people can do on these type of holidays. You have a minute to do this. What activities can people do on these types of holidays? The other candidate's question:Which one would you like to go to and why? Home / FCE Speaking Part 2 Examples Here you will find sample tasks for FCE Speaking Part 2 (pictures comparison) with answers and useful phrases. You can print them or save in PDF. Check our FCE Speaking Part 2 Tips to know how to get better score!Sample answers are written in italicsCandidate A, here are the photographs. They show various places where people live. I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say why people might choose to live there, okay? (1 minute)Candidate A: The left picture shows some big city with a line of apartment blocks built right next to the sea, while in the picture on the right we can see a peaceful village next to a train station and a train passing by. While both photos have various residences in them, the right one looks much more quiet than the other. I believe that people who choose to live in a flat of a busy city do so because they have a more active lifestyle - they commute to work, go to parties, restaurant, exhibitions and other activities a city has to offer. In contrast, those who reside in a remote place like in picture two prefer the more relaxed and slow pace of life.Candidate B, which place would you prefer to live in, and why? (~20 seconds)Candidate B: Personally, I'd go with the quiet place next to the train station. I could commute to the city centre by train, take morning strolls in the woods and enjoy everything nature has to offer. I don't party that much and I'm not into eating out, so I won't miss out on most things a busy city has to offer.Candidate B, now it's your long turn. These pictures show people exercising. Compare the photographs and say how the exercising might make people feel. (1 minute)Candidate B: The right photo shows a girl on a river bank doing what looks like gymnastics, while in the left picture a lady is in the middle of a tennis match. Both do some kind of sports activity, however one is performed outside, while the other is done indoors. Moreover, tennis requires special equipment such as a racket, while the other exercise doesn't need anything at all. I believe that both people feel content with what they're doing as exercising energises you and if you spend enough time doing it you might feel pleasantly exhausted. It is also beneficial for your brain, allowing your mind to wander.Candidate A, which type of exercising would you prefer and why?Candidate A: Even though I'm not very good at tennis, I would have to choose it over the activity in the other picture - I'm hopeless when it comes to body balance! Tennis is a nice combination of physical exercising and thinking - you don't simply run after the ball - you have to calculate your hits and plan ahead. I like this aspect of tennis very much.Candidate A, here are the two pictures. They show people performing different jobs. I'd like you to compare the two pictures and say what difficulties the people might have when doing their jobs. (1 minute)Candidate A: Both pictures here show people at work, but the nature of their activity is very different. The lady in the picture on the left is facing a difficult creative task, judging by her body language and the images on her laptop screen. In contrast, the man in the second photo does a very physically-demanding job at something that looks like a construction site.While the man's job is fairly straightforward, it can be very dangerous to his health and well-being. The woman's task here seems to be rather tricky as she seems to be stuck with the task. Undeniably, both jobs can be very stressful.Candidate B, which job do you think is more difficult? (~20 seconds)Candidate B: I think the duties shown in picture two are much more challenging. Sure, creative thinking is not easy, but physical and manual labour is always a struggle. No matter how good you are at it, you have to perform very tiring, repetitive actions which is demanding both mentally and physically.Candidate B, now it's your long turn. The pictures show different holiday locations. Compare them and say why people might choose to spend their holiday in each place. (1 minute)Candidate B: Both picture one and two show various types of resorts. While the left picture looks warm and peaceful, the other one looks rather cold and even a bit dangerous. However, somehow both of them look equally cozy, though for different reasons.People looking for a place to spend their holiday at may prefer huts by the seaside if they come from a colder country and want to experience warmer, more pleasant climate. They are also likely to appreciate the local food, rich with fruits and vegetables. As for the second photo, it might be favoured by more active, young people, who are really keen on sports and exercising.Candidate A, which of the two places is better to spend a family holiday at? (~20 seconds)Candidate B: The location shown in the first photo is definitely much better for a family with kids. Every member of the household can enjoy sunbathing and swimming, while some kids can be too young to try skiing. Also, low temperatures of a ski resort may not be to some people's liking.Candidate A, here are your pictures. They show people eating. I'd like you to compare these pictures and say who you think enjoys their meal most. (1 minute)Candidate A: Picture one and picture two both show people having a meal. One of the places seems to be an expensive restaurant or a café, the other looks like a regular apartment. In the left picture the people are dressed up for the occasion, while the right photo shows us a person dressed very casually.I believe that the girl in the right picture is enjoying her food more - she didn't even put it on plate, she is eating it right out of the frying pan. I guess she must be really hungry! The women in the photo on the left seem to be more preoccupied with the conversation rather than the food itself. They probably came to the restaurant to meet each other, not to eat.Candidate B, how often do you eat out? (~20 seconds)Candidate B: Almost never. I'm afraid. Eating out is rather expensive in my city. You also need to put on some fancy clothes - you know, because everybody else does, and you don't really want to stand out. When I do go out, it is usually a very special occasion that needs to be celebrated - like somebody's wedding or a graduation ceremony. It makes it even better - each time is really memorable!Candidate B, now it's your turn. These two pictures show people in business meetings. Compare them and say how people in these environments might feel. (1 minute)Candidate B: In both of these photos we can see people discussing things connected with business. The picture on the right shows a traditional, face-to-face way of communication, where everybody is in the same room. However, the left photo presents a different way to communicate - that is, using modern technology such as video conferencing.I believe that the person in the left photo feels a bit detached from the meeting as the people she's communicating with are not physically present. However, she probably appreciates the flexibility that online communication offers. As for the situation in picture two, the office workers there are probably much more comfortable, engaged in the old-fashioned business conversation in a meeting room.Candidate A, which type of business meeting is more efficient? (~20 seconds)Candidate A: Well, I'd say that both ought to be pretty effective as businesses across the globe use them. I believe that having a meeting using video calls might be a better choice - you don't have to spend time to go to the meeting and it's much easier to arrange, you know, to make sure everybody has free time. When every participant has to come to some place, it gets more complicated.Candidate A, here are your pictures. In these pictures you can see people commuting. I'd like you to compare the two pictures and say why they might have chosen to commute this way.(1 minute)Candidate A: In both of these pictures we see people on their way somewhere. It could be their job, or place where they study. However, are differences that are easy to see from the first glance. In the left photo, people have almost no personal space because it's very crowded and they have to stand really close to each other. In the right picture, on the contrary, most cars are private and drivers with their passengers must be feeling more comfortable.As for the reason of their choice, I assume that not many people actually have this luxury, to choose how to travel. I think the vast majority of train passengers from the first picture would gladly commute by their own car, if they could afford it. However, some of them might choose public transport to save the environment and reduce their carbon footprint.Candidate B, how do you usually commute? (~20 seconds)Candidate B: I use my bike for most in-city journeys, but when it snows I prefer to go by taxi or ask some friends to give me a lift. I'm not very keen on buses as they take forever to get somewhere and usually they are packed with people. I can walk too, if it's not too far away, but it is never my first choice.Candidate B, here are your pictures. They show people watching a movie. 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