

## SPEAKING WEEK 3

### PART 1. PERSONAL QUESTIONS. 30secs per answer.

- Do you have any pets?
- Tell me about your room.
- What do you usually have for breakfast?

### PART 2. DESCRIBE A PICTURE. 45secs per answer.



- Describe the picture.

In this picture, I can see a man holding some papers. He's tall and has short brown hair. He's wearing a grey suit and a blue tie.

In the background, there are several televisions and other types of screen. Most of them are turned /ternt/ on.

He seems concentrated. He must be a TV presenter, trying to prepare the programme that he's about to present. Probably, he's nervous because it's his first day after holidays and he has been disconnected from work for a while.

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- How do most people in your country learn about world news?

In my country, the most common way to learn about the news is on TV. I guess it's the handiest way. Some people listen to them on the radio, while they're driving to work/when they're commuting.

Fewer and fewer people buy newspapers nowadays, since almost every newspaper has a digital version and most people prefer to use the internet. So we could say that traditional newspapers are becoming obsolete.

What I learn after watching the news is that there are many horrible things happening worldwide and I feel terrible not to be able to help/ it's so depressing.

- How has the reporting of news changed in the last fifty years?

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Fifty years ago, the internet didn't exist, so people weren't so well informed. Nowadays, everybody is obsessed with the internet. We even have connectivity on our mobile phone. It's so handy.

However, the news on TV remains the same. It usually takes one hour and they're broadcasted at lunch and dinner time.

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#### PART 3. COMPARE TWO PICTURES. 45secs per answer.



- Compare these pictures.

**Both pictures show different types of concerts.**

**In the first picture, I can see people dancing and enjoying the band's songs. They seem to be having much fun.**

**In the second picture, I can see three musicians giving a concert. They're playing instruments, probably the violin. It seems a theatre where the public are seated and quiet. However, in the first picture people must be singing and shouting/screaming very loud. I'm sure the band is very popular with young adults and teenagers.**

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- Which of these two events would you prefer to go to? Why?

Honestly, it's a difficult question due to the fact that I like both of them. However, if I had to choose, I would say the 1st option, since you can release energy dancing and singing as loud as you like.

However, in the other type of concert, you must be quiet in order to listen to the music properly without disturbing. It's a fantastic way to relax after a bad day.

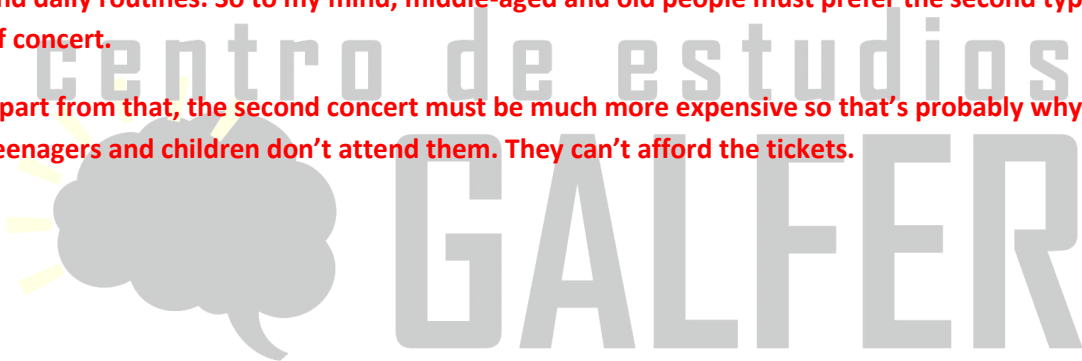
The first concert is much more fun, whereas the other seems more relaxing.

- What sort of people go to these two events?

From my point of view, young people prefer the first concert since they're full of beans and there, they can release energy singing and dancing as much as they want.

However, the older you get, the more you want to relax in order to disconnect from work and daily routines. So to my mind, middle-aged and old people must prefer the second type of concert.

Apart from that, the second concert must be much more expensive so that's probably why teenagers and children don't attend them. They can't afford the tickets.



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**PART4. TWO-MINUTE LONG TURN. 1min to prepare. 2mins to answer.**



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- Tell me about a time when somebody told you to stop doing something.
- How did you feel about it?
- Do you think there are too many rules in modern life?

**The last time somebody told me to stop doing something was last month.**

**It was in the evening in summer, my friends and I were spending a good day at the beach, drinking and sunbathing. We were wearing casual clothes like bikinis and short dresses. Suddenly, we decided to go to a restaurant for dinner. However, when I arrived there, the waiter told us that we couldn't pass at the restaurant because of our clothes.**

**I was having so much fun and I felt disappointed with the situation, , since I didn't agree with him. My friends tried to cheer me up but it was impossible, since I was depressed because I had drunk too much. We left the restaurant and went home.**

**From my point of view, in modern life there are a lot of rules. Some rules help people to have a better behaviour / to behave better.. However, other rules aren't handy to learn since sometimes the effect of such rules means an opposite effect, especially among the youth.**