

## IELTS Speaking Sample 41

### IELTS Speaking Mock Test # 14

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#### Part 1 - Introduction:

**Q. What's your name?**

**A.** My name is Marina Tun.

**Q. What nationality are you?**

**A.** I am a Malaysian.

**Q. What part of your country do you come from?**

**A.** I am originally from Johor Bahru, which is the capital of the state of Johor, located in Peninsular Malaysia.

**Q. Can you describe your home town/ village?**

**A.** Sure. As I already said, I come from Johor Bahru, which is the second largest city in Malaysia with more than four hundred thousand population. This is a beautiful city with lots of tourist attractions and many Indonesian tourists love to shop here because of the variety of shopping items and cheap prices. The city was also once known as Little Swatow (Shantou) by the Chinese community. As this is the capital city of Johor, it plays a very important role in the economic welfare of the population of the entire state.

Johor Bahru features an equatorial climate with consistent temperatures, considerable amount of rain and high humidity throughout the year. Malay is the main language in our city and the Chinese community prefers different dialects. Johor Bahru is one of the fastest-growing cities in our country and its specific location is one of the main reasons it became the main industrial and commercial centre for Johor.

I love the lively streets and diverse culture of our city and I am sure a tourist would find a plenty of things to do and numerous places to visit in my city.

**Q. What do you like doing in your free time? Why?**

**A.** I like to watch TV and read books in my free time. Sometimes I help my mother on her household tasks and assist my little brother to complete his home work in my free time.

**Q. Are there any new hobbies that you would like to take up? Why?**

**A.** Yes, definitely. If time allows I would like to start learning how to play golf. This is a game that interests me a lot but I have never played it except in video games. I love to watch this game in TV and I feel very passionate about playing it. My uncle and father often play it and I went to the Golf course many times in my childhood. I am already 24 years old and I think I will learn playing this game very soon.

#### Part 2 - Cue Card

Topic:

## Talk about a city you visited and which had impressed you.

You should say:

- where it is situated and why you visited it
- what you did there
- what were the attractive part of this city

**and explain why this city impressed you so much.**

[ You have a minute to prepare what you are going to say and you can make some notes. Write down some key words or ideas only. Do not write out everything you are going to say. ]

**Tips:** [ Think of 2 or 3 things you really remember about the city. Try to interest the examiner in what you say. The topic for your talk will be written on a card which the examiner will hand you. Read it carefully and then make some brief notes. ]

[Click here for the answer of this Cue Card Topic](#)

### Part 3 - Discussion:

**Q. Would you like to live in the city you spoke about?**

**A.** Yes, definitely. This is a beautiful city and there are lots of things to do and lots of places to visit there. The people are nice and this city offers nice lifestyle. So yes, I would like to live in this city for sure.

**Q. What are the advantages of living in a big city?**

**A.** A big city offers better job opportunity, better educational institutions, better shopping malls and business opportunity. The traffic and streets are strictly monitored and there are law enforcing officers to help in case someone needs them.

The living standard is better in a big city and modern technology and facilities are available. In my opinion, a big city is better place to live in.

**Q. What are the negative aspects of crowded cities?**

**A.** A crowded city is often polluted. In terms of sound, air and other pollutions, a crowded city has a worse scenario than cities with less population. Many crowded cities have more crime rates and unbearable traffic congestion. The over population increases the prices of daily commodity and this it is comparatively expensive to live in a city with higher population.

**Q. Why do you think that the architectural design of a city is important?**

**A.** It makes a city distinctive and attractive to the tourists. The architectural design of a city often reflects the

tradition and heritage of a nation and thus it is important to preserve the history of a nation through the architectural design of the city.

Besides, a rich architectural design of a city would attract more tourists that would contribute to the overall GDP of a country.

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