

TẠP CHÍ IELTS

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Also, rains cause floods all over the city, which causes
engine damage and makes vehicles travel **at a snail's**
pace. Despite my love for the summer and the rains, I
cannot deny that they are bothersome sometimes.

VOCABULARY

4. **add fuel to the fire**: make an al-
ready bad situation worse (ổ dầu
vào lửa)

7. **it dawn(s/ed)** +
become apparent
realise something
(rõ ra)

연애까지 해줄게.
일은 계속해.

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Ngọc Bách

“ Describe **a couple** you know
who have **a happy marriage** ”



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You should say:

- Who they are
- How you know them
- How long they have been married
- Explain why you think they are happily married.

Well, the first married couple that came to mind when I saw this topic were my grandparents, because as far as I know, they are a very contented and devoted couple, so I'd like to tell you a little bit about them.



They were married by the arrangement of their parents as soon as they **entered adult life**, just like most Vietnamese couples did at that time. Surprisingly, they both **fell in love at first sight** and decided to **tie the knot** 2 weeks after their first encounter.

The one thing I find most admirable in their relationship is that though my parents had to live apart from each other shortly after their marriage due to war, they still managed to **maintain a healthy relationship**. While my grandfather left home for almost 10 years to fight in the South, his wife faithfully waited for him and fulfilled her role as **a working mother** to 2 children. When the war had finally come to an end, my grandparents had a tearful reunion and they **lived in harmony** ever after.



Until this day, they show their deepest care for each other in the smallest action. For instance, my grandpa would always get up early and make tea for my grandmother, who is not **a morning person**, so that her day could start more pleasantly. Most importantly, they still hold hands when walking side by side, as **endearingly** as they did decades ago.

As more and more couples are **dissolving their marriage**, I think that we can learn a great deal about how pure love can survive hardships and **socio-economic changes** through the marriage of my grandparents.

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CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Communication and Personality

1. To live in harmony with one another

Meaning: to live with others in a way which avoids conflict or disagreement

Example: The students who share the house are all good friends and they are able to live in harmony with one another.

Dịch đại ý

To live in harmony with one another: sống hòa hợp với người khác

Nghĩa: sống với những người khác một cách hòa hợp, tránh gây mâu thuẫn với nhau

2. working mothers

Meaning: women who have a job and also have to take care of their children

Example: As more and more women have entered the workforce, working mothers have to balance the demands of home and work.

Dịch đại ý

Working mothers: các bà mẹ đi làm

Nghĩa: phụ nữ có công ăn việc làm đồng thời phải chăm sóc con họ



CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Family and Children

1. to enter adult life

Meaning: the stage when adolescents are just old enough to be legally independent of their parents

Example: Parents who have devoted time and thought to raising and educating their children have given them a good preparation to enter adult life.

Dịch đại ý

To enter adult life: bước vào thế giới người lớn

Nghĩa: giai đoạn khi thanh niên đủ tuổi được tự lập

2. to dissolve a marriage

Meaning: to officially end a marriage

Example: Couples are sometimes unwilling to dissolve their marriage and they stay together for the sake of the children.

Dịch đại ý

To dissolve a marriage: kết thúc hôn nhân

Nghĩa: chính thức chấm dứt một cuộc kết hôn

CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Society

1. socio-economic changes

Meaning: changes relating to the society and economy of a country

Example: Mass migration to cities is a result of socio-economic changes, especially the growth of industry.

Các từ khác

1. contented (adj): feeling or showing happiness and satisfaction (hài lòng)

Example: Having finally retired from work, he was a very contented man.

2. devoted (adj): having great love for and loyalty to somebody (hết lòng, tận tụy)

Example: They were devoted to their children.

3. to fall in love at first sight: to be in love immediately after you meet someone (yêu từ cái nhìn đầu tiên)

Example: He fell in love at first sight with the girl who lived next door.

4. to tie the knot: to get married. (kết hôn)

Example: After 4 years of dating, they decided to tie the knot.

“ Describe **an occasion** where
everybody smiled ”

밤 잘 사주는
예쁜 누나



You should say:

- When this situation took place
- What happened
- How you reacted and why you found the situation funny

Last weekend, my family **had a good laugh** together from what started as a heated argument between my parents. I returned from the gym that afternoon to find my father red in the face and my mother looking sullen. They exchanged curt words and didn't even look at each other. **Reading between the lines**, it **came to my knowledge** that my father had got mad because he couldn't find the hamburger he had just bought anywhere.

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예쁜 누나

Since my mother had always been complaining about his liking for **junk food**, he assumed that it was she who had hidden or thrown his hamburger away. He even **held her responsible** for violating his freedom to eat, shouting that he felt suffocated because of her **overprotective** manner. My mother, on the other hand, **resolutely refuted** his accusation and stated that it was unreasonable of him to **throw such a tantrum**. That remark **added fuel to the fire**, with my father **storming out of the room**. However, when he reached the door, he turned and said: "You made me really mad. Now give me some money so that I can go and have a beer with my friend!".

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After hearing that, I couldn't **keep a straight face**, though he was very serious. He looked at me curiously, yet a few seconds later, it **dawned on** him that he was in such an **ironic** situation.

Like many **dual-income families** in our country, my father gives most of his salary to my mother so she is the cashier of the family. Anyway, once my father realized that he had just asked my mother for his own money when he was fighting with her, he couldn't stop laughing. Soon enough, we three **broke into laughter** till our stomachs ached. In the end, we found out it was Lulu-our dog - who had stolen the hamburger.





CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Family and Children

1. dual-income family

Meaning: a family where both the father and mother work and earn money

Example: Changes in society have resulted in the dual-income family becoming the most common family type.

Dịch đại ý

Nghĩa: gia đình có cả mẹ và cha cùng đi làm có thu nhập

Ví dụ: Những thay đổi trong xã hội dẫn tới việc gia đình có 2 thu nhập đang là loại gia đình phổ biến nhất.

2. to be overprotective

Meaning: to be too worried about the safety of someone, especially a child

Example: If parents are overprotective of their children, there is a danger that the children will become too dependent on their parents.

Dịch đại ý

Nghĩa: lo lắng thái quá về sự an toàn của ai đó, đặc biệt là của một đứa trẻ

Ví dụ: Nếu cha mẹ bảo vệ con cái quá mức, con cái sẽ trở nên quá phụ thuộc vào cha mẹ mình.



Từ thuộc chủ đề Environment

1. to hold sbdy accountable for

Meaning: to consider someone responsible for something; to blame something on someone

Example: Companies which discharge chemical waste from their factories into the sea or into rivers must be held accountable for their actions and be fined heavily.

Dịch đại ý

Nghĩa: coi ai đó có trách nhiệm cho cái gì/ đổ lỗi cho ai về chuyện gì đó

Ví dụ: Các công ty xả rác thải hóa chất từ nhà máy ra biển hoặc sông hồ cần phải chịu trách nhiệm cho hành động của mình và bị phạt nặng.

Từ thuộc chủ đề Food and Diet:

1. Junk food

Meaning: food that is quick and easy to prepare and eat, but that is thought to be bad for your health

Example: The consumption of too much junk food is a major factor in the increase of childhood obesity.

Dịch đại ý

Nghĩa: Đồ ăn chế biến và ăn nhanh nhưng thường không tốt cho sức khỏe

Ví dụ: Việc tiêu thụ quá nhiều đồ ăn vặt là một trong những lí do chính dẫn đến gia tăng bệnh béo phì ở trẻ em



CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Reading

1. to come to somebody's knowledge

Meaning: to become known by somebody

Example: If it comes to the knowledge of your manager that you are honest and hard-working, your promotion prospects will be improved.

Dịch đại ý

Nghĩa: được ai đó biết tới

Ví dụ: Nếu được nhà quản lí biết tới là một người chân thành và chăm chỉ thì khả năng được thăng tiến của bạn sẽ tốt hơn.

2. to read between the lines

Meaning: to look for a meaning that is not openly stated

Example: Reading between the lines, the reports of recent international conferences are not optimistic about achieving agreement on climate change.

Dịch đại ý

Nghĩa: hiểu được ý nghĩa dù không biết chi tiết

Ví dụ: Hiểu rõ những gì đang xảy ra, các báo cáo ở những hội thảo gần đây không lạc quan lắm về việc đạt được thỏa thuận về thay đổi khí hậu.



Từ thuộc chủ đề Communication and Personality

to throw a tantrum

Meaning: to become very angry and unreasonable

Example: When you are a grown-up, you don't throw a tantrum if something offends you, you discuss it.

Dịch đại ý

To throw a tantrum: tức giận vô cớ

Nghĩa: cực kỳ tức giận 1 cách vô lý

Ví dụ: Khi đã là một người trưởng thành, bạn sẽ không còn tức giận vô cớ nếu có gì không vừa lòng, mà sẽ thẳng thắn nói về điều đó.

Các từ khác

1.have a good laugh: to have fun. (cười vui vẻ)

Example: I love spending time with my little sister, we always have a good laugh.

2.curt (adj): rudely brief (cộc lốc)

Example: his reply was curt, so it was not surprising that his boss was offended.

3.resolutely refute: to deny something strongly (phản đối một cách mạnh mẽ)

Example: he resolutely refuted the idea that men and women should have equal pay for doing the same job.



4.add fuel to the fire: make an already bad situation worse (đổ dầu vào lửa)

Example: I'm even afraid to respond to this, for fear that it adds fuel to the fire.

5.storm out of sth: to burst out of some place or situation angrily. (đi ra ngoài một cách giận giữ)

Example: Carol stormed out of the office in a rage.

6.keep a straight face: to avoid showing any emotion, esp. amusement (giữ nghiêm túc)

Example: I thought it would be funny to tell him he had white sunscreen on his nose, but it was hard to keep a straight face when I was talking to him.

7. it dawn(s/ed) on sb that: to become apparent to someone, to realise something (ai đó nhận ra rằng)

Example: On the way home, it dawned on me that I had never returned your call, so when I got home I called immediately.

8. ironic(adj) happening in an unexpected way (mỉa mai)

Example: it was ironic that now everybody had plenty of money for food, they couldn't obtain it because everything was rationed.

9.break into laughter: to start laughing suddenly (phá lên cười)

Example: When my dog followed me into the classroom one day, the whole class broke into laughter.

“ Describe
your **favourite movie** ”



You should say:

- What is the name of the movie?
- What is the theme of the movie?
- Why do you like it?
- And describe the story of the movie in brief

Well, my favourite movie has to be "Avengers: Infinity War". It's a new **release**, and I went to my local cinema to see it on the big screen. Of course, the theme is a familiar one, the battle of good versus evil, with the good guys winning in the end, against all the odds.





I really like the movie for two reasons. Firstly, I am a **connoisseur** of adventure movies, the more fantastic the better. This film is definitely **in the realm of science fiction**, my favourite **genre**. Secondly, it features several much-loved characters and, naturally, the film is **bound to appeal to audiences**. I've always been a fan of characters like Iron Man, Thor, the Hulk and the rest of the Avengers team and so the movie was a **must-see** for me.



The Avengers **join forces with** the Guardians of the Galaxy to stop the evil Thanos from **amassing** the all-powerful Infinity Stones. The idea is certainly not original – the plot **outline** is similar to “The Lord of the Rings”, for example. For most of the movie, the fate of the world **hangs in the balance**. However, the movie **incorporates** all the **visual effects** associated with **leading-edge technology** and so the action is **thick and fast**. There is no time to get bored and, of course, we identify with the heroes as they constantly **face** fresh dangers.



CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Art

1. to be a connoisseur of

Meaning: to be an expert on matters involving the quality or excellence of something.

Example: In order to enjoy beautiful paintings it is not necessary to be a connoisseur of works of art.

2. to appeal to audiences

Meaning: to attract or interest those who go to watch a play or movie.

Example: Movies which have famous actors in the cast are more likely to appeal to audiences.

CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Space Exploration

1. in the realm of science fiction

Meaning: only possible in science fiction stories, in fantasy.

Example: Most of the arguments in favour of the space program are in the realm of science fiction.



CÁC TỪ THUỘC CHỦ ĐỀ: Technology

1. leading-edge technology

Meaning: the most advanced position in technology.

Example: Manufacturers of electronic devices always advertise their products as having the latest leading-edge technology.

Các từ khác:

- **release** (noun): a thing that is made available to the public, like a new movie or CD.

Eg. The new movie goes on release next week.

- **genre** (noun): a particular type or style of literature, art, film or music that you can recognize because of its special features.

Eg. Science fiction is a genre which has been popular for many years.

- **bound** (adjective): certain to happen.

Eg. You're bound to be nervous before the exam.



• **to join forces with** (expression): to work together to achieve a shared aim.

Eg: Ferrari joined forces with BMW to produce a new sports car.

• **to amass** (verb): to collect something, especially in large quantities.

Eg. They amassed a fortune when they discovered gold on their land.

• **outline** (noun): a description of the main points or facts of something.

Eg. She drew up an outline for the essay before she wrote it.

• **to hang in the balance** (expression): to be uncertain.

Eg. The result of the match hung in the balance until Barcelona scored a goal in the final minute.

• **to incorporate** (verb): to include something, so that it forms part of something.

Eg. The new car design incorporates all the latest safety features.



• **visual effects** (expression): special images that are added to a film or video, generated by computers.

Eg. I remember the incredible visual effects of the film 'Titanic' as the ship sank into the ocean.

• **thick and fast** (expression): quickly and in large quantities.

Eg. After the presentation, the questions from students came thick and fast.

• **to face** (verb): if you face a particular situation, you have to deal with it.

Eg. As soon as they saw the mountain, they knew that they faced a difficult climb.

• **death-defying** (adjective): that people think is very dangerous to do, or attempt to do.

Eg. I admire the acrobats in the circus, because they perform death-defying feats at every performance.

**SPEAKING
PART 2**

Get Tickets

“ Describe your **favorite movie** ”



INCREDIBLES 2

You should say:

- What the name of the movie is
- What the theme of the movie is
- Why you like it

(What the name of the movie is)

A great number of movies have been released recently, but one that has really **caught on** is The Incredibles 2, which I am going to talk about today. The production of the movie **came as a huge surprise**— it never **crossed anyone's mind** that a movie **sequel** might be produced 14 years after the release of the first installment.



(What the theme of the movie is)

The Incredibles 2, a computer-animated superhero movie distributed by Walt Disney Pictures, portrays the adventures of the superpowered Parr family. Bob, also known as Mr. Incredible, is **notable for** his outstanding strength, and his wife, Helen, has an **elastic** body. Their daughter, Violet, can make herself invisible, and her brother Dash has the ability to run at **lightning speed**. Jack-Jack, just a baby, changes his dad's role from the world's savior in the first movie to a babysitter in the sequel. Fans' **curiosity** has been aroused about Jack-Jack's superpower. In this movie, Helen is selected to take the lead by openly fighting crime in New Urbremand **confronts** the Screenslaver, who **hijacks** screens to project pictures to brainwash people. Each **battle** tells a meaningful story, which can only be fully comprehended at the end of the movie.



(Why you like it)

I like the movie for many reasons. First, *The Incredibles*—both the original and the sequel—are not just about battles and fighting; instead, they tell meaningful stories from Brad Bird, the movies' creator and director. The family is close-knit, and its members support one another. A discerning viewer will see that the film upholds the value of women. A lot has changed since the first "Incredibles", when Bob played the main role. In the sequel, Helen, a woman, plays the most vital role in confronting rivals and **putting a stop to** evil. I love the movie because of its colorful animation and its meaningful stories.



1. To catch on: rất phổ biến

2. To come as a surprise: gây bất ngờ

3. To cross someone's mind: nghĩ về cái gì đó

4. Sequel: phần tiếp theo của một bộ phim/cuốn sách

5. To be notable for: đáng chú ý bởi

6. To be elastic: dẻo dai

7. Hijacks: hắc (máy tính, màn hình)

8. To arouse someone's curiosity: làm ai đó tò mò

9. To confront: đối đầu

10. Battle: trận chiến

11. to put a stop to something: làm đứng lại cái gì đó



“

Describe **a famous person** that
you are interested in ”



You should say:

- Who this person is,
- How do you know about this person?
- What this person is famous for?
- Explain why you are interested in this person.

(Who this person is)

There are so many famous people that I adore, but the one I'm going to describe today is my all-time favorite celebrity – female singer Bich Phuong. She is a well-known solo singer, who has **gained enormous popularity** among Vietnamese music lovers.





Born and raised in Quang Ninh, Bich Phuong discovered a great passion for music and **embarked on** her singing career at quite a young age. In 2011, she **captured public attention** with her hit song "Có khi nào rời xa," which ranked high on the music charts, attracted many views and downloads on popular music web pages.

(How do you know about this person?)

I **caught my very first glimpse** of Bich Phuong on TV when she joined a **nation-wide** singing competition, Vietnam Idol, in 2010. At that time, although she only made it to top seven, she left a good impression on viewers with her **sustained efforts**.

(What this person is famous for?)

Widely considered as "Thánh nữ nhạc sầu", Bich Phuong's songs often talk about the **sorrows** of girls in love, the most famous of which are "Có khi nào rời xa," "Vâng anh đi đi," and "Gửi anh xa nhớ."

In recent years, Bich Phuong has **diversified** and improved her music in terms of style, which helps her reach a wider audience. Her latest music video, "Bua yeu," is a trendy pop song that received a massive nine million views a mere two days after its release.

(Explain why you are interested in this person)

Bich Phuong interests me and numerous other fans for different reasons. Her music is incredible in terms of both musical content and imagery, showing her total **commitment to** her singing career; this is exemplified in the funny, catchy song "Bao giờ lấy chồng," where she really **gets out of her comfort zone** and, I feel, expresses some of her true inner character. Contrary to her sweet, gentle image, I feel that Bich Phuong is quite **witty** and amuses others with her incredible **sense of humor**.





1. gain in popularity (expression):

be increasingly liked, enjoyed, or supported by many people: ngày càng nổi tiếng

2. embark on (expression):

to start something new or important: dẫn thân vào

3. capture attention (expression):

receive attention: thu hút sự chú ý

4. catch a glimpse of (expression):

to see someone or something briefly; to get a quick look at someone or something: bắt gặp

5. nation-wide (adj):

existing or happening in all parts of a particular country: trên khắp cả nước

6. sustained efforts (expression):
determined efforts: nỗ lực không ngừng, quyết tâm

7. sorrows (n): (a cause of) a feeling of great sadness: sự buồn bã, đau khổ

8. diversify (v): to start to include more different types or things: làm đa dạng

9. commitment (n): a willingness to give your time and energy to something that you believe in, or a promise or firm decision to do something: sự tận tâm

10. comfort zone (expression): a situation in which you feel comfortable and in which your ability and determination are not being tested: vùng an toàn

11. witty (adj): using words in a clever and funny way: hóm hỉnh

12. sense of humor (n): your ability to understand funny things: khiếu hài hước



“ Describe your **favorite song** ”



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You should say:

- What this song is about
- And explain why you think it is your favorite

I'm going to describe my latest favorite song, "Chạy ngay đi", which is composed and performed by Sơn Tùng MTP. This music marks his comeback to the Vpop race after more than a year, which has been **eagerly anticipated by** his fans, and many other music lovers in Vietnam.



The song is a perfect blend of RnB and hip-hop, and describes the feeling of a wealthy man who longs for true love. When he finds out that his girlfriend only **approached** him because of his money, he was so devastated and enraged that he wants to kill her. **Eventually**, however, his rage turns to yearning, and he realizes that he cannot win her heart, so chooses to burn all the memories of their love.

Although this song was only **released** yesterday, I have been replaying the music video as I am **mesmerized** by the melody, as well as the acting of the female star, Davika. I first saw her in a Thai movie, "Tình người duyên ma," and has been her **devoted fan** ever since. In the music video, she is really sexy and attractive, which is the reason why Son Tùng is so obsessed with her. Undoubtedly, her feature also **adds** to the music video's strong appeal to both international and domestic fans.



(And explain why you think it is your favorite)

In my opinion, this song **endears itself to** many people, including me, due to many factors. On the one hand, I really love Sơn Tùng MTP's songs, as the melody and lyrics are catchy and well-written, and this piece is no exception. With a fast and fierce rhythm, the song offers listeners a sense of excitement. The song "Chạy ngay đi" **represents** Sơn Tùng 's unique music style, which has **catered to** a wide range of audiences over the years. Moreover, Sơn Tùng MTP's investment in every detail in the music video, including actors, wardrobe, and background, also **contribute to** the ongoing success of the music he produces.





1. (be) eagerly anticipated(-expression):

(be) expected to happen in an eager way: được mong chờ một cách hào hứng

2. approach(v):

to come nearer to something or someone: tiếp cận

3. (be) infuriated (adj):

be extremely angry: cực kỳ tức giận, phẫn nộ

4. eventually(adv):

in the end, especially after a long time or a lot of effort, problems, etc.: cuối cùng thì

5. release (v):

to make a product, for example a book, available for the public to buy, often with a celebration; launch: gần như

6. mesmerize (v):

to have someone's attention completely so that they cannot think of anything else: mê hoặc

7. a devoted fan(expression): an extremely loving and loyal fan: fan trung thành

**8. add up to (expression):**

to become a particular amount: đóng góp vào

9. represent(v):

to be a sign or symbol of something: đại diện, đặc trưng cho

10. cater to(v):

to satisfy a need or to provide what is wanted or needed by a particular person or group: chăm sóc, đáp ứng cho

11. contribute to (v):

to give something, especially money, in order to provide or achieve something together with other people: đóng góp vào

SPEAKING PART 1

"Plant"



Điêu
khoa hồng

1. Do you like plants?

(Answer)

Yes, I do like plants.

(Give a reason for your answer)

A garden filled with a variety of **fragrant** flowers really **makes my day** and **lifts my spirits**.

2. What plants do you like?

(Answer)

For an **extrovert**, like me, roses are definitely a beloved flower.

(Give a reason for your answer)

Roses are often regarded as a symbol of romance and **undying love**. But their beauty has also allowed them to serve as a **gesture**

of remembrance. A **bouquet** of white roses, for example, is an ideal way to say "I'm thinking of you."

3. Have you ever grown any plants?

(Answer)

Yes!

(Give a reason for your answer)

When I was in primary school, the teachers once organized a planting campaign. I planted a sampling of roses in front of the hallway. It turned out to be successful, and the flowers **gave off** a very sweet fragrance when they were **in bloom**.



4. Did you know any plants when you were a child?

(Answer)

Because of my **passion for** roses, I only really knew about roses when I was a child.

(Give a reason for your answer)

I mostly spent a lot of good times planting them, with **the help of** my father, who **shares the same interest.**

(Give a reason for your answer)

This knowledge is a must if you want to have a **gorgeous** garden where you can enjoy the harmonization of different kinds of flowers. It's thanks to my dad, who always **lends me a hand** whenever I need assistance, that I've acquired this skill and experience.

5. Do you know how to grow plants?

(Answer)

Yes.



Fragrant (noun): Mùi hương

Make my day (expression):
Khiến bạn hạnh phúc cả ngày.

Lift my spirits (expression): Làm
cho mình cảm thấy hứng thú,
hào hứng.

Extrovert (adjective): Hướng
ngoại.

Undying love (expression): Tình
yêu bất tử.

A bouquet of (noun): Bó hoa.

To give off (verb): Tỏa ra mùi
hương.

To be in bloom (expression): Nở
hoa.

In my childhood (expression):
Trong tuổi thơ.

Chunks of good time (expres-
sion): Dành một khoảng thời
gian đáng kể để làm gì đó.

To share the same interest (ex-
pression): Có cùng sở thích.

Gorgeous (adjective): Rực rỡ,
lộng lẫy.

To join hands (expression): Giúp
đỡ, phụ tay.



“ Describe a person who
is **talkative** ”



You should say:

- Who the person is
- How you know the person
- What the person likes to talk about

(Who the person is)

I am going to describe a talkative person who has **emerged as** one of the most widely-liked movie characters in modern cinema: Deadpool, the main character in a series of comics and movies named after him.





(How you know the person)

I watched the movie Deadpool by chance when my friend and I got stuck in Diamond Plaza due to a storm and we **made up our minds** to watch a movie while we waited for the thunderclouds to stop **churning**. My friend, John, **opted for** Deadpool 2. After watching the movie, I fell in love with Deadpool, who was extremely talkative as well as **instrumental in** bringing humor to the movie. I figured out quite quickly why the movie is **all the rage!**

(What the person likes to talk about)

Deadpool, also known as Wade Wilson, is diagnosed with cancer, but he thumbs his nose at the news and usually **makes light of** his disease. For example, he claims that his superpower is just simply cancer: give him a bow and an arrow and he will become Hawkeye. In addition, Deadpool is a smug guy who often demeans his rivals by saying offensive, but hilarious things. He refers to his friend Cable as a "time-slider" because he makes use of a watch to travel back to the past in hopes of preventing an accident from happening to his girlfriend. A discerning viewer will spot that Deadpool curses so much at his rivals that it becomes comedic, making the whole cinema **split their sides with laughter**.



1. To emerge: nổi lên

2. To name after: đặt tên theo

3. To make up someone's mind: quyết định

4. To churn: khuấy tung

5. To opt for: chọn lựa

6. To be instrumental in: đóng góp công lớn / đóng vai trò quan trọng

7. To be all the rage: rất phổ biến.

8. To look down on: xem thường.

9. Split sides with laughter: cười đau bụng / cười lớn.



**SPEAKING
PART 2**

IELTS

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“ Describe an
interesting animal ”



You should say:

- What it looks like
- When you saw/knew it for the first time
- Where it lives

(What it looks like)

I am going to describe the dinosaur—the kind of animal I am now researching for my final report. From kids to the elderly, everyone hears about this late animal at some point in their lives.



Dinosaurs are **notable for** their huge size and aggressiveness, which scares people—especially children—whenever they appear in movies. In films, dinosaurs usually play the role of a villain as they hunt and kill people. At the very least, they're used as fierce guards. Dinosaurs also have sharp teeth that are always ready to attack people or other animals.

(When you saw/knew it for the first time)

Like most people, I first saw this kind of animal in movies. When I was young—around 5 or 6—I was **exposed to** technology, which enabled me to learn more about things





that I would never be able to see in real life. As a result, I **stumbled on** dinosaurs. When I first saw them, I **had no idea** what they were. I asked my mom about them, after which I **had a negative impression** of them, because my mom said that they were cruel. I was so curious, however, that I spent an entire week **engrossed in** learning more about them, which made me understand that they were not as bad as I initially thought.

(Where it lives)

From my saying “the late animal” at the beginning of this speech, you may have assumed that dinosaurs can no longer be found on Earth. Dinosaurs are reported to have become extinct after a meteorite **collision with** the Earth, causing a mass extinction that included dinosaurs. However, dinosaurs always live on in children’s imaginations, helping them **steer clear of** dangers and forcing them to study harder and live better. In children’s minds, dinosaurs can kill them if they do not **behave themselves** or try harder in their studies.

1. late: quá cố

2. To be notable for sth: đáng chú ý.

3. To expose to: tiếp cận

4. To stumble upon: vô tình thấy.

5. To have a negative impression about sth: có ấn tượng xấu về cái gì đó

6. To be engrossed in: say mê

7. Collision: sự va chạm.

8. Meteorite: thiên thạch

9. To steer clear from sth: tránh xa khỏi

10. To behave oneself: cư xử đúng mực.



“ Describe **a situation** when you had to be **polite** ”

연애까진 해줄게.
일은 계속해.

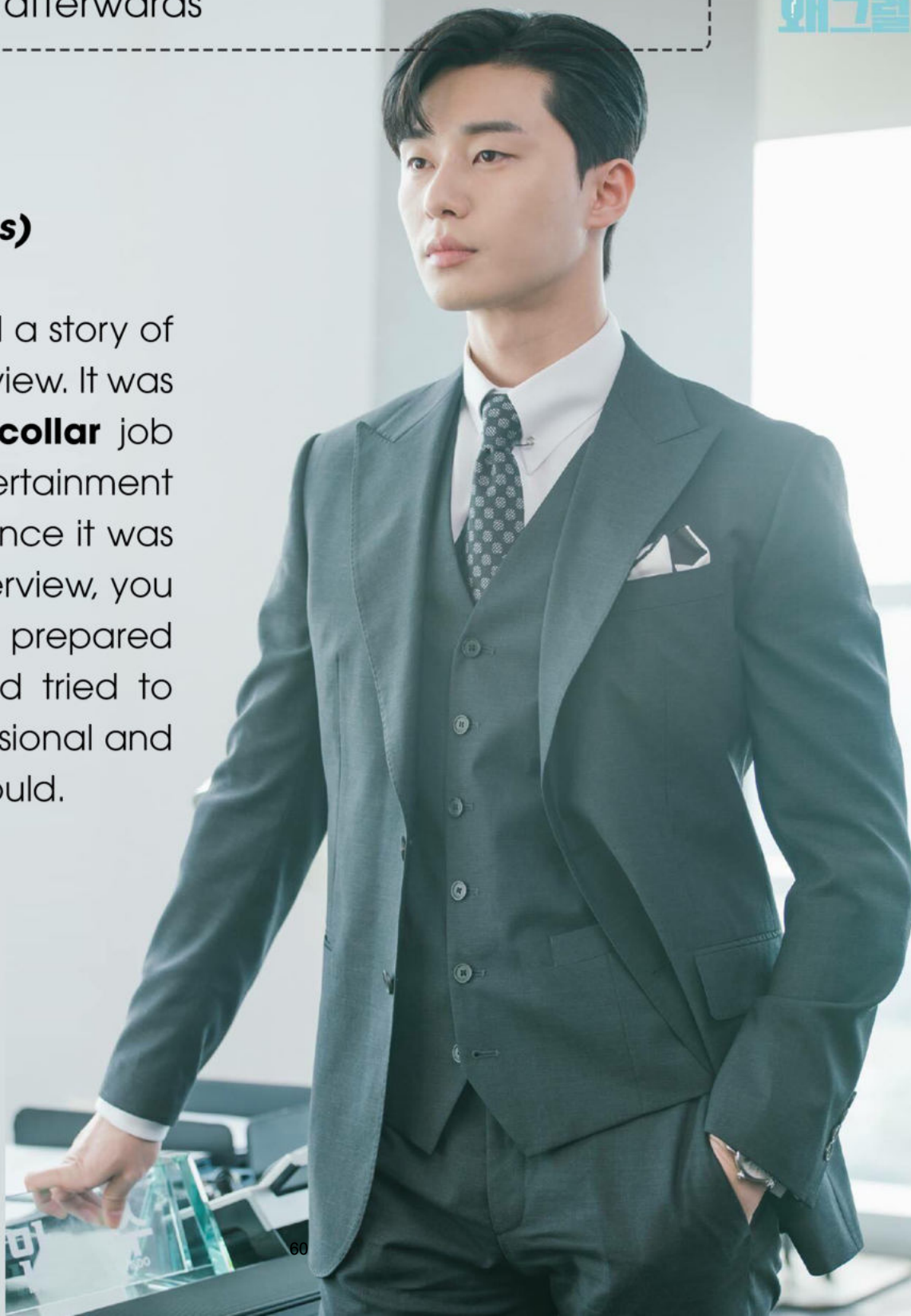


You should say:

- What it was
- What did you do to be polite?
- Why did you have to be polite?
- And explain how you felt about it afterwards

(What it was)

I'd like to tell a story of my first interview. It was for a **white-collar** job in an entertainment company. Since it was a formal interview, you know, I prepared carefully and tried to be as professional and polite as I could.



(Why did you have to be polite?)

Obviously, a job interview always **turns out** to be a serious event, despite the efforts of the interviewers to make it more comfortable. Hence, keeping a respectful attitude and behaving politely are important. Aside from that, the company I applied for was pretty **renowned** in the entertainment industry, so it just made more sense for me to be as courteous as possible. I mean, the chances of **being shortlisted** would definitely be higher if I could show my polite attitude, apart from my experience and all sorts of other stuff.



(What did you do to be polite?)

Because it was my first experience of having an interview, I felt so anxious that I couldn't actually sleep the previous night. I didn't want to **squander my chance**. I ended up oversleeping the next day, but thank God I still arrived on time for the interview. As it was a formal occasion, I put on a white blouse, a black miniskirt, and high heels, like a typical office woman. Despite my fears, the interview ran smoothly. The interviewers were so nice and friendly. They showed no rudeness or arrogance and responded to my greetings in a gentle way. They even **made small talk** at first, probably to help relieve my nervousness.



As a result, I got calmer and answered all the questions confidently. I couldn't **have a completely laid-back attitude**, and I had to **be wary of being too familiar**. Still, as the atmosphere got more pleasant, I managed to stop worrying about using formal words and expressions, all that stuff, and focused more on speaking my mind.

(Explain how you felt about it afterwards)

It was a relief when the interview ended. A week later, I received an acceptance email from the company and was placed on a **probation** period. I was extremely happy and I felt like I was **floating on air** for the rest of the day. That's my experience of being extremely polite on a particular occasion.



1. white-collar: working in an office, not a factory

2. to squander a chance: to waste an opportunity, by not taking advantage of it

3. to make small talk/to exchange pleasantries: to talk in a polite way about unimportant matters such as the weather

4. to have a laid-back attitude: relaxed, not worrying about anything

5. to be wary of: not completely trusting or certain about something (đề phòng)

6. (to) turn out (phrasal verb) : to be discovered to be; to prove to be: hóa ra là.

7. renowned (adjective) (famous): nổi tiếng

8. (to) shortlist (verb): to put somebody/something on a shortlist for a job, prize, etc : cho ai vào vòng trong

9. familiar (adjective): very informal, in a way that is not appropriate (quen thuộc)

10. probation (noun): a time of training and testing when you start a new job to see if you are suitable for the work: thử việc.

11. (to) float on air (expression): to feel very happy





“ Describe your **favourite season** of the year ”



You should say:

- What the weather is like
- Why you like this season
- What activities you usually do during it
- How different kinds of weather would affect people

(What the weather is like)

Today, I would like to describe the summer, which is the season I love the most.

(Why you like this season)

There are a wide range of reasons why I **give preference to** this season. Firstly, the **monsoon** season **falls in** the summer, which means that the **heatwaves** will no longer hit the southern part of Vietnam and I will not have to endure extremely hot days like in March and April



Secondly, I do not have to go to school in the summer and I believe that students like me love the summer for the same reason. In the 2-month summer break, I get a great amount of free time at my disposal and do various activities in which I am interested.

(What activities you usually do during it)

Since I am **up to my ears** in work during the school year, when the school year is about to **come to an end**, the first thing that **springs to mind** is travelling. **Going on a holiday** in an ASEAN member country is a tradition for me and my cousins.



Two years ago, we went to Thailand and last year we went to Malaysia and Singapore. Moreover, a great number of movies about the summer are released such as the one which has emerged as one of the most widely-liked movies recently, named “Nhằm mắt mùa hè”, which is Vietnamese for “Summer through closed eyes”.

(How different kinds of weather would affect people)

Actually, the weather is unpredictable. One minute, there may be lots of sunshine and the temperature may be 33 degrees Celcius, but the next minute thunderclouds will fill up the sky and it will **rain cats and dogs**. This unpredictability means people can't be well prepared. Also, rains cause floods all over the city, which causes engine damage and makes vehicles travel **at a snail's pace**. Despite my love for the summer and the rains, I cannot deny that they are bothersome sometimes.



1. **To give preference:** thiên vị.
2. **To fall:** rơi vào / diễn ra
3. **Monsoon:** mùa mưa
4. **Heatwaves:** sóng nhiệt.
5. **To come to an end:** kết thúc.
6. **To spring to someone's mind:** nghĩ về cái gì đó.
7. **To go on a holiday:** đi du lịch.
8. **To rain cats and dogs:** mưa rất to.
9. **at a snail's pace:** rất chậm
10. **up to someone's ears:** rất bận rộn



“

Describe a **recent event** that
made you happy”

”



You should say:

- What the event was
- When and where it happened
- Who participated in this event
- What you saw or did and explain why this event was so enjoyable

(What the event was)

The event that never fails to give me an **ecstatic** feeling is undoubtedly the FIFA World Cup, which is currently underway. The World Cup is the most **prestigious** association football tournament, as well as the most widely viewed and followed sporting event in the world, exceeding even the Olympic Games. The 2018 World Cup is being held in Russia from 14 June through the final match on 15 July 2018.



(When and where it happened)

The championship has been awarded every four years since the inaugural tournament in 1930, except in 1942 and 1946 when it was not held because of the Second World War. It is Russia's first time hosting this world-renowned competition, which officially started 14th June 2018. The matches will take place in 12 stadiums, **distributed** across 11 cities.



(Who participated in this event)

Every four years, 32 of the best men's soccer teams from across the globe compete for the title of FIFA World Cup winner. The final tournament this year, as usual, will see 32 countries, which include 31 teams that are determined through qualifying competitions plus the **automatically** qualified host team Russia, battle fiercely to decide who will lift the **iconic** golden trophy.





(What you saw or did and explain why this event was so enjoyable)

After four years of **eager anticipation** and expectations, it's time again to prepare my voice for a few weeks of shouting at the TV screen. Seeing the world's most competent groups playing magnificent, **first-class** football with 100% of their strength offers immense satisfaction for me and every football buff. The World Cup manages to generate a more passionate, **fervent**, and almost religious-like following from fans around the planet. The joy that people **derive from** watching their country play at the World Cup, and the excitement and the passion that it **elicits**, is something that no other event in the world—be it in the field of sports, entertainment, or politics—can match.

1. ecstatic (adj): extremely happy: cực kì hạnh phúc, sung sướng

2. prestigious (adj): receive attention: thu hút sự chú ý

3. distribute (v): to give something out to several people, or to spread or supply something: phân phát, phân bố

4. automatically (adv): according to rules or schedules that are certain to be followed: một cách tự động

5. iconic (adj): a relating to or characteristic of a famous person

or thing that represents something of importance: mang tính biểu tượng

6. first-class (adj): of the highest quality or standard: đẳng cấp

7. fervent (adj): used to describe beliefs that are strongly and sincerely felt or people who have strong and sincere beliefs: nhiệt thành

8. derive from (v): to get or obtain something: có được

9. elicit (v): to obtain something, esp. information or a reaction: tạo ra, gợi lên

