

Pair Mock Pack

Three complete 3-part interviews for timed pair practice (~14 minutes each).

Interview A — theme: routines & skills

Part 1 (4–5 min)

- 1 Let's talk about your daily life. What is a typical weekday like for you?
- 2 Do you prefer to plan your day or be spontaneous?
- 3 Is there a part of your routine you would like to change?

Part 2 (3–4 min) — give the candidate 1 minute to prepare

Describe a skill you would like to learn. You should say:

- what the skill is
- why you want to learn it
- how you would learn it
- and explain how it would be useful.

Part 3 (4–5 min)

- 1 Why do people find it hard to make time for learning?
 - 2 Should employers help their staff learn new skills?
 - 3 How might the skills people need change in the future?
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Interview B — theme: places & community

Part 1 (4–5 min)

- 1 Let's talk about where you live. What kind of area is it?
- 2 What do people in your area usually do at the weekend?
- 3 Has your area changed much in recent years?

Part 2 (3–4 min) — give the candidate 1 minute to prepare

Describe a place you enjoy visiting. You should say:

- where it is
- how often you go there
- what you do there
- and explain why you enjoy it.

Part 3 (4–5 min)

- 1 What makes a public place pleasant to spend time in?
 - 2 Should cities have more green spaces? Why?
 - 3 How can people be encouraged to take care of shared spaces?
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Interview C — theme: media & influence

Part 1 (4–5 min)

- 1 Let's talk about free time. How do you usually relax?
- 2 Do you prefer watching films or reading? Why?
- 3 How often do you try something new in your free time?

Part 2 (3–4 min) — give the candidate 1 minute to prepare

Describe a book, film or programme you enjoyed. You should say:

- what it was about

- when you experienced it
- why you chose it
- and explain why you enjoyed it.

Part 3 (4–5 min)

- 1 Why do certain films or books become very popular?
 - 2 Can stories change the way people think about the world?
 - 3 Is it better to experience a story alone or with others?
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Pair work: Student A asks, Student B answers; swap after each set. Time each turn with the on-screen stopwatch in the matching handout. These are practice prompts in IELTS format — original to ALC, not retired exam questions.