Speaking Part 2: a cue card

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Understand the idea

Think about your listener and purpose. Use clear words, meaningful pauses and a relevant example.

Example: Make a polite request: Could you help me, please?

Prepare for 1 minute. Make brief notes, then speak for up to 2 minutes. Afterwards, use the separate Part 3-style discussion prompts below. Models are examples, not scripts to memorise.

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Try it yourself

1. Describe a public place you enjoy visiting.

Say where it is, what you do there, who you usually go with, and why the place matters to you.

2. Part 3-style discussion 1: How can a community help people learn from one another?

3. Part 3-style discussion 2: Is personal experience always more useful than formal instruction?

General Training Writing Task 1

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Plan before you begin

Check the audience, purpose and required length. Organise your ideas, write or speak, then check meaning and accuracy.
Example: A clear paragraph has one main idea with useful supporting detail.
Spend about 20 minutes. Write at least 150 words. You do not need to write addresses. Use a suitable opening and closing.
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Try it yourself

1. You attended a short course at a community centre. Write a letter to the coordinator. Explain what you found useful, describe one difficulty, and suggest an improvement.