

# Test3a



Speaking Proficiency English Assessment Kit



Do Not Turn The Page Until  
You Are Told To Do So. ►

SPEAK is produced by the Test of English as a Foreign Language program.

## GENERAL DIRECTIONS

In this test you will be able to demonstrate how well you speak English. The test will last approximately twenty minutes. You will be asked questions by an interviewer. The questions are printed in the test book, and the time you will have to answer each one is printed in parentheses after the question. You are encouraged to answer the questions as completely as possible in the time allowed. While most of the questions on the test may not appear to be directly related to your academic or professional field, each question is designed to tell the raters about your oral language ability. The raters will evaluate how well you communicate in English.

As you speak, your voice will be recorded. Your score for the test will be based on your speech sample. Be sure to speak loudly enough for the machine to record clearly what you say. Now please start your tape recorder so that it will record what you say. Your tape recorder should now be running and recording. Do not stop your tape recorder at any time during the test. If you have a problem with the tape recorder, notify the test supervisor immediately.



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Now the interviewer will ask you three questions. These questions are for practice and will not be scored, but it is important that you answer them.

How many times have you taken the SPEAK test? (10 seconds)

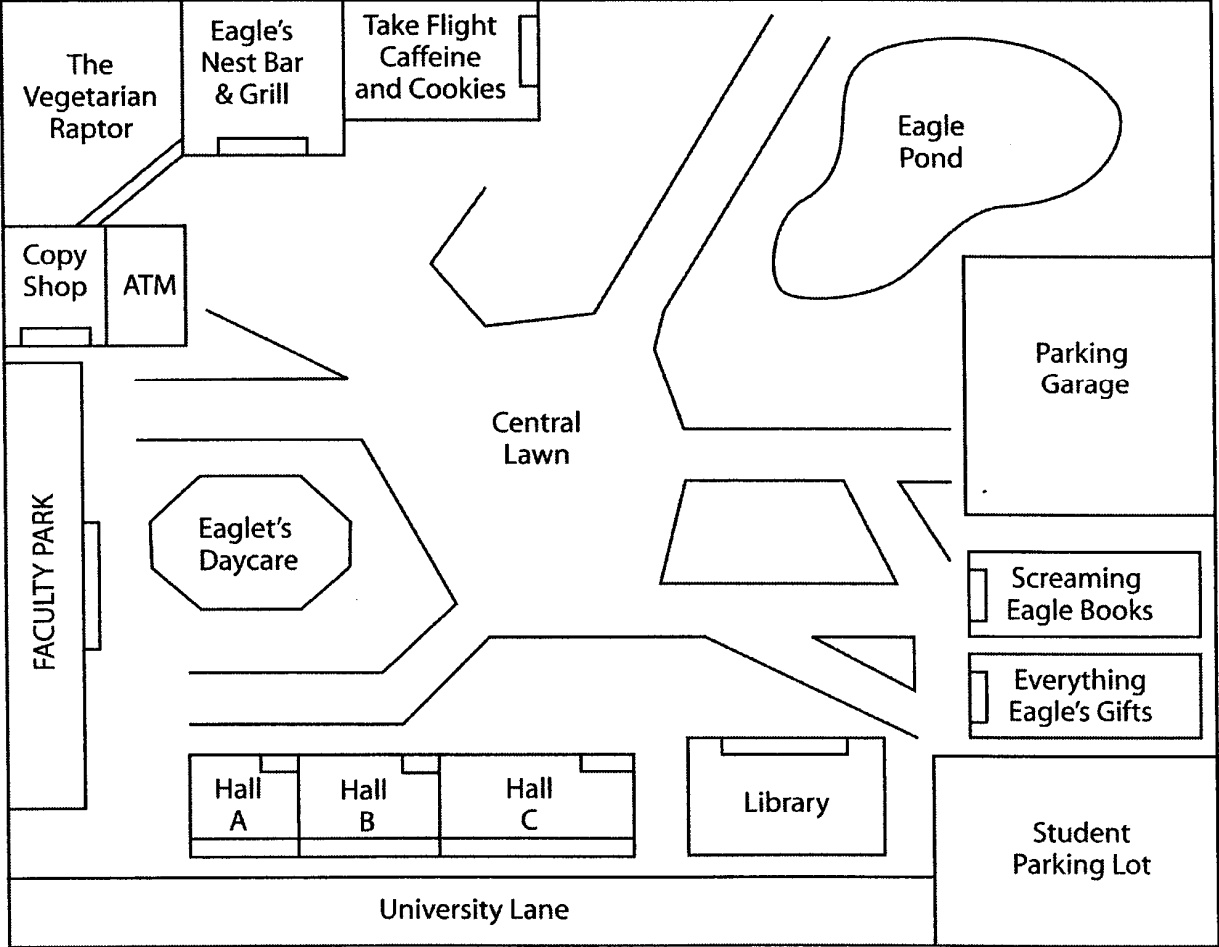
Do you like animals? (10 seconds)

Have you ever had pizza? (10 seconds)

Now the test will begin. Be sure to speak clearly and say as much as you can in responding to each question.



Imagine that we are friends. I am coming to visit you at your college. A map of part of your college campus appears below. Please study the map for 30 seconds.



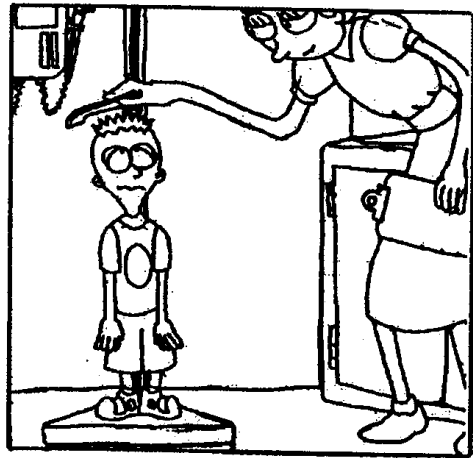
1. After parking in the garage, I need to take my child to daycare then get a cup of coffee. Please give me directions from the parking garage to Eaglet's Daycare to Take Flight Caffeine and Cookies. (30 seconds)
2. We're going to meet for lunch, but I will arrive about an hour early. Please recommend some place for me to relax while waiting for you. (30 seconds)
3. This campus features a library with many different kinds of reading. What is your favorite kind of reading, and why do you like it? (60 seconds)



Now please look at the six pictures below. I'd like you to tell me the story that the pictures show, starting with picture number 1 and going through picture number 6. Please take one minute to look at the pictures and think about the story. Do not begin the story until I tell you to do so.



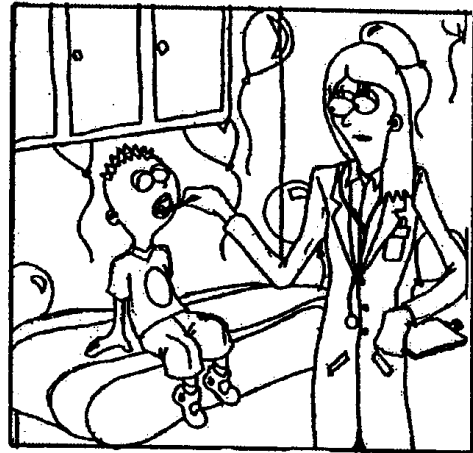
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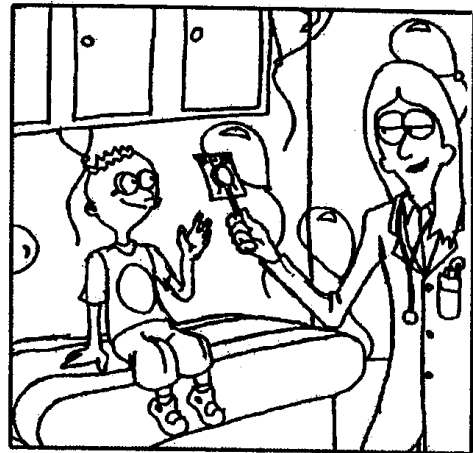
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4. Please tell the story that the pictures show. (60 seconds)
  
5. Imagine that you are the parent in this story. Your child is very afraid of shots and has been crying all morning. Persuade the doctor to postpone giving your child the shot at this visit. (45 seconds)
  
6. The child in this story is receiving an immunization. Many people believe that immunizations are an important part of health care, while other people believe that the large number of immunizations given to children is unnecessary. What are the advantages and disadvantages of immunizations for children? (60 seconds)



Now I'd like to hear your ideas about several topics. Be sure to say as much as you can in responding to each question. After I ask each question, you may take a few seconds to prepare your answer, and then begin speaking when you're ready.

7. I am a colleague from a different field and am interested in learning more about your field of study. Explain a key concept in your field to me. (60 seconds)

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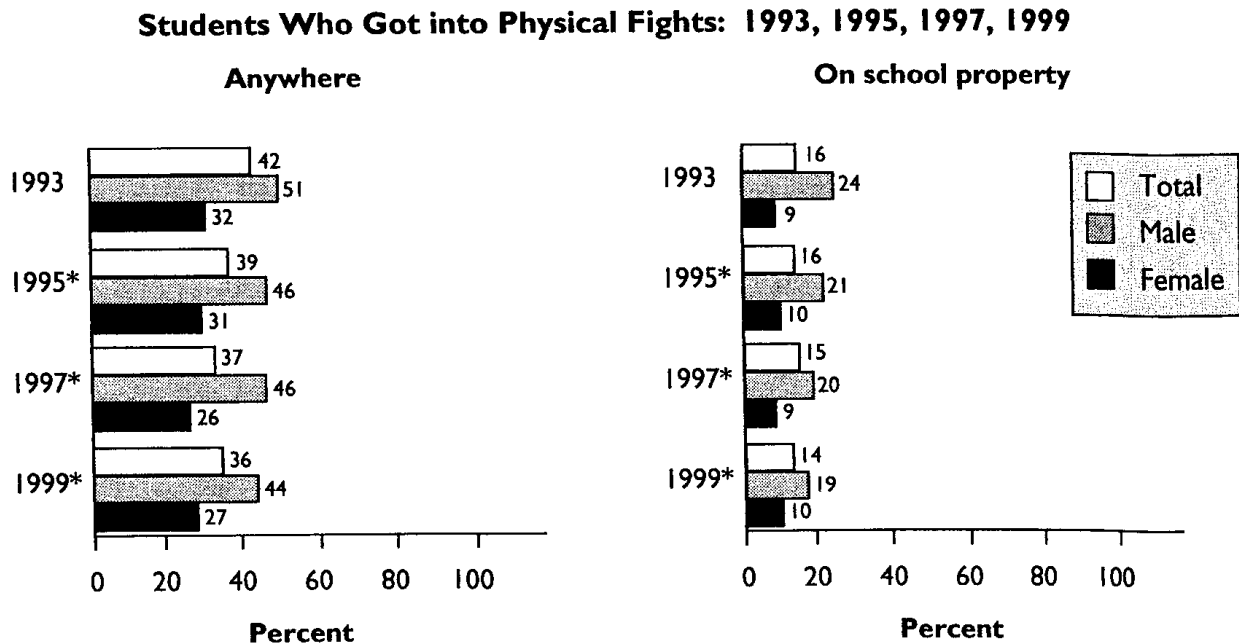
8. In the United States, marriage partners are chosen by individuals who date before they marry. In other countries, marriages are arranged by the family. What are the advantages and disadvantages of both kinds of marriage planning? (60 seconds)

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9. I would like to learn more about your country. What is the most important holiday celebration in your country? (60 seconds)

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10. Below is a graph. Although I can see the information in the graph, I would like for you to explain the information to me. (60 seconds)



11. What predictions can you make based on the graph? (45 seconds)



12. You are the Committee Chair of the Engaged Couples Weekend Workshop in your area. At the last meeting of volunteers, you handed out a schedule of events, but since that time, the schedule has changed. You need to review the information of all the events as well as note the changes that have been made. Do not just read the announcement, but present the information as though you were speaking to an audience. You will have 60 seconds to study the announcement. Do not begin speaking until you are told to do so. (90 seconds)

### **Engaged Couples Weekend Workshop**

**When:** Friday – Sunday, October 9-11

**Where:** American Suites Hotel

**Events:**

Friday 6:00 Check-in to Workshop\*

6:30 All Couples Welcome Dinner

8:00 All Couples Discussion (TBA)

**Wedding is a day: Marriage is a lifetime**

Saturday 7:30 Breakfast

9:00 Women — Conf. Room A

Men — Conf. Room B

11:00 All Couples Exchange

**Topic: Money**

12:30 ~~12:00~~ Working Lunch

Women — Conf. Room C

Men — Conf. Room A

2:00 All Couples — Volleyball!

3:30 Couples Letter Writing

6:30 Dinner

Women — Conf. Room C

Men — Conf. Room D

8:00 All Couples Movie!

Sunday ~~9:00~~ Breakfast and Farewell

**9:30**

*\* Pick up Workshop Packet and all materials at this time*