

IELTS Needs analysis and exam tips first lesson

Interview each other about your needs for English and IELTS and make brief notes.

Name:		
Job		
Present	Past	Future
(General) education		
Present	Past	Future
Studies of English		
Present	Past	Future
Use of English		
Present	Past	Future
IELTS and other English language exams		
Present	Past	Future
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Reasons for taking IELTS		
Advice on/ Opinions on the IELTS exam		

Look at an IELTS exam to continue your discussion.

Use some of these suggestions to extend your discussion on IELTS exam tips.

Listening

- Ways the exam is difficult and how to cope with those difficulties
- Tactics in the exam, including how to use the time before sections and after the recording has finished
- Things to listen out for
- What to do if you don't know an answer
- Ways to improve your vocabulary for this paper
- The best things to listen to outside class and how to listen to them
- How to use practice papers
- General tips on improving listening skills

Reading

- Ways the exam is difficult and how to cope with them
- Tactics in the exam, including time management
- What to do if you don't know an answer
- Ways to improve your vocabulary for this paper
- How to select which vocabulary to learn
- The best things to read outside class and how to read them
- How to use practice papers
- General tips on improving reading skills

Writing

- Ways the exam is difficult and how to cope with them
- Language you will need for the different parts of the paper
- Tactics in the exam, including time management
- Ways to make sure you answer the question
- Ways to organise your information well
- Ways to improve your accuracy
- Ways to improve the complexity of the language you use
- Ways to practice outside class
- Reading that could improve your writing

Speaking

- Ways the exam is difficult and how to cope with them
- Language you will need for the different parts of the paper
- Ways to improve your accuracy (including spelling, grammatical accuracy and correct use of vocabulary)
- Ways to improve the complexity of your language
- Ways to improve your fluency
- Ways to improve your pronunciation
- The best ways to practise speaking outside class
- Listening that could improve your speaking
- What to do if the question is difficult
- What to do if the question is impossible

Write three questions about the exam, for example about the topics above, to ask the whole class and then your teacher.