



IELTS Speaking Task Sheets

"Face the IELTS Speaking Exam with confidence"

SUPPORTING
THIS TASK

IELTS Speaking: *Advanced*

Unit 5: Structuring your long turn

Unit 6: Showcasing your English

LANGUAGE

Topic vocabulary

an action movie
bedtime reading
to be engrossed in
to be a big reader
to be based on
a blockbuster
to catch the latest movie
the central character
a classic
to come highly recommended
an e-book
an e-reader
to flick through
to get a good/bad review
to go on general release
hardback
a low budget film
on the big screen
a page turner
paperback
plot
to read from cover to cover
to see/watch a film
the setting
soundtrack
special effects
to tell the story of

Definitions

www.ieltspeaking.co.uk/ielts-books-and-films-vocabulary/

RECORDING

Why not record yourself trying this task on our website? Find the Week 9 practice test here: www.ieltspeaking.co.uk/ielts-speaking-practice-tests/

Week 9: Books and Films

Task: Part 2 Long Turn

Here's this week's Part 2 task

Describe a book you've read or a film you've seen. You should say:

- what this book or film was
 - when you read or saw it
 - why you decided to read the book or see the film
- and say if you enjoyed it and why.

1. Find the vocabulary you need

Look through the vocabulary on the left and decide which expressions could be used in your talk.

2. Task focus: the use of present tenses

When we describe the events in a book or film, we will often do this as if it's happening now. This means using the present tense, which also has the effect of making the action seem more engaging or dramatic. Experiment with using present tenses to describe the action in your book or film as this will make your description seem more natural and interesting. For example:

'The book is set in ...'

'The action takes place during ...'

'The main character falls in love with ...'

'In the end the hero returns to his home village and ...'

Find out more about this use of present tenses here:

www.ieltspeaking.co.uk/present-tenses-to-talk-about-films-and-books/

3. Make your long turn

Practise your long turn. If possible, record yourself using your phone or our online practice test. When you listen back, pay attention to your use of present tenses and which of the vocabulary on the left you were able to use.

4. IELTS Language Lab

When you have time, visit our IELTS Language Lab podcast for feedback on a student's attempt at this task:

www.ieltspeaking.co.uk/ielts-language-lab-test-9/

Task: Part 3 Discussion

Work with other students and discuss the following questions:

- Is reading as pleasurable in digital format?
- Do you think bookshops will survive the digital revolution?
- Statistics show that visits to the cinema are up despite the availability of DVDs and online downloads. Why do you think this might be?