

## Speaking Test 1 with Asia, Examiner's Commentary

The person interviewed is Asia, a Russian female. Asia is a student.

### Section 1

Asia spoke fluently and confidently and showed that she had a strong command of English. Asia used a wide range of vocabulary, including an idiomatic flexibility that seemed to come without effort. Asia's grammar usage was very accurate and she made practically no errors, though there were some ("people with temper" sounded a bit awkward). Asia had a very slight accent, but this was barely noticeable.

### Section 2

Again Asia spoke very well and she showed that she had no problem talking for a long turn. She seemed only to pause when deciding a direction for her speech and not to access language. Occasionally Asia used a slightly awkward word choice, but in general she had an excellent vocabulary range. Asia's grammar usage was again very accurate and there were no real errors, only the occasional awkward moment.

### Section 3

Asia dealt well with the more demanding questions of section 3 and she answered confidently and intelligently. Asia had a few more awkward moments with the greater linguistic demands in terms of grammar and vocabulary choice (e.g. "the environment is much different") and there were more pauses to access what she wanted to say. However, in general everything was pretty accurate and fluent. Asia's pronunciation was extremely clear.

**Marking** - The marking of the IELTS Speaking Test is done in 4 parts.

<u>Fluency and Coherence</u>	8
<u>Lexical Resource</u>	7.5
<u>Grammatical Range and Accuracy</u>	7.5
<u>Pronunciation</u>	9
<b>Estimated IELTS Speaking Band</b>	<b>8</b>

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