

Part 3 Answer Builder



Build longer, clearer answers without memorising a script.

In Speaking Part 3, **developing an idea clearly** matters more than using unusually difficult vocabulary.

A simple structure to help you develop an answer

1	2	3	4
POINT Answer directly	REASON Explain why	EXAMPLE Make it concrete	EXTENSION Add a result or contrast

Point → Reason → Example → Extension

Compare

Question: Why do some people prefer to work from home?

SHORT ANSWER

"I think people prefer working from home because it is more convenient."

Relevant, but the idea stops too quickly.

DEVELOPED ANSWER

"I think one of the main reasons is convenience. People do not have to spend time travelling to work every day, so they can often manage their time more easily. For example, someone with a long commute might save one or two hours each day by working from home. As a result, they may have more time for their family or other responsibilities."

What changed?

POINT	one of the main reasons is convenience
REASON	they do not have to spend time travelling
EXAMPLE	someone with a long commute can save time
EXTENSION	they may have more time for family or other responsibilities

Remember: you do not need all four parts every time. Use the structure to develop ideas naturally, not as a script.

Try it yourself

QUESTION Do you think young people spend too much time using technology?

POINT	What is your main answer? I think... In my view... Generally, I would say...
REASON	Why? The main reason is that... This is mainly because...
EXAMPLE	Can you make the idea more concrete? For example... For instance... A good example would be...
EXTENSION	What else can you add? As a result... However... On the other hand... This can mean that...

Make your answer sound natural

AVOID

"This is a very controversial topic in modern society and there are many advantages and disadvantages..."

It sounds prepared and may not answer the question.

TRY INSTEAD

"I think it depends on the situation, but generally..."

A natural starting point that lets you answer the actual question.

Your challenge

Choose one question and speak for around 30–45 seconds. Think: **Point** → **Reason** → **Example** → **Extension**

1. Why do some people prefer living in large cities?
2. Do you think schools should teach more practical skills?
3. How has technology changed the way people communicate?

Reflect

☐ Did I answer the question directly?	☐ Did I explain at least one idea clearly?
☐ Did my example support my point?	☐ Did I sound natural rather than memorised?