# PTE Speaking Practice test 6

## **Personal Introduction**

Read the prompt below. In 25 seconds, you must reply in your own words, as naturally and clearly as possible. You have 30 seconds to record your response. Your response will be sent together with your score report to the institutions selected by you.

Please introduce yourself. For example, you could talk about one or more of the following:

- 1. Your interests
- 2. Your plans for future study
- 3. Why you want to study abroad
- 4. Why you need to learn English
- 5. Why you chose this test

#### **Question 1: Read Aloud**

Look at the text below. In 40 seconds, you must read this aloud as naturally and clearly as possible. You have 40 seconds to read this text aloud:

#### 1. Cliches:

Clichés are worn out, overused and over-familiar phrases, and the etymology of the word helps to explain this. Originally, a cliché or stereotype was a printer's term for a pre-set block of type with phrases used frequently in newspapers. The word has since adopted a negative meaning, and careful writers avoid them where they can.

## 2. Patient care:

The medical center issued a statement saying that patient care was not compromised while their data was unavailable. Still, it's unsettling to hear that a hospital is shut out of parts of its own computer systems and unable to communicate electronically.

## 3. .Cooking:

Cooking certainly tenderizes food, making it easier to chew and digest. But the evidence for human cooking fires goes back only about 500.000 years if that. Homo erectus had already evolved weaker jaws, and smaller teeth, more than a million years before that. So Lieberman and his colleague Katherine Zink began their investigation by recreating a Paleolithic dinner: yams, carrots, beets, And goat meat.

## 4. Battery:

Then the researchers thought, what if they could tap into this energy to develop a sort of sweat-powered biobattery. Their proof-of-concept setup topped out at only about 4 micro Watts of juice, not even enough to run a watch. But with better electronics, exercising in the future could make dirty clothes and some clean energy.

## 5. Dolphins:

Dolphins have adopted group living as a response to living in close contact with other animals in the ocean, some of which kill dolphins for food. Living in social groups makes it easier to hunt for food, and in a dangerous environment, it makes sense in terms of safety to move about in large numbers.

#### 6. Stem cells:

Stem cells are the body's master cells, the rare material from which we are built. Unlike normal body cells, they can reproduce an indefinite number of times and, when manipulated in the right way, can turn themselves into any sort of cell in the body. The most versatile stem cells are those found in the embryo at just a few days old. This ball of a few dozen stem cells eventually goes on to form everything that makes up a human.

## 7. European Economic Community:

When the European Economic Community was established in 1957, the aim was broad terms, to move towards closer political and economic cooperation. Today, the much bigger European Union has far-reaching importance on many aspects of our lives. From the conditions we work under to the safety standards we must adhere to and the environment in which we live.

## **Question 2: Repeat Sentence**

You will hear some sentences in this <u>audio</u>. Please repeat each sentence exactly as you hear it. You will hear each sentence once only.

#### Question 3 : Describe Image

Look at the diagram below. In 25 seconds, please speak what it is showing. You will have 40 seconds to give your response.



Image 2

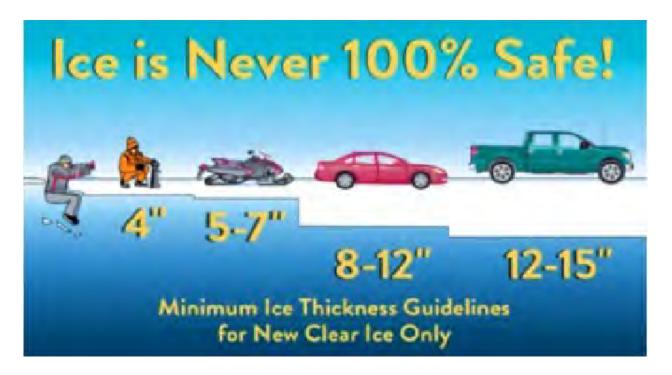


Image 3



## **Question 4: Retell Lecture**

You will hear a lecture. After listening to it, in 10 seconds, please tell what you have just heard from the lecture in your own words. You will have 40 seconds to give your response.

Play the <u>audio</u> to listen to the related recording.

Item 1:



## **Question 5: Answer Short Questions**

Play the <u>audio</u> to listen to the related recording. You will hear some questions. Please give a simple and short answer to each one. Often just one or a few words are enough.

# Sample Answers:

## **Personal Introduction**

My name is ......, I was born and raised in ....., and I am ....years old. I have completed my graduation in ................ Some of my favorite activities are planning events, volunteering, and photography. I want to relocate to Canada to obtain a master's degree in sociology in order to expand my career prospects. I'm taking the PTE Academic exam as part of a requirement to assess my English proficiency in order to attain my objectives.

## **Question 2 : Repeat Sentence**

- 1. The chief executive reads several new books every month.
- 2. Of all the heating and cooling options, central heating is the best.
- 3. The maximum production of chocolate is in the U.S.
- 4. The next semester has many demanding courses.
- 5. Quality of life is an important measure on which the cities are ranked.
- You must read the supplementary materials as the professor has a habit of asking questions from it.
- 7. The smart city is an idea that has captured the imagination of governments all over the world.
- 8. Staying near the place of work saves precious hours every day.
- 9. It is important to validate all assumptions before arriving at a conclusion.
- 10. The Australian economy depends heavily on revenue from tourism and education.

## **Question 3 : Describe Image**

## Image 1

The provided image demonstrates a few youngsters enjoying a 3D movie in a theatre. We can comprehend they are watching 3D films since they are all wearing 3D glasses. Moreover, they all appear to be enthralled by the scene, especially the boy and girl in front. The theatre's seats are all dark crimson. The rear seats are unoccupied, and the projector's light can be seen in the back. Three people can be observed eating popcorn and drinking coke.

## Image 2

The diagram illustrates that ice is never completely safe for people or vehicles. This image also puts forward the guidelines about minimum ice thickness requirements for travelling. According to the image, heavier trucks require around 12 to 15 inches of ice thickness. An ice thickness of 8 to 12 inches is necessary for four-wheeler vehicles. Two-wheeler autos require a thickness of

5 to 7 inches of ice. Individuals must walk on at least 4 inches of ice to avoid drowning in the chilly water beneath the fresh layer of ice.

## Image 3

From the image provided on the screen, we can comprehend that many parts of the world have four seasons in a year, like in the diagrams. Spring, summer, fall, and winter are the four seasons. Each season has its own set of weather conditions. Trees modify their behaviour to fit the weather because they are sensitive to local climatic factors such as rain and temperature. Spring is depicted in the first image when the weather becomes favourable, and trees begin to grow, reproduce and generate new leaves. The second image illustrates summer, which is hot when most plants bloom. During the summer, trees continue to grow. The third image depicts autumn. The temperature grows milder during this season, and many varieties of trees begin to shed their leaves. The last image portrays winter, with trees stripped of their leaves during this season.

#### **Question 4: Retell Lecture**

#### **Transcription:**

We appear to take it as a rule, or as a law of nature, that each species is adapted to the climate of its own home. For example, species from the Arctic, or even a temperate region, could not survive in a tropical climate, nor could a tropical species last long if it found itself at the South Pole. But it is true to say there's too much emphasis placed on the degree of adaptation of species to the climates where they live. We assume that this adaptation - if all species are descended from a single form - must have taken place over millions of years, yet a large number of plants and animals brought from different countries remain perfectly healthy in their new home. Also, there are several examples of animal species that have extended their range, within historical times, from warmer to cooler latitudes and the other way round. Rats and mice provide good examples: they have been transported by man to many parts of the world and now have a far wider range than any other rodent, and they can be found living in the cold climate of the Faroe Islands to the north through the tropical zones to the Falklands in the south. It is possible to see adaptation to any climate as a quality that is part of an inborn flexibility of the physical and mental constitution of most animals. Therefore, the ability to survive in the most different climates by both man and his domestic animals, and the fact that elephants once existed in an ice age while living species live in tropical areas, should not be seen as deviations from the rule, but as examples of this flexibility being brought into action under particular circumstances.

## **Summary of Lecture**

We assume it's a law of nature that each species is adapted to the climate of its own home. There's too much emphasis placed on the degree of adaptation of species to the climates where they live. If all species are decreased from a single form, it must have taken millions to years to adapt to their new homes. Several examples of animal species have extended their range from

warmer to cooler latitudes. It is possible to see adaptation to any climate as part of the inborn flexibility of most animals' physical and mental constitution. Both man and his domestic animals should be seen as examples of this flexibility being brought into action under particular circumstances.

## **Question 5: Answer Short Questions**

- 1. How many years does it take to finish undergraduate study?

  Ans: Three or four years
- 2. How would most people travel to work each day in big cities like Hong Kong, Tokyo and New York?

Ans: By public transportation

- 3. What would you call people who study ancient bones, rocks and plants? Ans: Archaeologist
- 4. How would you describe an economy based largely on farming? Ans: Agriculture
- 5. In mathematics and arithmetic, there are addition, multiplication, division. What's the other one?

Ans: Subtraction