

新北市國際創意英文口語大賽

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New Taipei City International Creative English Speech Contest

Part 1 : Surprise Me (2 mins)

The Surprise Me Talent Show could be any form, such as storytelling, speech, singing, dubbing, drama, etc. Each participant needs to demonstrate English skills in the show.

The costumes and any props/materials involved in the performance should be prepared by the participants.

The judge will ask you some questions before/after the talent show. Please answer the questions in full sentences in English.

***Here are some examples below which are for reference only.**

Participant's talent show, costumes and personal information.

-What's your name?

-My name is Catherine.

-How old are you?

-I am 13 years old.

Part I Surprise Me - (Q&A)

1. -What do you think of your English teacher? - I think she is really kind and helpful because...

2. -What do you usually do when you surf the internet? - I usually search for some information I need for the project in school.

3. -What did you do last week? - I went to a museum with my family to learn about the development of technology.

4. -Why did you choose this topic for your speech? -I chose this topic because...

5. -Which country would you like to study abroad in? -I want to study in...because...

6. -Do you have any online courses? What do you think of online courses? - I have some online courses, and I think...

7. -Do you think that English will be useful for you in the future?

-I think English will be extremely useful for my study and work in the future. It can help me learn about different cultures, make a lot of friends and earn more money in the future.

8. -How do you spend your holiday?

-I usually spend my holidays reading, listening to music and playing tennis, etc.

9. -What do you think is the best way to travel to Beijing?

- I think it is good for me to take a plane to travel to Beijing because...

10. -Do you like music ?

-Yes, I do. I love classical music and pop music. I always feel peaceful when I listen to music.

11. -What kind of TV program do you enjoy watching? - I enjoy watching Talk Show with my friends because...

12. -What is your favorite subject? Why? -My favorite subject is...because...

13. -Do you like reading? What is your favorite book? And why? - I like reading. My favorite book is...because...

14. -How often do you go shopping with your friends? -I go shopping with my friends once a week.

15. -What do you enjoy doing with your family? - I enjoy having a picnic with my family on weekends.

Part 2 Convince Me (Spelling and Impromptu Speech)

The judge will read or show the definition or clue of 2 words based on different topics. The first letter is already there. There is one space for each letter in the word. The participant needs to spell the word within 15s, then use it to make a 60s speech after 15s preparation. The judge will ring the bell when the participant can't spell the word within 15 seconds or spells the word incorrectly. The judge will give the participant the correct word, then the participant will have 15s to prepare for a 60s speech.

Sample answer A

Judge: You close these at night so people can't see through your windows. It starts with C.

Participant: It's C-U-R-T-A-I-N-S, curtains. (1 point)

The curtains in my bedroom are really old and dirty as they were bought when I was 6 years old. Thus, my dad bought new curtains for my bedroom last week as my birthday present, which is colorful. They look soft and comfortable. My brother helped me hang them over the window. They go well with the overall style of my bedroom. I like drawing back the curtains and enjoying reading and eating some snacks beside the window when it's rainy outside. How relaxing it is! (4 points)

Sample answer B

Judge: You close these at night so people can't see through your windows. It starts with C.

Participant: It's C-U-R-T-A-I-N-S, curtains. (1 point)

The curtains in my bedroom is really old and dirty as they bought when I was 6 years old. So that my dad buy new curtains for my bedroom last week as my birthday present which I like very much. They look soft and comfortable. My brother helped me hang them over the window. They go well with the overall style of my bedroom. I like withdrawing them, and enjoy reading and eating some snacks beside the window when it's rainy. So does my brother. How relaxing it is! (3 points)

Sample answer C

Judge: You close these at night so people can't see through your windows. It starts with C.

Participant: It's C-U-R-T-A-I-N-S, curtains. (1 point)

The curtains in my bedroom is really old and dirty as they bought when I was 6 years old. So that my dad buy new curtains for my bedroom last week as my birthday present which I like very much.

They look soft and comfortable. My brother help me hang them over the window. They go well with the overall style of my bedroom. (2 points)

Sample answer D

Judge: You close these at night so people can't see through your windows. It starts with C.

Participant: It's C-U-R-T-A-I-N-S, curtains. (1 point)

My dad buy curtain. I like withdrawing them and enjoying reading beside the window when it's rainy. (1 point)

Sample answer E

Judge: You close these at night so people can't see through your windows. It starts with C. Participant: It's C-U-R-T-A-I-N-S, curtains. (1 point)

Sample answer F

Judge: You close these at night so people can't see through your windows. It starts with C.

Participant: It's C-.....(0 points)

Word Bank for Middle School Group

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| This word means something bad happens that is not expected or intended, like a car crash. | A _ _ _ _ _ | Accident |
| This is the place where you catch a plane. | A _ _ _ _ _ | Airport |
| If you have an accident, you may travel in this. | A _ _ _ _ _ | Ambulance |
| This person draws, paints, or performs music. | A _ _ _ _ _ | Artist |
| This person is good at sports such as running, jumping or throwing things. | A _ _ _ _ _ | Athlete |
| It's a science subject in which you learn about plants, animals, and people's bodies. | B _ _ _ _ _ | Biology |
| This is the day I was born. | B _ _ _ _ _ | Birthday |
| It's a piece of furniture with shelves for keeping books on. | B _ _ _ _ _ | Bookcase |
| This is a restaurant in a factory, school, etc. where you usually collect your food and take to your table. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Cafeteria |
| It's a bit like a book, with all months of the year on it. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Calendar |
| It is a large animal with a long neck, that lives in the desert and has one or two humps on its back. | C _ _ _ _ | Camel |
| It's a device for taking photographs or making films or television programs. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Camera |
| It's a place to go camping. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Campsite |
| It's the period of time that you spend in your life working or doing a particular thing. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Career |
| This is the middle point or part of something. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Center |
| In this science subject, you could make a bomb, play with fire or do experiments! | C _ _ _ _ _ | Chemistry |

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| A green or red, very spicy vegetable. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Chilli/Chili |
| It's a theatre where people pay to watch films. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Cinema |
| You go in here to have some of your lessons in school. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Classrooms |
| You can keep your clothes in this. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Closet |
| This is a person whose job is to teach people to improve at a sport, skill, or school subject | C _ _ _ _ _ | Coach |
| It's a person who you work with. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Colleague |
| It means to say that you are annoyed, unhappy or not satisfied with somebody/something. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Complain |
| It's a performance of music by one or more musicians or singers. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Concert |
| It's a person who cooks food or whose job is cooking. | C _ _ _ | Cook |
| It's the set of clothes you wear while you are performing. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Costume |
| This is a child of a person's aunt or uncle, or, more generally, a distant relation. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ | Cousin |
| If someone is stupid or not reasonable, he/she is this. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Crazy |
| It's a large group of people who have come together. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Crowd |
| People keep plates and bowls in here. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Cupboard |
| This is a person who buys goods or a service from a shop. | C _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Customer |
| It is a verb and means to ride a bicycle. | C _ _ _ _ _ | Cycle |

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| It's an adjective; it means that it's able or likely to cause harm or death, or unpleasant problems. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Dangerous |
| It means the lack of light in a place, especially because it's night. | D _ _ _ _ | Dark |
| If the plane is late, it is this. | D _ _ _ _ _ | Delay |
| If something has a a very pleasant taste or smell, it is this. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Delicious |
| This is a person whose job is to take care of your teeth. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Dentist |
| It's a very hot place where it doesn't rain much. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ | Desert |
| You need this book to find out the meaning of a word. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Dictionary |
| It's the main meal of the day, eaten in the evening. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ | Dinner |
| It means that it's far away in space or time. | D _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Distant |
| It means there is nothing in a container. | E _ _ _ _ _ | Empty |
| It's someone whose job is to design, build or repair machines, engines, roads, bridges, etc. | E _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Engineer |
| It's a feeling of very happy and enthusiastic. | E _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Excited |

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| This is the door through which you might leave a public building. | E _ _ _ | Exit |
| It's a person or thing that is best liked or most enjoyed. | F _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Favorite/ Favourite |
| It's a special day or period, usually in memory of a religious event, with its own social activities or food. | F _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Festival |
| In this type of weather, it is difficult to see where you are going. | F _ _ _ _ _ | Foggy |

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| This is a person who comes from another country. | F _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Foreigner |
| This is a large area of trees. | F _ _ _ _ _ _ | Forest |
| This is a person that you know and like, but not a member of your family. | F _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Friends |
| It's a room or building for showing works of art, especially to the public. | G _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Gallery |
| It's a game played outside on grass in which each player tries to hit a small ball into holes. | G _ _ _ _ | Golf |
| It gives you information about places you visit. | G _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Guidebook |
| It's for drying hair after you wash it. | H _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Hairdryer |
| It's a subject that you learn all the events happened in the past. | H _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | History |
| This is a place where doctors work. | H _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Hospital |
| You go to this place to sleep when you are not at home. | H _ _ _ _ _ _ | Hotel |
| It's a verb; it means to get better, or to make something better. | I _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Improve |

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| This word means that you do not want or need anyone else to help you. | I _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Independent |
| It's an object, such as a piano, guitar, or drum, that is played to produce musical sounds | I _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Instrument |
| It means to ask or request someone to an event politely. | I _ _ _ _ _ _ | Invite |
| It is a piece of land surrounded by water. | I _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Island |
| It's an act of traveling from one place to another, especially when they are far apart. | J _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Journey |

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| If someone is not willing to work or use any effort, he or she is this. | L _ _ _ _ | Lazy |
| It's a sports competition or event in which two people or teams compete against each other. | M _ _ _ _ _ | Match |
| When you don't feel well, you may have to take this. | M _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Medicine |
| It's a list of the food that you can order with it in a restaurant. | M _ _ _ | Menu |
| It is very high and there is often snow on the top of it. | M _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Mountain |
| It is a person who plays a musical instrument as their job or hobby. | M _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Musician |
| It is a document consisting of news reports, and photographs published every day or every week. | N _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Newspaper |
| It's a book of plain paper or paper with lines, for writing on. | N _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Notebook |
| It's your job or profession, like a teacher, doctor, etc. | O _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Occupation |
| This word means in a position facing someone or something but on the other side. | O _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Opposite |

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| It's a part of a stove that is box-shaped with a door, in which food is baked or heated. | O _ _ _ | Oven |
| This is one of a pair who are playing a sport or a game together, especially when the pair are playing as a team. | P _ _ _ _ _ _ | Partner |
| It's a social event at which people meet to talk, eat, drink, dance, etc. often in order to celebrate a special occasion. | P _ _ _ _ _ | Party |
| It's a person who is traveling in a car, bus, train, plane or ship and who is not driving it or working on it. | P _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Passenger |
| It's a card, often with a photograph or picture on one side, that can be sent without an envelope. | P _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Postcard |
| It means to make something or somebody ready to be used or to do something in the future. | P _ _ _ _ _ _ _ | Prepare |

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| It's something that you are given, without asking for it, on a special occasion, especially to show friendship, or to say thank you. | P _ _ _ _ _ | Present |
| When you are confused, you may ask a ... | Q _ _ _ _ _ | Question |
| When you arrive at a hotel or a campsite, you go here first. | R _ _ _ _ _ | Reception |
| It's a member of your family, like your aunt or uncle. | R _ _ _ _ _ | Relative |
| This is when you say something again. | R _ _ _ _ _ | Repeat |
| This person writes about events in a newspaper. | R _ _ _ _ _ | Reporter |
| It's a careful study of a subject, especially in order to discover new facts or information about it. | R _ _ _ _ _ | Research |
| It's waste material or things that are no longer wanted or needed. | R _ _ _ _ _ | Rubbish |
| It's a particular subject that is studied using scientific methods. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Science |

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| It's a liquid used for washing hair, or for washing particular objects or materials. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Shampoo |
| You speak like this when you speak loudly. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Shout |
| This is a person who gives a speech at a public event. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Speaker |
| It's all types of physical activity that people do to keep healthy or for enjoyment. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Sport |
| It's s a large sports field with rows of seats all around it. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Stadium |
| A line or edge continues in the same direction and does not bend or curve. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Straight |
| It's an adjective; a person who can pick up heavy things, is this. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Strong |

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| It's someone who is learning at a school. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Student |
| It is an unexpected event, fact, or piece of news. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Surprise |
| This is a kind of clothes which is often made of wool, and keeps you warm in cold weather. | S _ _ _ _ _ | Sweater |
| It's a person whose job is teaching, especially in a school. | T _ _ _ _ | Teacher |
| It is a young person between 13 and 19 years old. | T _ _ _ _ _ | Teenager |
| When you want to drink some water, you feel like this. | T _ _ _ _ _ | Thirsty |
| You must buy this before you travel. | T _ _ _ _ _ | Ticket |
| It is a thick substance which you put on your toothbrush and use to clean your teeth. | T _ _ _ _ _ _ | Toothpaste |

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| When you prepare for a sport or competition, you may need to do this. | T _ _ _ _ _ | Training |
| This is very useful for the rain. | U _ _ _ _ _ | Umbrella |
| It's someone who never eats meat or fish. | V _ _ _ _ _ _ | Vegetarian |
| It's a person who come to your house or a person who goes to somewhere in order to look at it. | V _ _ _ _ _ | Visitor |
| You look through this to see outside. | W _ _ _ _ _ | Window |
| It's the season between autumn and spring, lasting from November to March north of the equator. | W _ _ _ _ _ | Winter |