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Topic: Colour

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Read the rules and regulations carefully before taking the test:

1. Set aside 11-14 minutes in a quiet room with no interruptions.
2. Use a recording device or ask a partner/tutor to act as the examiner.
3. Follow the test structure exactly:
 - **Part 1:** Introduction & general questions (4–5 minutes)
 - **Part 2:** Long turn – 1-minute prep, 1–2 minutes speaking
 - **Part 3:** Discussion – deeper questions related to Part 2 (4–5 minutes)
4. Time yourself strictly. Do not exceed the speaking limits.
5. Review your recording after the test to assess yourself.
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Speaking Topic 1 - Colour

Part 1 - Interview Section

1. What's your favourite colour?

My choice depends on the circumstances. For instance, while selecting clothing, I like to choose red since it compliments my skin tone. White is my preferred home design color just because it produces a calming ambiance.

2. Are there any colours you dislike (Why?)

I dislike yellow shades. I find all yellow hues to be somewhat monotonous. If you are not exceptionally attractive, it is incredibly difficult to wear yellow clothing.

3. Are colours important to you?

I believe that color is wider than context. Colors not only add vibrancy to our lives, but they can also show how we feel. For instance, I often wear bright attire when I'm in a good mood but yellow when I'm feeling gloomy.

4. Were colours important to you when you were a child?

They were way more valuable to me than they are today. When I was little, I used to categorize objects based on their color, such as pink items for girls and blue items for boys. As I got older, I understood that things are much more complex and that colors are not as significant as I formerly believed.

5. Are there any colors that have a special meaning in your country?

In my society, almost every color has a specific meaning. Take red, for instance. Red represents joyous events such as triumphs and weddings. Black, on the other hand, is often worn to funerals because it is thought to be the color of death.



6. What color would you choose to paint the walls of your room?

I am a strong believer of simplicity, so when it comes to picking wall paint, white is my go-to color. Scientists have shown that white makes a room seem larger. In addition, seeing this colour will also help us relax.

7. Do you think different types of people like different colors?

I do not believe that a person's preferred color necessarily reflects their personality. In reality, it is a matter of personal taste, and thus we should not draw generalisations based on people's colour preferences alone.

PART 2 - Cue Card

Describe your favorite color.

You should say:

What color it is ?

What is the significance of this color is ?

How did you started liking it ?

and explain why this is your favorite color.

What color it is ?

If you wanted me to choose just one colour, I could tell you which one I would go with, but I'm not really sure which one is my favourite. To speak the truth, blue is my favourite colour. That doesn't quite seem to cover everything, does it?

What the significance of this color ?

I'm not really sure of the importance of the colour, but I think it is a very appealing shade. In nature, I like a crystal-clear blue sea or a composed blue sky. The sky is a brilliant blue with white clouds on a summer day. As a little kid, I said that blue was my very favorite color. I believe I did it in part to be unique; most females were supposed to favour pink, but I wanted to set myself apart by declaring my fondness for blue, which is usually a boy's colour.



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How you started liking it ?

From my first elementary school, a large crocodile of youngsters and I would go for walks. We each hung onto a colorful ribbon linked to a long length of rope while being escorted by two instructors, one leading at the head of the rope and the other walking at the rear of the line to ensure our safety. My classmates would fight over the pink ribbon, but "my" blue ribbon was always free. This helped me develop a fondness for the colour from an early age.

And explain why this is your favorite color.

As an adult, I find that the color blue, especially dark blues, apt to my complexion; I look physically sick in lighter hues. I'm not sure if it adequately explains why I still enjoy it so much. But I think the main reason is that blue makes me think of big spaces, like a sea that goes all the way to the horizon or the sky that goes on forever. What could be a more awe-inspiring colour than one that tells us that we are such insignificant creatures in a huge universe?

Part 3 - Follow-up Questions**1. What colours do Indian people like?**

In my opinion, the two colors that are the most popular in India are red and yellow. Yellow is the colour most often associated with joy, whereas red is linked to love, good fortune, and prosperous times. Due to the fact that they are subdued colours that are very easy on the eyes, blue, ivory, white, and cream are also becoming more fashionable.

2. Why don't people wear clothes in catchy colours in the workplace?

People are more likely to notice and pay attention to colors that are glossy or excessively bright, such as neon colors. As a consequence of this, people may get easily distracted at work and thus less productive, which would be bad for the company. Also, these colors don't seem appropriate for formal wear, and most professional dress codes say you shouldn't wear them.

3. Is men or women better at choosing a colour scheme for their house?

However, despite the fact that women have the potential to be fashion experts, I do not believe that they are any better than men at selecting a color scheme for their home. People need to get the expert counsel of a reliable architect or designer since such a plan isn't simply for aesthetic reasons and they need to know how to implement it correctly. It has the potential to have a big influence on people's emotions as well as the overall quality of their lives.

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4. Are colours important in business?

Absolutely. There is a certain significance that goes along with each hue. Some have the power to make people feel better or build trust, while others can make people feel bad things like cynicism or distrust. Because of this, companies need to give careful consideration to the colors that they choose for their logos, offices, and, of course, their goods. It is possible that customers will not choose their products if the packaging of such goods is not eye-catching enough or uses colours that are not acceptable.

5. What colours are suitable for food products?

In overall, the color yellow and its derivatives like cream and orange are seen to be the most appropriate for edible items. In my opinion, these hues represent the vitality and enjoyment that people look for when they eat.

6. Should course books have coloured pictures? Why?


Students may find that textbooks with just black and white illustrations are too drab and uninteresting to keep their attention. If the graphics in their books are vibrant and interesting, it is likely that they will pay closer attention to what they are learning and be more interested in the process.




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