

Speaking Exams

How important is...?

= The level of importance

e.g. Its not very important or Its very important (because)

Should traffic be controlled more strictly?

Presupposition: it is already controlled

and so talk about how it is already controlled with an example

e.g. the congestion charge in London

If you made a mistake in an exam then stop and correct yourself. If you, correct yourself after a mistake, then you will get full marks. Because native speakers also made mistakes in that way and usually they correct themselves.

Answer every question with 2 sentences. This is easy to do if you repeat the question in the answer e.g. Can you remember the best teacher you ever had? For example my Film Studies teacher was funny, honest and efficient. Every student passes the exam.

Answer: Yes I can remember the best teacher I ever had...

Now, with me, you can see how simple the 1st sentence is. Reword the question and use the same type of word in your answer.

If the question was:

How long *have* you lived **here**?

The answer is:

I *have* lived **here** for...

To add your second sentence you can use: Because... then give a reason

Because and as have the same meaning.

I love chocolate as its full of energy.

Examiners are listening for you to use different words thus showing them your range of vocabulary. Use because and as equally. If you have said because 3 times then use as for the next few questions. My History teacher was great because he was serious, funny, intelligent and he gets results.

Because is also a trigger for you. When you say because you automatically think of one reason.

Now, advancing students can also use due to.

e.g. I buy people drinks due to several times when we have become strong friends because of this polite gesture.

due to/because of
these are similar

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