

➤ Questions

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Please Note:

Our model answers teach you useful language and give you ideas. However, it is not a good idea to try and memorise them and repeat them in the IELTS exam.



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a huge _____ lover = I really love

particularly = especially

an armchair fan = you sit and home and watch rather than do it/play it

to take part in something = to do

to give up = to stop

1. Do you like sport?

Oh yeah, I'm a huge sport lover, particularly football, but I'm more of an armchair fan rather than taking part in it myself. I used to play football when I was younger but I've given up now.



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Definitely = yes!

I'm up to my ears in work/snowed under with work = I'm very busy

right now = now

to catch = to watch

a major tournament = a big competition e.g. the World Cup

to be glued to = to be unable to stop watching

2. Do you like watching sport programmes on TV?

Definitely! I'm up to my ears in work/snowed under with work right now, but I try to catch the big games on TV. When there is a major tournament like the World Cup, I'm glued to the screen for the whole tournament.



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to tend to + infinitive = usually

to be obsessed with = to be always thinking about

to be into = to be interested in

to catch up with someone = to find out what someone has been doing

odd = occasional; irregular

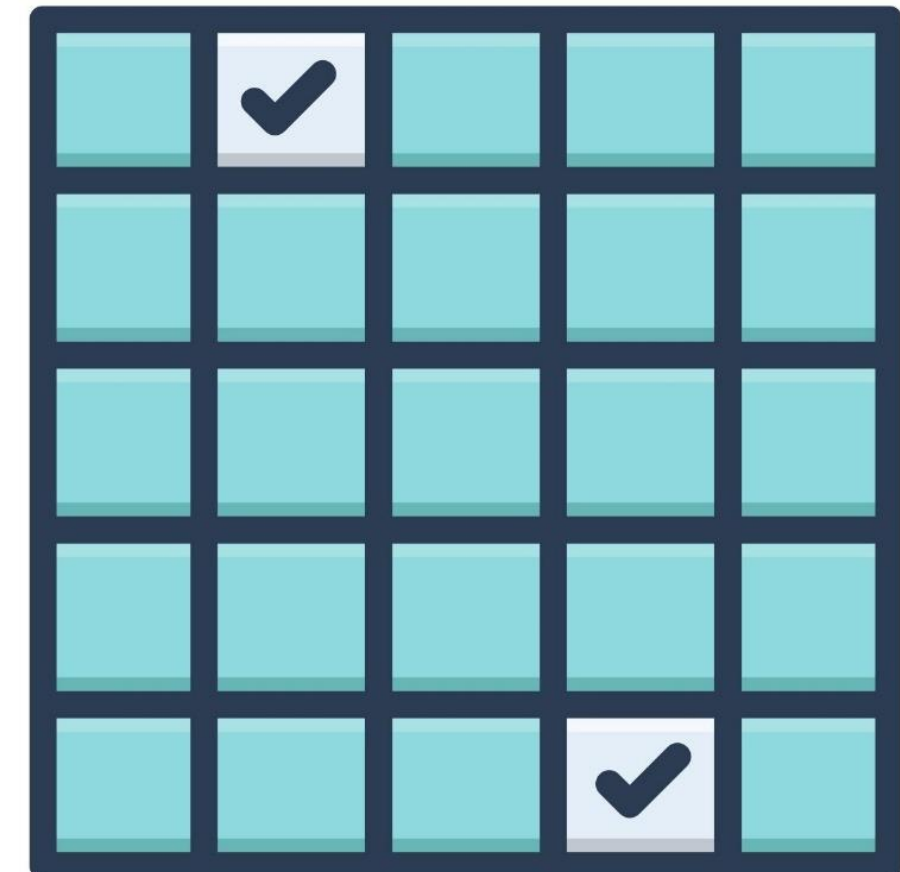
3. Who do you like to watch live sport games with?

I tend to watch with my dad because **he's obsessed with** Arsenal and never misses a game. **I'm not into** them as much as him but **I enjoy catching up with him** and watching the **odd** game with him when I can.



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I'm guessing = I think

the atmosphere = the tone/mood of a place – what it feels like

pre-game = before the game

build-up = a period of excitement and preparation before an important event

to warm up = to prepare by exercising or practising gently

a goosebumps moment = an exciting moment

4. What is the difference between watching sport events at home and in a stadium?

I've never actually been to a stadium but **I'm guessing** that **the atmosphere** is the major difference. In the stadium, the **pre-game build-up** must be exciting and you get to see the players **warm up** on the pitch. And when a goal is scored, that must be **a goosebumps moment**.



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I'm not entirely sure = I don't know

five-a-side football = 5 v 5

pretty = fairly; quite; very

in the main = mainly; mostly; on the whole

to work out = to do exercise in a gym

5. What sport do people in your country like to play?

Oh, **I'm not entirely sure**, I guess **five-a-side football** is **pretty** popular, but I suppose that, **in the main**, most people tend to just go to the gym and **work out** rather than doing team sports.



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cross country = running across fields or in the countryside

I can't run to save my life = we use 'to save my life' after a negative verb to emphasise an inability to do something

6. Did you do sports when you were younger?

Oh yeah, much more than I do now. I used to be in the school football team, and I was pretty good at **cross country**. It's funny because I hate running now. **I can't run to save my life.**



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I'm not keen on = I don't like

mandatory = compulsory; you must do it

humiliating = very embarrassing

7. Do you think students need more exercise?

I'm not keen on the idea of **mandatory** sports in school. I get that it is essential for people to do sports, but if you are not good at sports, it can be **humiliating**.



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