

Student Interview Questions

- 1) How long have you been studying English?
- 2) In that time how has your English learning changed?
- 3) Do you think that is a typical experience of students like yourself?
- 4) Why do you think you should take Test of English as a Foreign Language over other English language tests?
- 5) Do you think TOEFL is fair? Why or why not?
- 6) When you get your score, do you understand why you received the score you got?
- 7) How many times have you taken the TOEFL?
- 8) Has your score gone up, down or stayed the same?
- 9) Why do you think this is and what do you think would be the best way to improve?
- 10) Has your study method changed since you started to study for the TOEFL?
- 11) Do you think your English ability has improved as a result of studying for the test?
- 12) Which part of the test is most difficult? Why?
- 13) How do you study vocabulary?
- 14) Have you heard of other methods student use to study vocabulary? If yes, what are those methods?
- 15) How do you study for writing and speaking?
- 16) Have you heard of other methods student use to study writing and speaking? If yes, what are those methods?
- 17) How do you get your writing and speaking practice judged?
- 18) What do you think your fellow students think are the most effective methods for improving TOEFL scores?
- 19) What kind of methods have for note taking do you use?
- 20) Do you know of any methods other students use?
- 21) Do you know what other students do to study the format of the test?

- 22) If you aren't sure of an answer to a question are there any ways to improve the chance of getting the correct answer?
- 23) If you encounter an unfamiliar word while you are studying, what is the best way to learn that word?
- 24) When you are doing reading or listening practice, do you read or listen for key terms? Why or why not?
- 25) Do you think it is a good idea to do practice tests? Why or why not?
- 26) Do you go take other English classes besides the ones at your high school? If yes, how do they compare?
- 27) How would you compare preparing for western universities with studying for Chinese universities?
- 28) Do you know of students going to training centers for the Chinese tests? Why do you think they go or don't go??
- 29) Do you feel like you will be ready to attend an English language university when the time comes? Why or why not?
- 30) If you could improve the TOEFL or any aspect of your English language education, how would you do this?