**TOEFL Listening and Speaking**

**Independent Speaking Practice**

Prep time: 15 seconds

Speak time: 45 seconds

1. Some people spend their entire lives in one place. Others move a number of times throughout their lives, looking for a better job, house, community, or even climate. Which do you prefer: staying in one place or moving in search of another place? Use reasons and specific examples to support your opinion.
2. You have received a gift of money. The money is enough to buy either a piece of jewelry you like or tickets to a concert you want to attend. Which do you buy? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.
3. Some people prefer to work for a large company. Others prefer to work for a small company. Which would you prefer? Use specific reasons and details to support your choice.
4. Some people like to do only what they already do well. Other people prefer to try new things and take risks. Which do you prefer? Use specific reasons and examples to support your choice.

Key phrases to try to use:

I believe…

I think…

In my opinion…

I prefer to …

I enjoy (living)…

I’d rather open my own business than work for a big company because….

I agree with the idea that …

In general, I think that…

On the whole, I enjoy (traveling) by … than by ….

Many people like the idea of (having ….). However, I think that ….

Conclusion:

*For these reasons*, I think that….