

AFARINESH IELTS Radio – Podcast 43

IELTS Speaking Part 3 Questions

- **Is there any situation people disobey the law?**

Of course there is, I mean there are countless cases where people **violate** the law and tell you what. **They wouldn't even blink** when they understand what's happened. Now I don't know if it's the culture or it actually has something to do with their **upbringing** but some of these folks even **relish** having done **heinous** crimes and **gotten away with** it. I believe, if the law is to be **enforced**, we first gotta make sure that instead of conventional punishments, we got a different **leverage** that'll **uphold** the law. If people obey the law for its own **merit**, we can **rest assured** that no one's ever gonna **mess with** it under any circumstances.

- **Do people like being a policeman in your country?**

I **figure**, most little kids got this dream. You know, they wanna be tough so they would easily be **drawn to** the idea of being a cop in the future. Although this kind of dream is usually **cherished** in the childhood, kids normally **grow out of it** and start thinking a bit more logically that not everyone has to be a cop and that **when you pray for rain you gotta deal with the mud too**, like being a cop means your life's **on the line** and you gotta be prepared for literally anything **horrendous** happening you. Yeah, anyways, I guess it's a good thing that this **chimera fizzles out** as time goes by and kids **come of age**.

- **What qualities should a police officer have?**

Well, a police officer gotta **bear in mind** that he's **taken an oath** to defend innocent people. Next is, you can't be **slacking** once you put on the uniform. I mean, there is so much **at stake** that if a police officer doesn't do their **due diligence**, it might equal letting someone die or even worse. Something else I gotta say is about the **crooked** cops who're either **on the take** or they're **in bed with** the criminals somehow. If **venality** takes over in this line of work, then I think you could imagine what sort of life people would have. A case in point would be some of those Latino countries like Mexico or El Salvador.

Language focus

Violate

Disobey or do something against an official agreement, law, principle etc: 34 protesters were arrested for violating criminal law.

They wouldn't even blink

Pretend to be ignorant of; disregard or condone: a mayor who refused to blink at corruption.

Upbringing

The way that your parents care for you and teach you to behave when you are growing up → bring up: Mike had had a strict upbringing.

Relish

To enjoy an experience or the thought of something that is going to happen

Heinous

Extremely bad: The food in the cafeteria is pretty heinous.

Get away with sth

Escape blame, punishment, or undesirable consequences for (an act that is wrong or mistaken).
"If he thinks he can get away with cheating me, he's very much mistaken"

Enforced

Made to happen, especially by things you cannot control enforced absence/separation etc

Leverage

Influence that you can use to make people do what you want: diplomatic leverage by the US

Uphold

If a court upholds a decision made by another court, it states that the decision was correct
OPP **overrule**: The conviction was upheld by the Court of Appeal.

Merit

An advantage or good feature of something

Rest assured

Be certain that something will happen

Mess with sth

Meddle or interfere with.

"Stop messing with things you don't understand"

I figure

I expect or think that something will happen

Be drawn to sth

Be attracted to sth

Cherish

If you cherish something, it is very important to you: He cherished his privacy.

Grow out of sth

Become too mature to retain (a childish habit).

"Most children grow out of tantrums by the time they're three"

When you pray for rain you gotta deal with mud too

When you wish for something you also have to deal with the aftermath, effects, and consequences

Be on the line

Be at risk

Horrendous

Frightening and terrible SYN horrific: a horrendous experience

Chimera

Something, especially an idea or hope that is not really possible and can never exist: trying to present that chimera, 'a balanced view'

Fizzle out

Gradually stop happening, especially because people become less interested: Their romance just fizzled out.

Come of age

Reach adult status (in UK law at 18, formerly 21).

Bear in mind

Remember a fact or piece of information that is important or could be useful in the future SYN keep (something) in mind

Take an oath

A solemn appeal to a deity, or to some revered person or thing, to witness one's determination to speak the truth, to keep a promise, etc.

Slack

Not taking enough care or making enough effort to do things correctly – used to show disapproval SYN careless: Slack defending by Real Madrid allowed Manchester United to score.

At stake

If something that you value very much is at stake, you will lose it if a plan or action is not successful: They have to win the contract – thousands of jobs are at stake.

Due diligence

Reasonable steps taken by a person to avoid committing a tort or offence.

Crooked

Dishonest: a crooked cop

On the take

Someone who is on the take is receiving illegal income such as bribes. [informal] I can also name cops who are on the take.

Be in bed with someone

Work with a person or organization, or to be involved with them, in a way that causes other people not to trust you: The newspaper editor is obviously in bed with the president.

Venality

Willingness to use power and influence in a dishonest way in return for money