B2 SPEAKING

Useful Expressions
for the Cambridge B2 (FIRST) Speaking Exam

PART 1

Talking about likes/dislikes
I'm keen on…
I'm interested in…
I enjoy/love…
I can't stand…
I'm not a big fan of…

Talking about routines
I often/usually/sometimes/rarely/never…
I… once/twice/three times a week…
I spend my mornings/afternoons/evenings…

Talking about preferences
I prefer (+verb+ing)
I'd rather (+bare infinitive)

PART 2

Differences and similarities
Both pictures show…
The main similarity is…
In the first picture… **while/whereas**
in the second picture ….
Another important difference is…
On the one hand,…
On the other hand,…

Answering the question
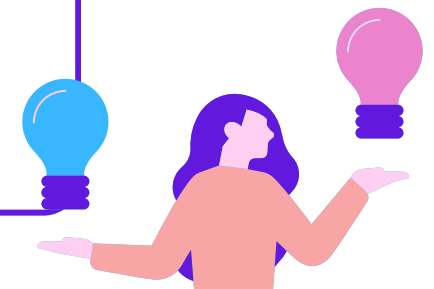Regarding the question,…
When it comes to the question,…

Speculating
He/She/It/They look(s)/seem(s)…
He/She/It/They could/might be…

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PARTS 3 AND 4

Initiating the discussion:
Shall I start...?
Shall we start with...?

Asking questions and moving to the next option
What do you think about...?
What is your opinion on...?
What are your thoughts on...?
Would you agree that...?

When it comes to (n/gerund), ...
As far as (n/gerund), is concerned...
Now, regarding (n/gerund),

Agreeing
Indeed.
Sure, and also...
Yeah, that's a good point.
That's right!
I couldn't agree more.
I agree with you.

Disagreeing politely
I see your point, but don't you think that...?
Well, to be honest, I don't think so.
I see what you mean. However,...
I'm not so sure about that. You see...
I'm afraid I don't agree with you.

Giving your opinion
For me,...
The way I see it,...
I believe that...
In my opinion,...
From my point of view,...
As far as I'm concerned...

Asking for repetition
Could you repeat that, please?

Gap fillers
-Well,...
-Let me think,...
-I've never actually thought about this but...
-Hmm, interesting question...
-Hmm, that's difficult to answer...