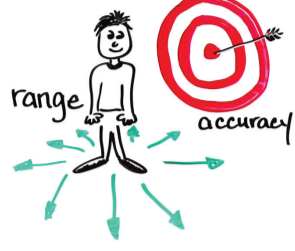




# BRITISH COUNCIL - IELTS SPEAKING - GRAMMATICAL RANGE & ACCURACY



This criteria focuses on the range and accuracy of the grammar with which the test taker speaks.

## Grammatical Range & Accuracy

Might mean using some of these:

- \* COMPARATIVE STRUCTURES  
I like watching movies **more than** watching TV  
I think banks are **as much** to blame as governments on this issue.
- \* VARIOUS CONDITIONAL STRUCTURES  
If **we breathe** too much carbon dioxide, **we will increasingly find** breathing difficult  
If I won the lottery, **I would buy** a big apartment for my family  
**If I had** the opportunity, **I would** ensure a solution was found
- \* MODAL VERBS  
The government **has to** be more open  
Many people think we **should** be doing more for the environment
- \* PERFECT TENSES  
My country **has developed** skills in managing sensitive diplomatic relations  
**I have been learning** English for 2 years  
We **had never thought** about pollution until reports were released recently
- \* DIFFERENT WAYS OF TALKING ABOUT THE FUTURE  
**I'm moving** to Australia next year;  
**I'm going** to the cinema tomorrow night;  
**I will probably quit** work in a few years
- \* PASSIVE TENSES  
The movie **was directed** by a first-timer  
These buildings **are being designed** by American architects



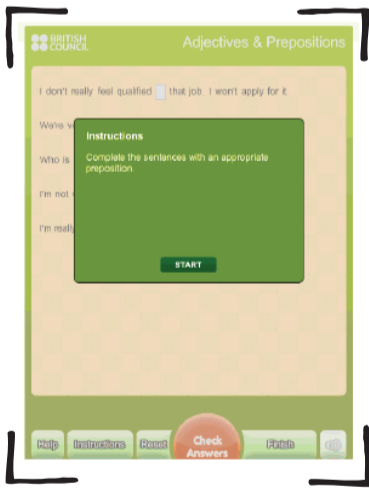
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## - Complex Structures -

The range of grammar includes using a variety of complex structures. Essentially, these are sentences with multiple bits of information. Contrast that to a simple sentence with a single piece of information.

### For instance:

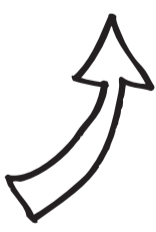
Just beside the station was a stadium, which was built in the 19th century, and where games are now held every weekend.



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## - Be Prepared -

Make sure that you know the test format and what happens in each section.

### For instance:

SOME QUESTIONS IN PART 3 OF THE IELTS ASK YOU TO SPECULATE ABOUT THE FUTURE - SO BE PREPARED TO USE VARIOUS FUTURE TENSES IN YOUR ANSWERS.

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