

IELTS Speaking Test PART 2 Sample Question and Answer by Jane Lawson at DailyStep.com

Question: Describe a plant, flower or tree that you like. You should say:

- what type of plant, flower or tree it is
- where it grows or is usually seen
- when you first saw it
- and why you like it.



Answer: I think **one of my favourite trees**, which also has flowers at certain times of the year, is **the cherry tree**. It seems **to grow almost anywhere** – I have seen it in towns, parks, cities and the countryside. **One thing I could say about its habitat is that usually seems to grow** somewhere **where it has been planted**, in other words near to human habitation. **People often plant** cherry trees in their gardens, although I guess cherry **seeds are also spread by birds**.

I can't remember the first time I saw a cherry tree, but I do remember that **there was one in a park near where I lived as a child** and I used to love looking up at it in the sunlight. In the spring, it was especially memorable because that was **when it was in blossom**.

There are so many reasons why I like this tree. In spring, **its branches are heavy with bright pink blossoms**, which are often one of the first signs of spring. **The blossoms cover the tree** and **brighten everyone's day**, making people smile. They also **attract bees, which drink their nectar**. When the blossoms start to disappear, **their soft pink petals** blow like confetti **in the spring breeze**, showering any passers-by. In the summer, the cherry tree **bears a delicious fruit**, the cherry. This small, round, dark red fruit **has a seed inside**, and when **the fruit is ripe**, it is deliciously sweet and also extremely healthy to eat. In autumn, **the leaves of the cherry tree turn a beautiful orange colour**, so once again this tree is **a delight to look at**. Another reason I like the cherry tree is that **it provides valuable food for wild animals**, such as birds, squirrels and so on.

This sample answer took around 2 minutes, which is the maximum time you need to speak for in the IELTS Speaking Test Part 2. Try it yourself, and if possible, record your answer!

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