

LANGUAGECERT International Spoken ESOL Achiever level – B1 Paper 3 – 2016

Interlocutor's instructions

CHECK THAT THE RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING

Test time: 12 minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

PART 1 (3 minutes)

I: LANGUAGECERT International Spoken ESOL Exam, Achiever level, (give today's date).

(NB This introduction only needs to be recorded before the first candidate's test begins, not for subsequent candidates.)

(Give candidate's name.) Exam begins. Hello. My name's (give full name). Can you spell your family name for me, please?

- C: (Spells family name.)
- I: Thank you. Which country are you from?
- C: (Responds.)
- I: Thank you. Now, Part One. I'm going to ask you some questions about yourself. (Choose **up to five** questions, one from each of the different topic areas, as time allows. Name the topic; eg 'Now, **Daily life**'.)

Topics

Daily life

- How much time do you spend with your friends?
- What do you usually do when you want to relax?

Language

- How do you practise English outside the classroom?
- What do you find most difficult about learning a language?

Leisure

- Which do you prefer, indoor or outdoor activities?
- Do you prefer spending your free time alone or with friends?

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Internet

- How often do you use the Internet?
- How do you use the Internet to help you with your studies?

House and home

- How long have you lived in your home?
- Can you tell me about your neighbours?

C: (Responds.)

I: (Interlocutor makes **brief** responses and/or comments.)

I: Thank you.

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PART 2 (3 minutes)

I: Now, Part Two. We are going to role-play some situations. I want you to start or respond. First situation (choose one situation from **A**).

Α

- I'm your friend. I start.
 How about going out for a meal tonight?
- We're strangers on a train. You are reading a newspaper. I start. Excuse me. Do you think I could have a look at your newspaper, please?
- C: (Responds.)
- 1: (Role-play the situation with the candidate approximately two turns each.)
- I: Second situation (choose one situation from **B**).

В

- I'm a waiter. You've just finished your lunch. You start.
- I'm your friend. We have arranged to go out together tonight but you can't come. You start.
- C: (Initiates.)
- 1: (Role-play the situation with the candidate approximately two turns each.)
- 1: (Role-play a third situation from **A** or **B** if time allows.)
- I: Thank you.

PART 3 (3 minutes)

I: Now, Part Three. In this part of the test we're going to discuss something together. All right? We want to take a course together in our free time but we haven't decided what to study yet. Here are some ideas. (Hand over candidate's task sheet.) Let's ask and answer questions to help us decide. I'll start.

Interlocutor's Task Sheet



I: Thank you. (Retrieve candidate's task sheet.)

PART 4 (3 minutes including follow-up questions)

I: In Part Four you are going to talk about something for one and a half minutes. Your topic is *(choose topic for candidate)*.

Topics

- A Popular sports in your country
- B Your favourite restaurant
- I: You now have thirty seconds to write some notes to help you. (Hand over piece of paper and pen/pencil.) So your topic is (repeat topic). (Withdraw eye contact for thirty seconds. Leave recorder running.)
- I: (Candidate's name), please start.
- C: (Talks.)
- I: (When candidate has talked for a maximum of one minute, say, 'Thank you', and then ask some follow-up questions.)

Follow-up questions

Popular sports in your country

- What sport do you think will be popular in the future?
- What sports do you play to keep healthy?
- Which is better playing or watching sport?
- Do you think professional sportsmen earn too much?

Your favourite restaurant

- When do you plan to go to this restaurant again?
- How often do you eat out?
- Do you like restaurants where they play background music?
- How important is it to learn to cook?
- I: Thank you, (give candidate's name). That is the end of the exam.

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Candidate's Task Sheet for Part Three (Candidate's copy)

