

FIRST CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH SPEAKING TEST

Part 1 (3 minutes)

(Interlocutor)

Good morning (afternoon/ evening). Could I have your mark sheets, please?
(Hand over the mark sheets to the Assessor.)

My name is.....and this is my colleague.... He/ she is just going to listen to us.

So, you are..... and..... ? Thank you.

First of all we'd like to know something about you, so I'm going to ask you some questions about yourselves.

(Select one or more questions from each of the following categories as appropriate)

Home Town Let's begin with your home town or village....

- Where are you from ? What do you like about living here?
- Can you tell me something about *(candidate's town or village)*?
- What is the most interesting part of your town/ village?
- What kind of jobs do the people in your town/ village do?
- Do you live in a house or a flat? What is it like?
- What makes a good neighbour?

Family and friends and what about your family...

- Do you have a small or a large family?
- Have you got any brothers and sisters?
- Can you tell me something about them?
- What makes a good friend?
- Is it easy to meet new people/ to make new friends where you live?
- Do you normally go out with family or friends?
- What do you enjoy doing with your friends?

Pets

- Have got a pet/pets? Can you tell me something about it /them?
- If you had the opportunity to have one, what would it be? Why?

Likes and Dislikes

- Do you prefer to spend time on your own or with other people? Why?
- Do you like cooking? What sort of things do you cook?)
- What's your favourite food? Why do you like it?
- Do you like going to parties? Tell us about a good party you've been to.
- Tell us about a day you've really enjoyed recently

Work/Study/Education and what about you...

- Can you tell me something about yourself?
- Do you work or are you a student?
- How long have you been studying English?
- How Important. is English for your work?
- What do you enjoy most about your work/ studies?
- What qualifications did you need/ will you need for your job / for the job the job you hope to do?
- Do you find it easy to study where you live? Why / Why not?
- Is there something new you'd really like to learn about? Why?
- Are you happier doing mental or physical work? Why?
- Do you prefer working on your own or with other people? Why?
- What kind of work would you really like to do in the future? Why?

Leisure /Hobbies / Entertainment

Now, let's move on to what you do in your spare time

- Do you have any hobbies?
- How did you become interested in (*Whatever hobby the candidate enjoys*)?
- Which do you prefer more, watching television or going to the cinema?
- Do you like going to the cinema?
- What sort of programmes/ films do you like to watch?
- What (programmes) do people here like watching?
- What do you think makes a good programme?
- What is there to do in the evening in (*candidate's town or village*)?
- What kind of sports are you and your friends interested in?
- What sports do people play most in your country?
- What kind of music do you enjoy most?
- Where do you like listening to music? Why?
- How do you usually spend your holidays?
- Is there anywhere you would particularly like to visit? Why?
- Do you like reading books?
- What sort of books do you enjoy reading most?
- Where do you think is the best place to spend a free afternoon around here/in your town/village?
- How expensive is it to go out in the evening where you live?
- Tell me about your favourite filmstar?
- What's your favourite TV programme? Why?
- Who do you spend your free time with? What sort of things do you do together?
- How time do you spend at home? What do you enjoy doing?
- Does anyone you know have an interesting hobby?

Past Now, thinking about the past...

- Can you remember your first English lessons? What were they like?
- What do you think were the most important things you learned at primary/elementary school?
- What did you do last week-end.

Future plans Now, thinking about the future....

- Have you got any plans for the future?
- What do you hope to do in the next few years?
- How ambitious are you?
- What kind of job do you hope to be doing in ten year's time?
- Do you plan to study anything in the future?
- Would you prefer to work for a big or a small company?..Why?
- What do you think would be the most interesting job to do?
- What are you doing next weekend?
- Have you got any plans for this weekend?

The Media

- How do you find out what is happening in the world?
- Do you ever listen to the radio?.. What programmes do you like?
- How important is TV for you?
- Tell us about a TV programme you've seen recently?
- Do you like the same TV programmes as your parents?
- What's the difference do you think between reading the news in the newspaper and watching it on TV?
- Do you think computers will (ever) replace newspapers and TV in the future?
- How much TV do you watch in a week? Would you like to watch more TV than that or less? Why?
- Do you have a favourite newspaper or magazine? Why?
- Do you use the Internet to learn new things? What sort of things do you look for?
- How much time a week do you spend on the Internet?

Holiday and Travel

- Have you ever been abroad? Where have you been to?
- Which area of your country would you like to get to know better? Why?
- What's the most interesting place you've ever visited?
- Have you ever used your English on holiday? Where was it? What did you use it for?
- How do you prefer to travel, by train or plane?...Why that?
- What's the longest journey you've ever been to?
- What's public transport like in your country?
- Where did you spend your last holiday? What did you do?
- Do you like to plan your holidays or do you prefer to just go? Why?
- Where would you like to go on holiday in the future? Why?