

# International Spoken ESOL Preliminary level Interlocutor's instructions

## Sample Paper

## CHECK THAT THE TAPE RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING

Test time: 5 minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

## Part 1 (1 minute)

- I: City & Guilds Pitman Qualifications International Spoken ESOL Test, Preliminary level. (*Give today's date and candidate's name*). Test begins. Hello. My name's *(give full name)*. Can you spell your family name for me please?
- C: (Spells family name.)
- I: Thank you. Where are you from?
- C: (Responds.)
- I: Thank you. Now, in the first part of the test I'm going to ask you some questions about yourself. All right? (Choose **up to five** questions from the list as time allows.)

#### Questions

- Where do you live now?
- Where do you work / study?
- What do you do in your free time?
- What's your first language?
- What's your phone number?
- What food do you like?
- Can you tell me something about your friends?
- When's your birthday?
- How do you travel to work/college?
- What's the weather like today?
- C: (Responds.)
- I: (Interlocutor makes brief responses and/or comments)
- I: Thank you.

## Part 2 (1 minute)

I: Now, Part Two. I'm going to read some situations. I want you to start or respond as necessary. First situation (Choose one situation from A).

#### Α

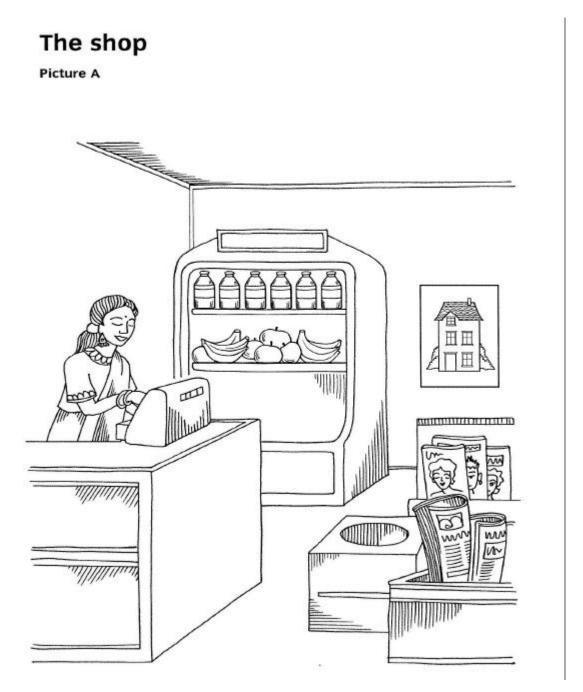
- We're friends. I start.
  "Would you like to go to the cinema?"
- We're friends. I start.
  "Do you like swimming?"
- I work in a post office. You want some stamps. I start. "Can I help you?"
- I'm your teacher. I start. "Where's your homework please?"
- C: (Responds.)
- l: (Role-play the situation with the candidate approximately two turns each).
- I: Second situation (Choose one situation from **B**).

#### В

- You're a customer in my clothes shop. You want to know the price of a coat. You start.
- You are in a new town. You want to find the bank. You start.
- We're friends. We meet in the street. You start.
- You're having a party. You want to invite me. You start.
- C: (Initiates.)
- l: (Role-play the situation with the candidate approximately two turns each).
- I: (Role-play a third situation from **A** or **B** if time allows.)
- I: Thank you.

## Part 3 (1 minute 30 seconds)

I: Now Part Three. Here's a picture of a shop. (Hand over candidate's copy of the picture.) I also have a picture of a shop. Some things are different. You and I must find the differences. All right? I start.



I: Thank you. (Retrieve candidate's copy of picture.)

## Part 4 (1 minute 30 seconds)

I: In Part Four you are going to talk on your own for about a minute. Your topic is *(choose topic).* 

## **Topics**

- A What you do in the evenings.
- B Your family.
- C The clothes you like.
- I: First think about it for thirty seconds and make some notes if you want. (Hand over piece of paper and pen/pencil.) So your topic is (repeat topic). All right? (Withdraw eye contact for thirty seconds. Leave tape running.)
- I: Ready? Please start.
- C: (Talks for about a minute.)
- I: (Ask a selection of prompt questions if necessary.)

## **Prompt questions**

#### A What you do in the evenings

- What time do you have dinner?
- Do you go out with your friends in the evening?
- How do you relax at home?

## **B** Your family

- Do you live with your family?
- What things do you do together?
- Where do you go with your family?

## C The clothes you like.

- Where do you buy your clothes?
- What's your favourite colour? Why?
- Do you spend much money on clothes?
- I: Thank you. That is the end of the test. (*Give candidate's name*). End of test.

## CANDIDATE'S TASK SHEET FOR PART THREE

