

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*).

A

- 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.*)

I: (*Role-play the situation with the candidate – approximately two turns each.*)

I: Second situation (*Choose one situation from B*).

B

- 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.*)

I: (*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.

The shop

Picture A



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

The shop

Picture B

