City Guilds Pitman Oualifications

International Spoken ESOL Access level Interlocutor's instructions

Sample Paper

CHECK THAT THE TAPE RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING

Test time: 7 minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

Part 1 (2 minutes)

I: City & Guilds Pitman Qualifications International Spoken ESOL Test, Access 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. And 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 as time will allow. Name the topic; eg "Now, **House**, **Home and Environment**.").

Questions

House, home and environment

- Where do you live?
- Can you tell me something about your neighbours?
- What kind of house do you like?
- Which is your favourite room in your home? Why?

Free time and entertainment

- What are you going to do next weekend?
- What kind of music do you like?
- Do you have any special hobbies or interests?
- How often do you watch TV?

Language

- When do you speak English?
- Can you tell me about your English class?
- When did you start to learn English?
- What English songs do you like?

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Shopping

- How often do you go shopping?
- Can you tell me about your favourite shop?
- Some people don't like shopping. What about you?
- Do you like shopping in supermarkets? Why / why not?

Food and Drink

- Which food is most popular in your area?
- How good at cooking are you?
- What kind of food do you like most?
- Is there any food you really dislike? Why?

C: (Responds.)

I: Thank you.

Part 2 (1 minute 30 seconds)

I: Now, Part Two. I'm going to read some situations. First situation. (Choose 1 situation from A).

Α

- We're on a train. I stand on your foot. I start. "Oh dear. I'm so sorry".
- I'm your friend. I start."Would you like to go to the cinema tonight?"
- We're friends. I start. "What are you going to do tomorrow?"
- You are going to work in my restaurant. I start.
 "When can you start work?"
- C: (Responds.)
- I: (Role-play the situation with candidate approximately two turns each).
- I: Second situation. (Choose 1 situation from **B**).

В

- Your bag's really heavy. Ask me to help you. You start.
- You're in a restaurant. You want some more water. Ask the waiter. You start.
- I give you an expensive gift for your birthday. What do you say? You start.
- I'm your English teacher. You don't understand the word 'shoulder'. Ask me. You start.
- C: (Initiates.)
- l: (Role-play situation with candidate approximately two turns each).
- l: (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 an office (Hand over candidate's copy of the picture.) I also have a picture of an office. Some things are different. You and I must find the differences. All right? I start.

The office

Picture A



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

Part 4 (2 minutes)

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

Topics

- A A journey you remember
- B How to keep fit
- C Your home town
- 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: (Choose follow-up questions as time will allow.)

Follow-up questions

A A journey to remember

- What kinds of places do you like visiting?
- What important things do you take with you on a long journey?
- Do you prefer travelling alone or with other people? Why?

B How to keep fit

- What kind of food isn't very healthy?
- How much exercise do you take?
- Do you belong to any sports clubs?

C Your home town

- Do many tourists visit your town?
- Which part of the town do you live in?
- What is the countryside like around your town?
- I: Thank you. That's the end of the test. (*Give candidate's name*). End of test.

CANDIDATE'S TASK SHEET FOR PART THREE

