

#### **International Spoken ESOL** Sample Paper

# **Communicator level** Interlocutor's instructions

### CHECK THAT THE TAPE RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING

Test time: 10 Minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

### PART 1 (2 minutes)

Ŀ City & Guilds Pitman Qualifications International Spoken ESOL Test, Communicator 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.)

Thank you. Now, in the first part of the test I'm going to ask you some questions Ŀ about yourself. All right? (Choose up to five questions as time will allow. Name the topic; eg "Now, Work/School".)

#### Questions

#### **Home Life**

- Can you tell me something about your home?
- What kinds of things do you do with your family?
- Can you tell me something about family meals?
- Which member of your family are you most like? In what way?

#### Work

- How do you / will you use English in your job?
- What do you think would be the perfect job? Why?
- Is there a job you wouldn't like to do? Why not?
- Is the salary the most important thing for you? Why / why not?

#### Music

- Which sort of music do you enjoy listening to?
- What do you think about background music in shops and other public places?
- Which musical instrument would you most like to play? Why?
- Which music do you dislike most? Why?

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### The Environment

- Can you tell me something about the natural features in the area where you live?
- What kinds of things do you recycle?
- How can we improve the problem of litter?
- Can you tell me about an outdoor area where you like to spend time?

### **Sport**

- How important is sport in your life?
- Do you think sports people are paid too much? Why/Why not?
- How much sport do you / did you play at school?
- Which new sport would you like to learn? Why?
- C: (Responds.)
- I: Thank you.

### PART 2 (2 minutes)

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

#### Α

- I'm your friend. I start.

  "Hi! What're you doing this weekend?"
- I'm your English teacher. I start.
   "Tell me what you find most difficult about learning English."
- I'm your neighbour. I start.

  "I've run out of coffee. Could you lend me some, please"
- I'm a stranger in your town. I start. "Excuse me, where's the best place to eat around here?"
- C: (Responds.)
- I: (Role-play the situation with candidate approximately two turns each.)
- I: Second situation (*choose one situation from B*).

#### В

- You're in a hotel. I'm the manager. There's a problem with your room. Complain. You start.
- I'm your teacher. We're in class. You want to leave early. You start.
- You're in a bank. You want to change some money into British pounds. You start.
- You've lost your bag. You're at the police station. Describe your bag and its contents.
   You start.
- C: (Initiates.)
- I: (Role-play the situation with candidate approximately two turns each.)
- I: (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? (Hand over candidate's task sheet.)

We're planning a camping holiday for our English class. Here's some information about a camp-site. I have some further information about a different camp-site. Let's ask and answer questions to decide where to go. First we've got twenty seconds to think. (Wait twenty seconds.) Why don't you start?

### Interlocutor's Task Sheet

Beach Camp-Site	
<u>Activities</u>	<u>Facilities</u>
Swimming Sailing	*** Restaurant Tennis Court
£50 per person per week	

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

### PART 4 (3 minutes)

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

### **Topics**

- A What would you change about TV in your country?
- B An important day in your life.
- C The best place for tourists to visit in your area.
- 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 **if time allows**.)

### **Follow up Questions**

## A What would you change about TV programming in your country?

- Should TV be educational or entertaining?
- How much TV do you watch?
- Does TV influence young children?
- Do you prefer to watch films on TV or at the cinema? Why?

### B An important day in your life.

- How do you make sure you remember special occasions?
- Why do some people keep diaries?
- What kinds of things do you remember from your childhood?
- What special days are you looking forward to?

### C The best places for tourists to visit in your area.

- What makes a place good for tourism?
- Which places would you like to travel to?
- Which is the best place you've ever visited? Why?
- What effect do tourists have on the places they visit?
- C: (Responds)
- I: Thank you. That's the end of the test. (Give candidate's name). End of test.

### **CANDIDATE'S TASK SHEET FOR PART THREE**

River Camp-Site

<u>Activities</u> <u>Facilities</u>

Fishing Fast food cafe

Horse riding Swimming pool

£50 per person per week