Speaking

Candidates must answer ALL parts

The following is a script to be read aloud by the Examiner on the recording. Anything in square brackets [...] requires specific details to be added. The bold pieces of text are instructions to the Examiner that should not be read aloud.

Begin the recording now.

This is the Developing English Language Framework speaking examination. The candidate is [candidate's full name] and the candidate's number is [candidate's NCC Education candidate number]. The examiner is [examiner's full name]

There are three parts to this examination. Part A involves some questions about everyday topics. It will take about three minutes. In Part B, you will have to speak for up to two minutes about a topic. You will have one minute to prepare for this. In Part C, you have to answer some more general questions about the same topic as in Part B. Part C takes about three minutes.

Begin timing three minutes for Part A now. Choose two or three of the following topics and ask all three questions from the chosen topics. Begin with Topic 1, then choose 2 or 3 of Topics 2-5. Do not go over three minutes for this section. Choose a fourth topic only if the candidate finishes three topics in less than two minutes. Introduce each topic with a phrase like "Now let's talk about...", "Next I'd like to ask you about..." etc.

Ask the 'Why (not)?' questions when necessary.

Part A - 3 minutes

Topic 1

Studies

- **1** What is your favourite subject?
- 2 Do you prefer to study in the morning or in the evening? Why?
- 3 What do you plan to do after your studies?

Topic 2

Public transport

- **1** How often do you use pubic transport?
- 2 Which is your favourite mode of public transport? Why?
- 3 How would you improve the public transport where you live?

Topic 3

Holidays

- 1 Where did you go for your last holiday?
- 2 Why are holidays important to people?
- **3** What would you do if you had more holidays?

Topic 4

Famous people

- 1 Which famous person do you admire?
- 2 What are the disadvantages of being famous?
- **3** Would you like to be famous? Why (not)?

Topic 5

Presents

- **1** When do you receive presents?
- 2 Describe a gift you have received recently.
- **3** Do you prefer to give presents or receive them? Why?

Part B

Now we're moving on to Part B. I am going to give you a topic. You have to speak about this topic for between one and two minutes. I will tell you when the time is up. First, you have one minute to prepare. You can take notes if you wish. Here's a pencil and some notepaper.

Pass the notepaper and a pencil to the candidate.

Choose one of the three cards and pass it to the candidate.

Here is your topic. Read the first sentence of the topic, starting 'Talk about...'

Your one-minute preparation time begins now.

Start timing one minute. Do NOT pause the recording. At the end of this minute say:

The preparation time is up. You can start speaking now.

Start timing two minutes. If the candidate finishes considerably before one minute is up, say:

You still have some time. Can you say some more?

When the two minutes are up, or if the candidate finishes before this, say:

OK. Can I take the pencil and paper and card back please?

Take these back.

Card 1

You have ONE (1) minute to think about the following topic. Then you should speak about it for TWO (2) minutes.

Describe a building in your hometown.

You can use the following questions to help you:

What is the building?

What does the building look like?

Where is the building?

What do you think about the building?

You can also give other information.

Now we're moving on to Part C. I will ask you some more general questions about this topic.

You might only need 3 or 4 of these questions to fill the 3 minutes. If candidates do not develop their answers fully, ask questions such as 'Why - ?' or 'How - ?' to get candidates to give more details.

Questions

- 1 Which kinds of buildings are usually most popular with tourists?
- 2 Do tourists prefer old buildings or modern buildings?
- **3** What are some of the downsides of tourism?
- 4 How has tourism changed in recent decades?
- **5** Do you agree that spending money on travel is a waste of money?
- **6** How will tourism change in the future?

Card 2

You have ONE (1) minute to think about the following topic. Then you should speak about it for TWO (2) minutes.

Talk about a shop you like.

You can use the following questions to help you:

Where is the shop?

What does it sell?

How often do you go to the shop?

Why do you like the shop?

You can also give other information.

Now we're moving on to Part C. I will ask you some more general questions about this topic.

You might only need 3 or 4 of these questions to fill the 3 minutes. If candidates do not develop their answers fully, ask questions such as 'Why - ?' or 'How - ?' to get candidates to give more details.

Questions

- 1 Which types of shops are most popular in your country?
- 2 Why do some people enjoy shopping?
- 3 Do people spend too much money on unnecessary things?
- **4** Do people in your country spend too much time shopping?
- **5** What are some advantages of large shopping malls?
- 6 Do you think online shopping will completely replace physical shops?

Card 3

You have ONE (1) minute to think about the following topic. Then you should speak about it for TWO (2) minutes.
Talk about a memorable meal you have had.
You can use the following questions to help you:
What was the occasion? Where did you have the meal? What did you eat? Who was there? Why was the meal memorable?
You can also give other information.

Now we're moving on to Part C. I will ask you some more general questions about this topic.

You might only need 3 or 4 of these questions to fill the 3 minutes. If candidates do not develop their answers fully, ask questions such as 'Why - ?' or 'How - ?' to get candidates to give more details.

Questions

- 1 Should children learn about healthy eating in school?
- 2 Who should teach children to cook?
- **3** How can people be encouraged to eat healthy food?
- 4 Do you think that people will spend more time or less time eating out in the future?
- 5 Will more people grow their own food in the future?
- 6 Will people eat more meat or less meat in the future?