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**NOTES ON CONDUCTING AND RECORDING THE TESTS****Please note**

1. The warm-up section may give the examiner an indication of the best card to select **but the examiner must not allow the candidate to lead the choice of topic.**
2. The speaking assessment cards **must not be opened** until one working day before the test.
3. All tests must be recorded **in full throughout**. The recording must not be paused or stopped at any point during the test.

**GENERAL**

1. The speaking tests take place in the period before the main examination series, as notified on the timetable. Each centre decides on a convenient period within these dates for its speaking tests. It is recommended that the tests are conducted within one week to allow sufficient time for a single examiner to conduct all of the tests. See Section 4 below.
2. Centres must ensure well in advance of the tests that a suitably quiet room is available and that recording equipment is in good order.
3. Centres must adhere to dates for completion of the speaking tests and for the receipt of mark sheets and recordings at Cambridge International to allow sufficient time for external moderation. It is vital that material does not arrive late.
4. For centres with 30 or fewer candidates, only one examiner must be used. Each centre will select its own examiner. This is normally a teacher within the English Language Department, but could be someone local from outside the centre. A group of neighbouring centres might choose the same teacher to conduct all their tests; in such a case each centre is still responsible for submitting properly completed forms and samples. Cambridge International is not responsible for any fees agreed.

Centres with more than 30 candidates may use more than one examiner (applying the ratio of an additional examiner for each 30 candidates). If using more than one examiner, internal moderation must be carried out by the centre so that a common standard is applied to all candidates.

5. Centres receive a set of speaking assessment cards with this set of examiner's notes. These cards **must not be opened** until one working day before the test. Both the cards and the notes must remain confidential and must be kept in a secure place by the centre until the end of the examination period.
6. Each centre must send to Cambridge International the following: (a) recorded sample on a CD/USB stick; (b) printout of marks submitted electronically (Internally Assessed Marks Report); (c) completed Speaking Examination Summary Form(s).

**(a) Recorded sample**

Each centre must provide a sample of speaking tests, to be recorded on a CD or USB stick. The size of the sample required is given in the instructions for completing the Speaking Examination Summary Form.

Please ensure that you do not send the recordings of all the candidates (unless there are 10 or fewer). Ideally the sample should be transferred to one or two CDs/USB sticks. You should keep a copy of each speaking test in case of loss or damage to the original. If the sample sent to Cambridge International is inaudible or faulty in any way, you may be asked to provide a replacement.

The teacher responsible for internal moderation at the centre must ensure that the sample covers the whole mark range of the candidates at the centre, with marks spaced as evenly as possible from the top mark to the lowest mark. Where there is more than one teacher involved, the sample must include, in equal number, candidates tested by all teachers.

For instructions on recording the tests, see Section 14 below. CDs/USB sticks must be sent to Cambridge International together with completed documents. CDs/USB sticks must be clearly labelled with details of the candidates whose speaking tests have been submitted.

**(b) Internally Assessed Marks Report (submitted electronically)**

Centres must submit marks electronically using the Internally Assessed Marks Report. This is to be completed by transferring the mark for each candidate from the 'total mark' column, or the 'internally moderated mark' column if a process of internal moderation has taken place, on the Speaking Examination Summary Form.

**(c) Speaking Examination Summary Form**

Marks for each candidate are to be entered in detail on the Speaking Examination Summary Form. This form, and the instructions for completing it, may be downloaded from [www.cambridgeinternational.org/samples](http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/samples). The database will ask you for the syllabus code (i.e. 0991) and your centre number, after which it will take you to the correct form. Follow the instructions when completing the form. A copy of the form must be submitted together with the recorded sample and the printout of marks submitted electronically.

Please be careful to check all mark additions. The Speaking Examination Summary Form must show the breakdown of marks for all the candidates, not just those selected for the sample. Please put an asterisk (\*) against the names of candidates whose speaking tests have been submitted on the CD/USB stick. The candidates' names should appear in the same order on both the summary form and the Internally Assessed Marks Report.

7. The sample CD(s)/USB stick(s), along with the printout of marks submitted electronically and a copy of the Speaking Examination Summary Form, should be returned to Cambridge International as soon as the tests have been completed at the centre. Please do not wait until the end of the assessment period before sending them.

## CONDUCTING THE SPEAKING TESTS

8. The speaking tests should proceed as follows:

**Part A** Start the recording. Give the candidate's name and number. Welcome the candidate and explain briefly what is going to happen in the test, using the examiner script on one of the assessment card pages in these notes. This part should not take more than a minute.

**Part B** Warm-up section. The purpose of this section is to give the candidate time to get used to the examination situation, and put the candidate at ease by conducting a short conversation (2–3 minutes) on general topics and the candidate's hobbies and interests. The topic cards should not be discussed during this phase.

**Part C** Give the speaking assessment card to the candidate and announce the letter and the name of the card. This must take place AFTER the warm-up. Any necessary explanation is given at this point, followed by a short preparation period (about 2–3 minutes), when the candidate may ask questions. The candidate cannot make notes during this period.

Please note: the preparation period must be recorded.

**Part D** Main part of the test. Conversation based on the speaking assessment card. Either the examiner or the candidate may start the conversation. All prompts must be used, in the order they appear on the card. Do not allow candidates to deliver speeches or monologues at any point during the test. The main part of the test should last approximately 6–9 minutes.

**The total duration of the speaking test, from the beginning of (A) to the end of (D), should be approximately 10–15 minutes and recorded in full.**

**Note that only (D) is to be assessed.**

**The speaking test must be conducted in English throughout.**

9. Examination conditions must prevail in the area where the speaking tests take place. Adequate supervision must be provided to ensure that candidates leaving the examination room do not communicate with those waiting to enter.
10. No other person should be present during the speaking test, with the exception of another teacher/examiner, moderator or representative of Cambridge International.
11. Candidates cannot bring any notes into the examination room. They are not allowed to consult dictionaries.
12. A range of speaking assessment cards is provided, and the examiner (not the candidate) chooses the card to be used for each candidate. As wide a variety as possible of the cards should be used during the speaking tests at the centre. In order that candidates are given every chance to do themselves justice, the speaking assessment card should be selected with care. The warm-up may give the examiner an indication of the best card to select **but the examiner must not allow the candidate to lead the choice of topic.**
13. The examiner should be positioned so that he or she is facing the candidate, with a table or desk in between, and not allow candidates to see notes made on Speaking Examination Summary Forms or similar paperwork.

## RECORDING THE TESTS

14. Before the start of the speaking test session, centres must make sure their recording equipment is in good working order by testing the equipment in the room where the speaking tests will take place. Check audibility levels to avoid adjusting the volume during the speaking test and ensure there is no extraneous noise in the examination room. Checks for audibility should continue throughout the speaking test session.

**Once the speaking test has begun, the recording must run without interruption. Each CD/USB stick should begin with a clear statement by the examiner as follows:**

Centre number:	[e.g.]	AZ 999
Centre name:	[e.g.]	Abcxyz Academy
Examination:	0991	English as a Second Language
Examiner name:	[e.g.]	Ms Z. Abced
Date:	[e.g.]	1 April 2022

Each candidate should be clearly indicated by the examiner as follows:

Candidate number:	[e.g.]	0021
Candidate name:	[e.g.]	Abdi Zachariah

At the end of the recording the examiner should state clearly 'end of recording'.

Before the CD/USB stick is despatched, spot checks must be made to ensure that every candidate is clearly audible. The contents of each CD/USB stick must be clearly labelled. Each track on the CD/USB stick should be renamed, giving the candidate name and number, rather than 'track 1', 'track 2', etc. A separate audio track is required for each candidate.

## GENERAL ADVICE

15. Please bear in mind the following when marking:

**Be objective.** Do not allow any knowledge of a candidate's personality and attributes to influence objective assessment. For example, knowledge that a candidate is very conscientious in his or her homework is irrelevant in assessing his or her speaking test. If the candidate's performance is affected because he or she faces difficult circumstances or personal problems at the time of the test, this is a matter to be dealt with via special considerations procedures, for which exams officers at centres complete separate documentation. Examiners must not make any separate allowance themselves.

**Be realistic.** Remember that it is not necessary for a candidate to be of native speaker standard to be given maximum marks within any single category. But knowledge of a candidate's first language must not lead an examiner to ignore particular habitual errors and overlook inaccuracy.

**Be consistent.** It is important that the marking criteria are applied in the same way for all the candidates at the centre so that a reliable rank order for the centre is obtained.

**Be positive.** Marking the test should be seen as giving credit for what candidates can do, not penalising them for what they cannot do. This does not mean that matters of inaccuracy in, for example, grammar and pronunciation are to be overlooked, but is a reminder that a speaking test is intended to credit positive achievement.

**16.** To conduct speaking tests effectively:

- try to put candidates at their ease from the outset (smiling as they enter the room, indicating where they should sit) while maintaining a clear sense that the speaking test is being conducted in a formal examination situation
- show interest, even in mundane matters
- use 'open' questions which allow candidates to respond at length, not 'closed' questions which prompt yes/no answers.

Please avoid:

- walking about or distracting candidates
- interrupting with your own views or correcting mistakes
- showing undue surprise or impatience
- giving the impression that there are 'right' answers to questions or that the test is a test of knowledge
- making written notes during the test
- indicating how well the candidate has performed during or after the test.

### MARKING CRITERIA

Give a mark out of 10 for each category (structure, vocabulary, development and fluency), and then add these marks to give an overall total out of 30.

Mark	Structure	Vocabulary	Development and Fluency
9–10	The candidate uses a range of structures accurately and consistently, and is confidently in control of the structures used.	The candidate uses a sufficient range of vocabulary to respond with precision. Shades of meaning are achieved and some sophisticated ideas are communicated.	The candidate shows sustained ability to maintain a conversation (and contribute) at some length. The candidate responds to a change of direction in the conversation, demonstrating the ability to expand and develop the topic and contribute original ideas.  Pronunciation and intonation are clear.
7–8	The candidate uses a range of structures that are generally accurate (and used) with some confidence. Errors will occur when attempting to use more complex sentences.	The candidate uses a sufficient range of vocabulary to convey information and ideas with competence and some confidence.	The candidate maintains a competent conversation, responding relevantly and at length, using some original ideas. Frequent prompting is unnecessary.  Pronunciation and intonation are generally clear.
5–6	The candidate uses simple structures securely, but has difficulty venturing beyond them.	The candidate uses a sufficient range of vocabulary to convey simple ideas and information clearly, but not entirely successfully.	The candidate makes an attempt to respond to questions and prompts. Effort is needed to develop the conversation which will not be entirely successful.  Pronunciation and intonation are not always clear, but the candidate can be understood.
3–4	The candidate uses very simple, limited structures with errors which restrict communication.	The candidate uses a restricted range of vocabulary and has difficulty in conveying simple ideas. There is likely to be hesitation, repetition and searching for words.	The candidate has to be encouraged to go beyond responses which are brief and widely spaced. The candidate struggles to develop a conversation.  Pronunciation and intonation cause some communication difficulty.
1–2	The candidate attempts a response, but rarely achieves communication.	The candidate has insufficient vocabulary to convey even simple ideas.	The candidate's responses are so brief that little is communicated.  Pronunciation and intonation patterns cause difficulty for even the most sympathetic listener.
0	No response.	No response.	No response.

## Instructions to the teacher/examiner

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First we will have a 2–3-minute general discussion about your interests and life outside school. This part isn't assessed.

Then I will give you an assessment card which has the topic we will discuss in the last part of the test. You will have 2–3 minutes to read the five prompts on the card to prepare for this part. You can't make any written notes but you can ask me to explain anything you don't understand.

Finally, we will have a discussion based on the five prompts on the card and any ideas of your own on the topic. This part lasts 6–9 minutes and is the only part that is assessed. You may keep the card until the end of the test.

Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

## A Interests

### Candidate's Card

Many people have hobbies that they enjoy doing in their free time, such as sports, gardening or photography.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- a hobby you enjoyed when you were younger, and why
- a new hobby that you would like to start doing, and why
- the suggestion that your best friend should have the same interests as you
- the view that people's interests are changing because of technology
- whether young people's interests and hobbies may help them in their future jobs.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Do you have any questions?

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## B Working from home

### Candidate's Card

These days many people work or study at home instead of travelling to their place of work or school.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- a time when you, or someone you know, had to work or study at home, and what happened
- the kinds of jobs that can't be done from home, and why
- the advantages of working from home
- the view that studying at home is easier than studying at school
- the opinion that everyone will work from home in the future.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

## C Giving and receiving

### Candidate's Card

People often give or receive things, such as gifts or advice.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- a time when someone gave you a gift, and why
- some advice you gave to a friend or a family member, and what happened
- ways in which people can show they are grateful for help or gifts they receive
- the opinion that everyone should give money to charity
- the view that happiness comes from giving rather than from receiving.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

**D Live sports events****Candidate's Card**

People can see a sports event live as it happens, or watch a recording of it afterwards.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- live sports events that you, or people you know, have watched on TV
- whether you prefer watching live or recorded sports events
- the challenges of attending live sports events
- the opinion that taking part in sport is better than watching it
- the suggestion that the only purpose of live sports events is to make money.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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**Then start the test.**

**E Lifestyles****Candidate's Card**

A lifestyle is the typical way of living of an individual or a group of people.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- special food that is traditionally prepared for celebrations in your country
- a typical family activity or event that was important to you when you were younger, and why
- whether we can learn about the lifestyles of other nationalities from TV and films
- the suggestion that young people have unhealthier lifestyles than their parents and grandparents
- the view that young people are too influenced by the lifestyles of celebrities.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

**F Teenage life****Candidate's Card**

Teenage years can be an interesting and exciting time of life.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- places where you and your friends go in your free time, and what you do there
- the happiest memory you have of your teenage years, and why
- the advantages and disadvantages for teenagers of using social media
- whether celebrities are good role models for teenagers
- the idea that teenagers can and should change the world.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

**G Times of the year****Candidate's Card**

People do different things at different times of the year.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- your favourite time of the year, and why
- when your family prefers to go on holiday, and why
- an important festival or public holiday in your country, and what happens
- the advantages and disadvantages of living in a country with similar weather all year round
- the idea that people's moods or behaviour can be affected by the time of the year.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

## H The good things in life

### Candidate's Card

Everyone has things in their life that make them feel happy.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- people or things in your life that make you feel happy, and why
- a happy memory from your childhood, and what happened
- whether individuals can do things to make the world a better place
- the idea that the media should only report good news
- the suggestion that the best things in life are free.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

**I Where to go****Candidate's Card**

Many people have a favourite place or somewhere they would like to visit.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- somewhere you enjoyed going when you were younger, and why
- a place in your country that you would recommend to a visitor, and why
- the advantages and disadvantages of reading other people's travel blogs
- the view that travelling is a waste of time
- whether space tourism will ever be possible for everyone.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

## J Making and breaking

### Candidate's Card

Everyone has some experience in their life of making or breaking something.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- something you enjoyed making when you were younger, and why
- a time when you, or someone you know, broke something, and what happened
- whether young people should be taught at school how to make things, such as meals or clothes
- the view that social media can help people to make new friends
- the idea that people should always repair or recycle things which are broken.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

**K Learning****Candidate's Card**

Learning is something everyone does, both inside and outside school.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- something you learned from your parents or grandparents
- things you are good at and can teach other people
- the advantages and disadvantages of trying to learn something on your own
- the idea that many subjects students learn at school are not useful for their future
- the suggestion that people are never too old to learn something new.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

## L Creative arts

### Candidate's Card

Creative arts include theatre, photography and writing.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- whether you enjoy creative arts, and why
- a time when you, or someone you know, did something creative
- the benefits and challenges of a job in creative arts
- the view that you must have talent to do any creative arts
- the opinion that life would be very boring without creative arts.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

Remember, you are not allowed to make any written notes.

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Then I will give you an assessment card which has the topic we will discuss in the last part of the test. You will have 2–3 minutes to read the five prompts on the card to prepare for this part. You can't make any written notes but you can ask me to explain anything you don't understand.

Finally, we will have a discussion based on the five prompts on the card and any ideas of your own on the topic. This part lasts 6–9 minutes and is the only part that is assessed. You may keep the card until the end of the test.

Do you have any questions?

**Then start the test.**

**M Things people do****Candidate's Card**

People do many different things every day, some more important than others.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- something you did to help someone, and what happened
- your ambitions or goals and what you are doing to achieve them
- whether people can and should do more to improve the environment
- the suggestion that young people are influenced to do things by celebrities more than by their parents
- the idea that what people do is more important than what they say.

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## N Being a visitor

### Candidate's Card

A visitor is someone who visits a person or place.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- places you would like to visit, and why
- a time when someone visited your home, and what happened
- the challenges of visiting a different country
- whether it's important to research a place before visiting it
- the opinion that, in the future, we will only talk to people online rather than visit them.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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## O Entertainment

### Candidate's Card

People do many different things in their spare time for entertainment, such as listening to music, going to the cinema or the theatre.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

***Use the following prompts, in the order given below, to develop the conversation:***

- what you do for entertainment in your spare time
- a time when you had an enjoyable day or evening out, and what happened
- whether it is better to go to a live concert than to listen to recorded music at home, and why
- whether what young people do for entertainment is very different from what their parents do
- the idea that watching major sports events is the best form of entertainment.

You may introduce **related** ideas of your own to expand on these prompts.

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