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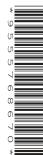
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Paper 5 Speaking Assessment A-O

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TEACHER'S/EXAMINER'S NOTES



The information in this document is confidential and must NOT reach candidates either directly or indirectly.

INSTRUCTIONS

- This booklet contains:
 - (a) administrative guidance on conducting the tests
 - (b) marking criteria
 - (c) copies of cards A–O with notes for the teacher/examiner.

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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) completed MS1 Form(s) (or printout of marks submitted electronically); (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) Form MS1

The computer-printed school-based assessment mark sheet (Form MS1) has three parts:

- The top sheet must be sent to Cambridge International in the separate envelope provided.
- The middle sheet (which is for the external moderator's use) must be sent separately to Cambridge International, together with the sample recording and Speaking Examination Summary Form(s).
- The bottom sheet must be retained by the centre, in case of postal loss or subsequent enquiries, until after the issue of results.

Form MS1 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.

Centres submitting marks electronically must include a printout of the internal marks report, together with the recorded sample and 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**. The database will ask you for the syllabus code (i.e. 0510 or 0511) 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 middle MS1 copy (or 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 MS1.

7. The sample CD(s)/USB stick(s), along with the completed MS1 (or 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 <u>only</u> (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: 0511 English as a Second Language

Examiner name: [e.g.] Ms Z. Abced
Date: [e.g.] 1 October 2021

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 <u>a speaking test is intended to credit positive achievement.</u>

- **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.

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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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.

A Guests

Candidate's Card

When people visit us at home, we make them feel as welcome as possible.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- a time when you were a guest in someone's home, and what happened
- special occasions when people visit friends or family, and what they do
- whether you prefer having guests at your home or visiting other people
- the suggestion that we should always welcome guests, whoever they are
- the view that you can learn a lot about people from the way they behave as visitors in your country.

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.

B Running

Candidate's Card

Many people enjoy jogging or running to keep fit.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- whether you like or dislike running, and why
- a time when you, or someone you know, took part in a sports event, and what happened
- reasons why running can be challenging for some people
- the view that students should do running or other fitness activities at school every day
- the opinion that watching sports events encourages people to take part in sports activities.

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 Success

Candidate's Card

Many people dream of becoming successful.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- a successful person you admire, and why
- a time when you were successful in something and what happened
- different ways people can achieve success
- the opinion that good health is more important than having a lot of money
- the view that successful people have a responsibility to help other people in their community.

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 Weekends

Candidate's Card

Many people have one or two days at the end of the week when they don't work or study.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- what you, or people you know, like to do at weekends
- a weekend when you did something special, and what happened
- reasons why some people have to work at weekends
- advantages and disadvantages of doing a lot of activities at weekends
- the opinion that everyone should only work or study three days a week.

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.

E Living in another country

Candidate's Card

Many people choose to live, study or work in another country.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- a country you would like to visit, and why
- what visitors might enjoy about staying in your country
- the challenges of learning a new language and culture
- the opinion that younger people are more interested in visiting other countries than older people
- the suggestion that everyone should experience living in another country, even for a short time.

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 Family

Candidate's Card

Families have many members, such as grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- the people in your family, and what they are like
- a time when your family celebrated a special occasion, and what happened
- the advantages and disadvantages of having a large family
- the opinion that family life should always be more important than work or study
- the view that friends understand us better than family members.

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.

G Holiday activities

Candidate's Card

Some people like to relax when they go away on holiday, while others like to do sports or other activities.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- things you like doing when you go away on holiday, and why
- a new sport or activity you would like to try on holiday, and why
- whether staying at home can be a good way of spending school holidays
- the suggestion that you can only have a relaxing holiday if you leave your computer and mobile phone at home
- the view that buying souvenirs and taking photos are the most enjoyable holiday activities.

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

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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Do you have any questions?

Then start the test.

H Winning

Candidate's Card

Winning is important to some people, for example in a sports event, a spelling competition or a talent contest.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- a competition you, or someone you know, took part in, and what happened
- whether winning is important to you, and why
- how people should behave when they don't win
- whether it's a good idea for friends to compete against each other
- the view that it is more fun to win as part of a team.

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

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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Do you have any questions?

Then start the test.

I Working with food

Candidate's Card

Many jobs involve working with food, such as being a chef or running a restaurant.

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, prepared a meal, and what happened
- whether you would like to have a job that involves working with food, and why
- the qualities needed to be a successful chef
- the suggestion that restaurant food can never be as good as the food that is cooked at home
- the view that business skills are more important than cooking skills to make a restaurant successful.

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

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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Do you have any questions?

Then start the test.

J Our goals

Candidate's Card

Our goals are the things we want to achieve in life, at work and in our studies.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- goals you would like to achieve in the future, and why
- a goal you, or a friend, achieved, and how
- whether it is important for everyone to have goals
- the view that it's better for young people if their future is planned by their parents
- the suggestion that the main goal for all countries is to protect the environment.

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

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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Do you have any questions?

Then start the test.

K Making a phone call

Candidate's Card

Many people talk to each other on the phone.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- people you talk to on the phone, and why
- how you feel if a friend chats to someone on their phone when you are with them
- reasons why people text each other rather than talk on the phone
- the suggestion that students should not be allowed to take their phones to school
- the opinion that it is necessary to meet people face to face when making important decisions.

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

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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Do you have any questions?

Then start the test.

L Driving

Candidate's Card

Many people drive cars or ride motorbikes these days.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- a car journey you went on, and what happened
- whether teenagers should be allowed to drive cars or ride motorbikes, and why
- the idea that cars should be banned from all city centres
- the opinion that the car a person owns often reflects their personality
- the view that, in the future, nobody will have to learn to drive a car because all cars will be driverless.

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

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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 Eating at school

Candidate's Card

Many students take snacks to school or eat a meal there.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- what you eat at school, and why
- the advantages and disadvantages of having a school meal
- whether students should take snacks to school
- the view that students should decide what food is on the menu for school meals
- the opinion that schools should provide free meals for all their students.

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

When you have started the recording, given the candidate's name and number and welcomed the candidate, please read the following explanation to the candidate.

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N Birthday celebrations

Candidate's Card

Around the world, people celebrate their birthdays in different ways.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- how you celebrated your last birthday, and what happened
- what you would like to do for your next birthday party
- a famous person you would invite to your birthday celebration, and why
- the opinion that looking at the photos or videos of celebrations is as enjoyable as taking part in the celebrations
- the view that giving gifts is better than receiving them.

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O Fashion choices

Candidate's Card

People make decisions about what to wear every day.

Discuss this topic with the examiner.

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

- clothes and shoes you like to wear, and why
- the advantages and disadvantages of buying clothes and shoes online
- whether you can learn a lot about a person from the clothes and shoes they wear
- the view that only young people are interested in fashion
- the opinion that following fashion makes everyone look the same.

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

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