

SPEAKING – HIGHER LEVEL (C1)

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- You will do both tasks of the oral exam in pairs – or, sometimes, in groups of three.
- You will have time to read the instructions and information so as to concentrate on what you have to do / say before the oral exam takes place. You might want to take down a few notes / guidelines which you can have a brief look at during your performance.
- If you want your performance to be recorded you are kindly requested to let the examiners know in advance. Remember that you will be recorded anyway if one of you should want to.
- If you need any further information / explanation about the tasks, please ask the EOI staff in charge who will hand out the oral tasks prior to the exam.
- The exam consists of an **introduction and two tasks**:

INTRODUCTION You and your partner introduce yourselves briefly both to the examiners and to each other. No marks are given at this stage.	1 min.
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TASK 1: INDIVIDUAL LONG TURN You will be given a photograph and a fairly short text (approximately 150-200 words) that mentions one aspect of a topic. You do not need to summarise the text but you are expected to talk to the other candidate(s) about the topic, state your opinion, mention other aspects, justify your points of view... Candidate 1: Presentation Candidate 2: Presentation Candidates should listen carefully to their partner's presentation of the topic, as afterwards they will be asked their opinion about the issue.	TIME 3-4 min. 3-4 min.
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TASK 2: DISCUSSION You and your partner(s) will be given the same handout with photographs and information about a current issue. You are expected to discuss the topic with your partner(s). It is important to justify your points of view as well as to listen to what your partner(s) say and react (i.e. agree, disagree, add ideas, offer solutions or suggestions...) You are free to use both the information provided and the photographs for ideas...	TIME 7- 8 min.
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ASSESSMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The total score you can obtain for Section D, Speaking, is 30 marks, distributed as follows:- Task 1: 15 marks- Task 2: 15 marks You will have to get a minimum of 20 marks to pass this section.
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