

SPEAKING – INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

- You will do both tasks of the oral exam in pairs - or, sometimes, in groups of three.
- You will have time, 1 or 2 minutes depending on the task, to read the instructions and information so as to concentrate on what you have to do/say before each of the two tasks.
- If you want your performance to be recorded you are kindly requested to make sure your partner does not object to this and to let the examiners know in advance.
- If you need any further information / explanation about the tasks, please ask the examiners before starting.
- As soon as the time provided for task 1 is finished, the examiner will tell you to proceed to task 2. S/he will tell you when the exam time is over.
- The exam consists of an introduction and two tasks:

INTRODUCTION (No marks are given at this stage)

- You and your partner introduce yourselves briefly both to the examiners and to each other.

Task 1: WHAT CAN I SAY ABOUT THIS TOPIC?

EXAMPLE

- You will be given a photograph / graphic and/or a short text / key words.
- You will have two minutes to read and get ready for your performance.
- You are supposed to say what you know about the topic as well as give your opinion. (Maximum time: two minutes)
- When your time is up, your partner will be given his / her task and asked to start his / her performance in the same way.

Task 2: DIALOGUE.

EXAMPLE

- You and your partner will each be given a different sheet with information, ideas, diaries or plans...which you will have to discuss together.
- Before you start, you will both have one minute to look at the information supplied.
- With the help of the guidelines / information stated on your sheet, you and your partner should try to reach an agreement or a common viewpoint. (Maximum time: 4 minutes)

ASSESSMENT

- The maximum score you can obtain at this stage of the exam is 20 marks, distributed as follows:
 - Task 1: 8 marks
 - Task 2: 12 marks
- You will have to obtain at least 12 marks in order to pass.