International Spoken ESOL Access level – A2 8985-72-072 (EL-ISESOL 2) Practice Paper 1

City & Guilds

Interlocutor's Instructions

CHECK THAT THE RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING

Test time: 7 minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

PART 1 (2 minutes)

I: City & Guilds International Spoken ESOL Test, Access level, (give today's date).

(NB This introduction only needs to be recorded before the first candidate's test begins, not for subsequent candidates.)

(Give candidate's name.) Test begins. Hello. My name's (give full name). Can you spell your family name for me, please?

- C: (Spells family name.)
- I: Thank you. And where are you from?
- C: (Responds.)
- I: Thank you. Now, in the first part of the test I'm going to ask you some questions about yourself. All right? (Choose **up to five** questions, one from each of the different topic areas, as time allows. Name the topic; eg 'Now, House, home and environment.')

Topics

House, home and environment

- Where do you live?
- Can you tell me something about your neighbours?
- What kind of house do you like?
- Which is your favourite room in your home? Why?

Free time and entertainment

- What are you going to do next weekend?
- What kind of music do you like?
- Do you have any special hobbies or interests?
- How often do you watch TV?

Language

- When do you speak English?
- Can you tell me about your English class?
- When did you start to learn English?
- What English songs do you like?

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Shopping

- How often do you go shopping?
- Can you tell me about your favourite shop?
- Some people don't like shopping. What about you?
- Do you like shopping in supermarkets? Why/Why not?

Food and drink

- Which food is most popular in your area?
- How good at cooking are you?
- What kind of food do you like most?
- Is there any food you really dislike? Why?

C: (Responds.)

1: (Interlocutor makes **brief** responses and/or comments.)

I: Thank you.

PART 2 (1 minute 30 seconds)

I: Now, Part Two. I'm going to read some situations. First situation (choose one situation from **A**).

Α

- We're on a train. I stand on your foot. I start. Oh dear. I'm so sorry.
- I'm your friend. I start.

 Would you like to go to the cinema tonight?
- We're friends. I start. What are you going to do tomorrow?
- You're going to work in my restaurant. I start. When can you start work?

C: (Responds.)

- 1: (Role-play the situation with candidate approximately two turns each.)
- 1: Second situation (choose one situation from **B**).

В

- Your bag's really heavy. Ask me to help you. You start.
- You're in a restaurant. You want some water. Ask the waiter/waitress. You start.
- I give you an expensive gift for your birthday. What do you say? You start.
- I'm your English teacher. You don't understand the word 'shoulder'. Ask me. You start.

C: (Initiates.)

- 1: (Role-play situation with candidate approximately two turns each.)
- I: (Role-play a third situation from **A** or **B** if time allows.)
- I: Thank you.

PART 3 (1 minute 30 seconds)

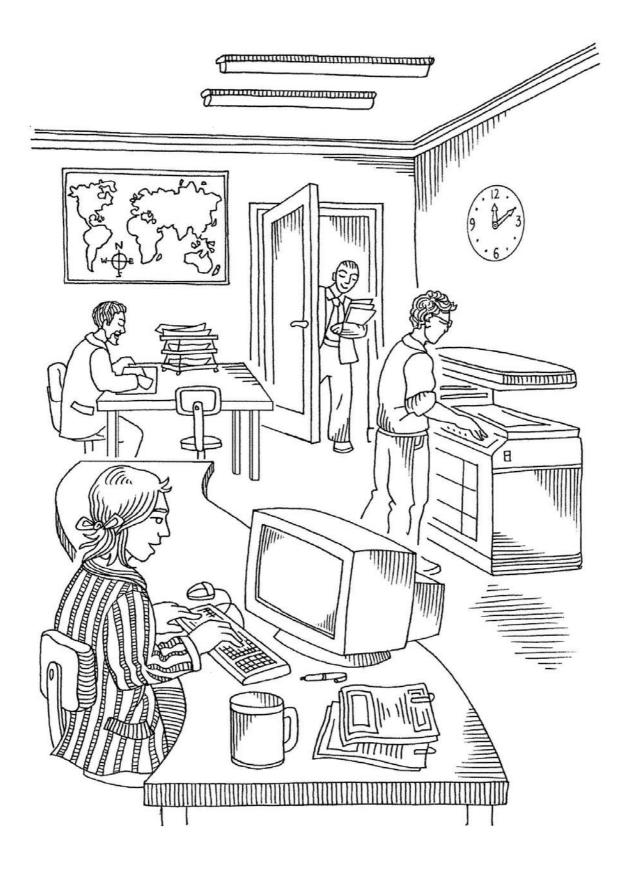
I: Now, Part Three. Here's a picture of an office. (Hand over candidate's copy of the task.) I also have a picture of an office. Some things are different. You and I must find the differences. All right? I start.

Interlocutor's Task Sheet



I: Thank you. (Retrieve candidate's task sheet.)

Candidate's Task Sheet (Interlocutor's copy)



PART 4 (2 minutes including follow-up questions)

I: In Part Four of the test you are going to talk on your own for about a minute. Your topic is *(choose topic for candidate).*

Topics

- A A journey you remember.
- B How to keep fit.
- C Your home town.
- I: First, think about it for thirty seconds and make some notes if you want. (Hand over piece of paper and pen/pencil.) So your topic is (repeat topic). All right? (Withdraw eye contact for thirty seconds. Leave tape/CD running.)
- I: (Candidate's name), please start.
- C: (Talks for about a minute.)
- 1: *(Choose follow-up questions.)*

Follow-up questions

A journey you remember.

- What kind of places do you like visiting?
- What important things do you take with you on a long journey?
- Do you prefer travelling alone or with other people?

How to keep fit.

- What kinds of food aren't very healthy?
- How much exercise do you take?
- Do you belong to any sports clubs?

Your home town.

- Do many tourists visit your town?
- Which part of the town do you live in?
- What is the countryside like around your town?
- I: Thank you. That's the end of the test. (Give candidate's name.) End of test.

Candidate's Task Sheet (Candidate's copy)

