

Interlocutor's instructions

**CHECK THAT THE RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING**

**Test time: 9 minutes**

I = Interlocutor      C = Candidate

**PART 1 (2 minutes)**

I: City & Guilds International Spoken ESOL Test, Achiever 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. 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, Types of accommodation'.)

**Topics**

**Types of accommodation**

- If I want to visit your town, where can I stay?
- What accommodation do you prefer on holiday?
- Describe different kinds of accommodation you have stayed in.
- Describe the best and worst accommodation you have ever stayed in.

**TV, radio, computer**

- About how much television do you watch each week?
- What kinds of programmes did you watch last week?
- Do you think television stops people studying? Why/Why not?
- Do you know which programmes you're going to watch next week?

**Leisure**

- What type of clubs do you belong to?
- Do you think it's a good idea to join a club? Why/Why not?
- Why do people join clubs?
- Do you think clubs are becoming more or less popular these days?

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**Health and body care**

- Describe some very common illnesses which people get.
- How often do you have a cough or catch a cold?
- Do you take any medicine when you have a cold? If so, what? If not, why not?
- What do you do to keep healthy?

**Shopping facilities**

- Describe the general shopping facilities in your town.
- How much do you like going out to do your shopping?
- Why do you think some people prefer to do their shopping on the Internet?
- What are some problems of shopping online?

C: *(Responds.)*

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

I: Thank you.

**PART 2 (2 minutes)**

I: Now, Part Two. I'm going to read some situations. I want you to start or respond as necessary. First situation (*choose one situation from A*).

**A**

- I'm a stranger and have just come to your door. I start.  
*Excuse me, does Robert Davidson live here?*
- I'm your friend. I'm thinking of going to the cinema tonight. I start.  
*There's a really good film on tonight. Would you like to see it?*
- I'm your friend. I start.  
*I'm really sorry but I can't come round to your house tonight.*
- I'm your boss. I start.  
*I have some good news. The company is going to raise your salary next month.*

C: (*Responds.*)

I: (*Role-play the situation with the candidate – approximately two turns each.*)

I: Second situation (*choose one situation from B*).

**B**

- I'm your friend waiting for you in a cafeteria. You arrive very late. You start.
- We're friends. We meet in the street. You're with a friend. You're not sure if I know this person. You start.
- I'm your teacher. You need more time to finish your homework project. You start.
- I'm a shop assistant. You're looking for a present for a friend. You start.

C: (*Initiates.*)

I: (*Role-play the situation with the candidate – approximately two turns each.*)

I: (*Role-play a third situation from A or B if time allows.*)

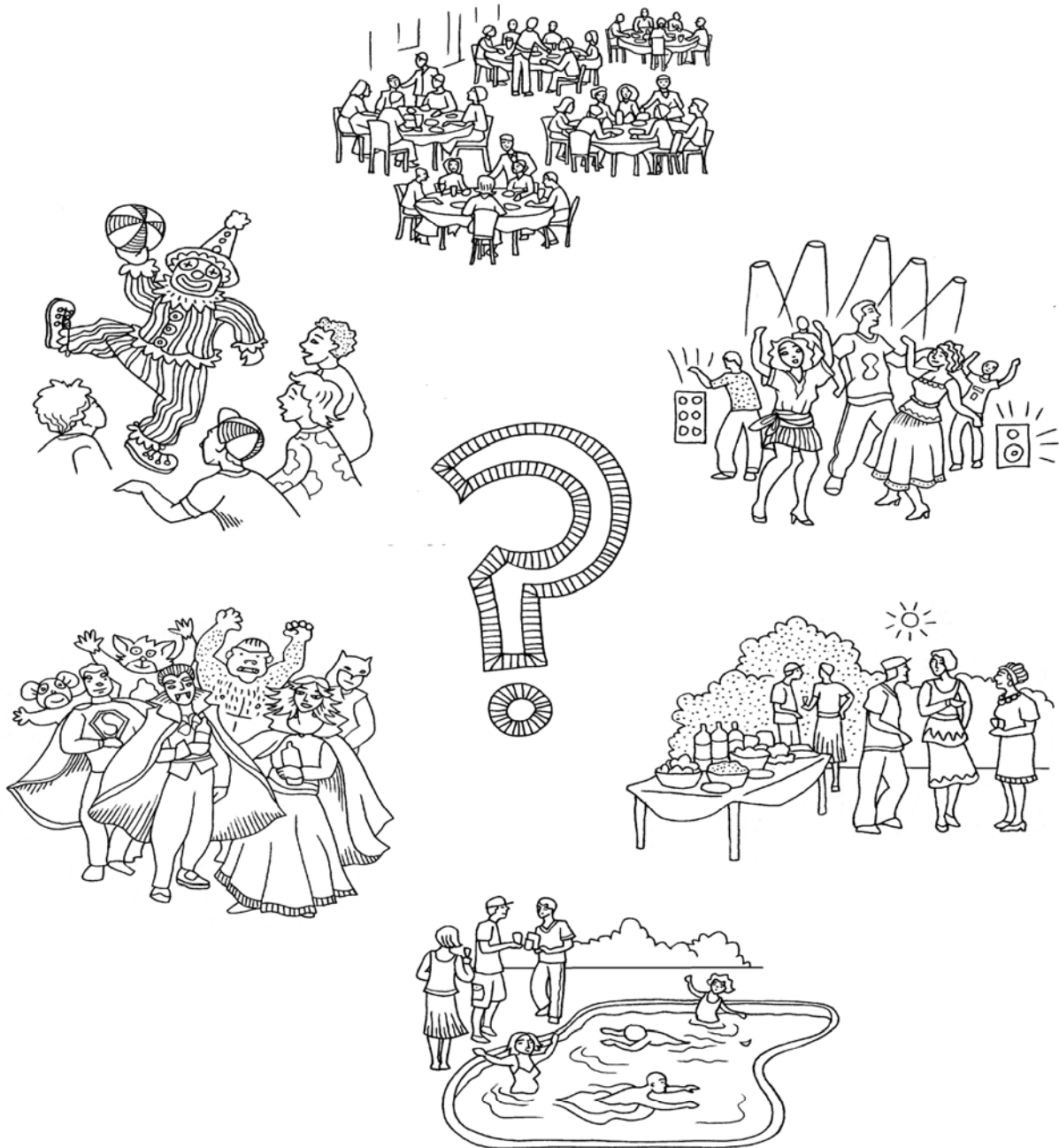
I: Thank you.

**PART 3 (2 minutes)**

I: Now, Part Three. In this part of the test we're going to discuss something together. All right?

We're friends and we are arranging a party for all our friends. We need to decide what kind of party we want. Here are some ideas. *(Hand over candidate's task sheet)*. Let's ask and answer questions to help us decide. I'll start.

**Interlocutor's Task Sheet**



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

**PART 4 (3 minutes including follow-up questions)**

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

**Topics**

**A Your street.**

**B Family life.**

**C A film you've seen recently.**

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.)*

I: *(Choose follow-up questions.)*

**Follow-up questions****Your street.**

- Describe some changes that have occurred in your street in recent years.
- How happy are you with the noise in your street?
- What would you like to change about your street?
- What kind of street is best to live in?

**Family life.**

- Describe your family.
- How important is your family to you? Why?
- What important changes have happened in your family life in recent years?
- What activities do you do together as a family?

**A film you've seen recently.**

- Why did you see this film?
- Do you remember the names of the actors or the director of the film?
- Where do you prefer to watch films? Why?
- What are your favourite kinds of films?

I: Thank you. That is the end of the test. *(Give candidate's name.)* End of test.

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**Candidate's Task Sheet for Part Three (Candidate's copy)**

