

**LanguageCert
Preliminary A1
Entry Level 1
International ESOL (Speaking)
Practice Paper 4**

Interlocutor's instructions

CHECK THAT THE DIGITAL RECORDER IS ON AND WORKING

Test time: 6 minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

PART 1 (1 minute 30 seconds)

I: LanguageCert International Spoken ESOL Exam, Preliminary level, *(give today's date)*.

(Give candidate's name.) Exam begins.

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

C: *(Spells family name.)*

I: Thank you. Which country are you from?

C: *(Responds.)*

I: Thank you. Now, Part One. I'm going to ask you some questions about yourself. ***(Choose up to five questions from the list as time allows.)***

Questions

- Where do you live now?
- Where do you work/study?
- What do you do in your free time?
- What's your first language?
- What's your phone number?
- What food do you like?
- Can you tell me something about your friends?
- When's your birthday?
- How do you travel to work/college?
- What's the weather like today?

C: *(Responds.)*

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

I: Thank you.

PART 2 (1 minute)

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

A

- We're friends. I start.
Would you like to go to the cinema?
- We're friends. I start.
Do you like swimming?
- I work in a post office. You want some stamps. I start.
Can I help you?
- I'm your teacher. I start.
Where's your homework please?

C: (*Responds.*)

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

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

B

- I work in a clothes shop. You want to know the price of a coat. You start.
- You are in a new town. You want to find the bank. You start.
- We're friends. We meet in the street. You start.
- You're having a party. You want to invite me. 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.

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PART 3 (1 minute 30 seconds)

- I: Now, Part Three. Here's a picture of a shop. *(Hand over candidate's copy of the task.)*
I have a different picture of a shop. Let's ask and answer questions about the two pictures. I start.

Interlocutor's task sheet

The shop

Picture A



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

Candidate's Task Sheet (Interlocutor's copy)

The shop

Picture B



PART 4 (2 minutes including follow-up questions)

- I: In Part Four you are going to talk about something for half a minute. You are going to talk about (*choose topic for candidate*).

Topics

- A What you do in the evenings**
- B Your family**
- C The clothes you like**

- I: (*Hand over piece of paper and pen/pencil.*) You now have thirty seconds to write some notes to help you. You are going to talk about (*repeat topic*). (*Withdraw eye contact for thirty seconds. Leave recorder running.*)
- I: (*Candidate's name*), please start.
- C: (*Talks.*)
- I: (*When candidate has talked for a maximum of half a minute, say, 'Thank you', and then ask some follow-up questions.*)

Follow-up questions

What you do in the evenings

- What time do you have dinner?
- Do you go out with your friends in the evening?
- How do you relax at home?

Your family

- Do you live with your family?
- What things do you do together?
- Where do you go with your family?

The clothes you like

- Where do you buy your clothes?
- What's your favourite colour? Why?
- Do you spend much money on clothes?

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

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

The shop

Picture B

