

Interlocutor's instructions

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Test time: 12 minutes

I = Interlocutor C = Candidate

PART 1 (3 minutes)

I: City & Guilds International Spoken ESOL Exam, Achiever 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, one from each of the different topic areas, as time allows. Name the topic; eg 'Now, **Daily life**'.)

Topics

Daily life

- What did you have for dinner last night?
- How much time do you spend with your friends?
- What do you usually do when you want to relax?
- What will you do when you get home today?

Language

- How do you practise English outside the classroom?
- What do you find most difficult about learning a language?
- How will you use English in the future?
- What have you enjoyed most about learning English?

Leisure

- How much free time do you have?
- Which do you prefer, indoor or outdoor activities?
- Do you prefer spending your free time alone or with friends?
- Which is your favourite leisure activity?

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Internet

- How often do you use the Internet?
- How do you use the Internet to help you with your studies?
- Tell me about your favourite website.
- How often do you send emails?

House and home

- Can you tell me about the area where you live?
- How long have you lived in your home?
- Can you tell me about your neighbours?
- What would you like to change about your town?

C: *(Responds.)*

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

I: Thank you.

PART 2 (3 minutes)

I: Now, Part Two. We are going to role-play some situations. I want you to start or respond. First situation (*choose one situation from A*).

A

- I'm your friend. I start.
How about going out for a meal tonight?
- I've just started to work in your office. I start.
Hello. Can you tell me where I can get some water?
- I'm your boss. I asked you to write a report for me last week. I start.
So, why haven't you given me the report yet?
- We're strangers on a train. You are reading a newspaper. I start.
Excuse me. Do you think I could have a look at your newspaper, 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'm a waiter. You've just finished your lunch. You start.
- I'm your friend. We have arranged to go out together tonight but you can't come. You start.
- I'm your teacher. You haven't done your homework. You start.
- I'm your boss. You want to take a day off work next week. You start.

C: (*Initiates.*)

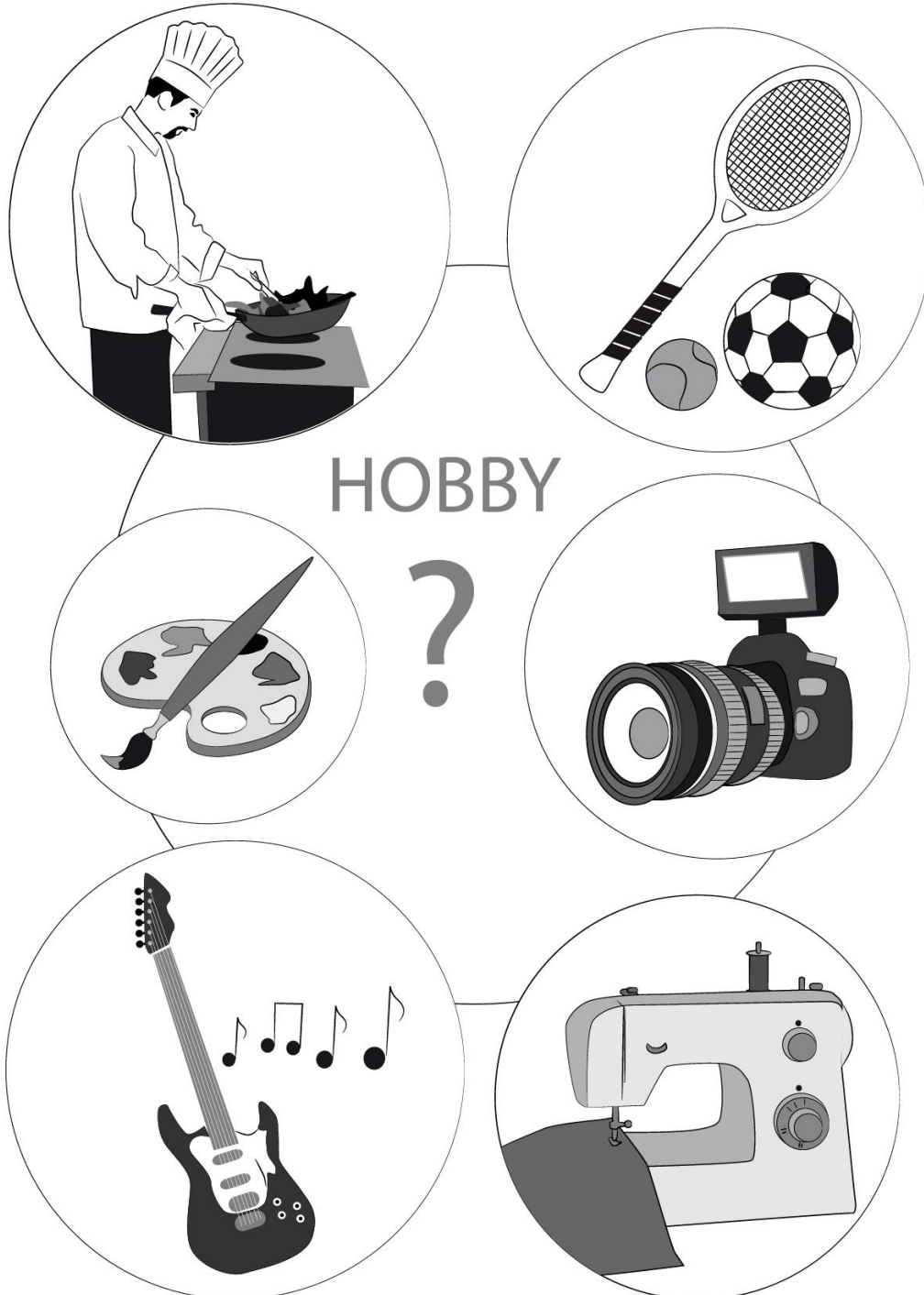
I: (*Role-play the situation with the candidate – approximately two turns each.*)

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

I: Thank you.

PART 3 (3 minutes)

I: Now, Part Three. In this part of the test we're going to discuss something together. All right? We want to take a course together in our free time but we haven't decided what to study yet. 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 about something for one and a half minutes. Your topic is *(choose topic for candidate)*.

Topics

A Popular sports in your country

B The happiest day of your life

C Your favourite restaurant

I: You now have thirty seconds to write some notes to help you. *(Hand over piece of paper and pen/pencil.)* So your topic is *(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 one minute, say, 'Thank you', and then ask some follow-up questions.)*

Follow-up questions**Popular sports in your country**

- What sport do you think will be popular in the future?
- What sports do you play to keep healthy?
- Which is better – playing or watching sport?
- Do you think professional sportsmen earn too much?

The happiest day of your life

- Did you take any photographs to remember this special day?
- Are you happier in the summer or in winter?
- Do you keep a diary or a blog of what you do?
- What events are you looking forward to in the future?

Your favourite restaurant

- When do you plan to go to this restaurant again?
- How often do you eat out?
- Do you like restaurants where they play background music?
- How important is it to learn to cook?

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)

