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**Annual Examinations for Primary Schools 2021
SPECIMEN PAPER**

Year 5

ENGLISH (Speaking)

Time: 8 minutes

Teacher’s Paper

Guidelines for the conduct of the Speaking Examination

In order to deliver the test equally to all candidates, the teacher should follow the guidelines and procedures for the Speaking Examination as indicated in the Teacher’s Paper.

Students are to be examined individually, not in pairs. The speaking exam lasts approximately 8 minutes and comprises four parts.

Tasks		Resources	Duration	Marks	Weighting
1	Warmer		1 minute	Not assessed	
2	Visual Prompt	· Visual Prompts 1 & 2	3 minutes	5 marks	12%
3	Inverted Interview	· Visual Prompts 3 & 4	2 minutes	5 marks	
4	Role Play	· Visual Prompt 5 · Prompt Card	2 minutes	10 marks	

The teacher should adhere strictly to these guidelines and keep to the prescribed timings for all parts of the examination. If the student is unable to sustain his/her turn for the time stipulated, the teacher should proceed to the next stage of the examination. The teacher cannot paraphrase the questions but can repeat the questions to the student if the student shows signs of not understanding. The teacher should also refer closely to the marking criteria for the Speaking assessment, to arrive at a fair and reliable assessment of the student’s ability to use spoken English.

The teacher should create a non-intimidating atmosphere so as to encourage students to perform to the best of their ability. The appropriate seating arrangement for the speaking examination is illustrated below.



The teacher conducting the exam should sit in front of the student or at an adjacent side. The teacher should sit near enough to see and hear everything clearly while at the same time not too close to the student to appear intimidating.

TASK 1 – WARMER (1 minute) - Not Assessed

For this part of the speaking examination, the students may come prepared.

The teacher greets the student and asks him/her to take a seat. The teacher says:

Good morning. What is your name please?

Tell me something about yourself.

You may start.

The student should roughly speak for one minute. The teacher prompts the student if/when needed. It is important to maintain an informal and relaxed atmosphere so that the student feels at ease.

Prompts for Task 1 (Warmer) - Talk about yourself.

You may wish to talk about:

- **your age**
- **your town or village**
- **your family**
- **your friends**
- **your home**
- **your school**
- **your free time activities**
- **your likes and dislikes**

TASK 2 - VISUAL PROMPT (3 minutes) – 5 marks

The teacher places Visual Prompt 1 in front of the student and says:

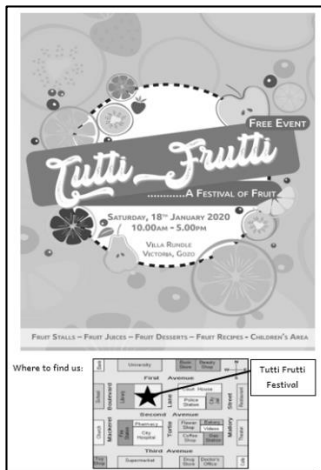
This picture is related to Feasts and Celebrations. Now I want you to look at this picture for 30 seconds and then I am going to ask you some questions about it.

The teacher proceeds by asking the following questions. The teacher should not ask any other questions or improvise. The teacher may or may not use all the questions, depending on the length of the student's answers.

The teacher proceeds by asking the following questions:

1	What is the first thing you notice when you see this picture?
2	This is an advert for an event. What do you think this event is about?
3	What kinds of things do you expect to see and do at such an event?
4	Would you be interested in going to this event? Why?
5	Do you usually attend such events? With whom do you usually go?
6	Can you tell me about a similar event you have attended?
7	Would you recommend this event to your friends and family? What would you tell them?
8	How can you get there from the bank? (Teacher points to the bank on the map.)

Teachers are to use **one** visual prompt per student.



Task 2 - Visual Prompt 1



Task 2 - Visual Prompt 2

TASK 3 – INVERTED INTERVIEW (2 minutes) – 5 marks

The teacher places visual prompt 3 in front of the student and says:

This picture is related to Sports and Arts. I want you to look at this picture for 30 seconds. Ask me questions about the picture and I will answer them. You may start.

If a student does not know what to ask, the teacher can use prompts such as:

Prompts for Task 3 (Inverted Interview)

You may wish to ask me about:

- the place
- the situation
- the relationship between these young people
- their feelings at this moment
- the moment just before the picture was taken
- what happened after the picture was taken
- what their friends said to them afterwards
- their hobbies
- their free time
- their family
- my opinion of the situation

Teacher is to use **one** visual prompt per student.



Task 3 - Visual Prompt 3



Task 3 - Visual Prompt 4

TASK 4 – ROLE PLAY (2 minutes) – 10 marks

The teacher places visual prompt 5 in front of the student and says:

For this task imagine you are at a restaurant. I am the waiter who is going to serve you. Let's start.

The teacher proceeds by strictly following the prompt card.

Prompt Card for Task 4 (Role Play)	
Waiter (teacher):	Good morning.
Customer (student) :	Greet the waiter and ask for the menu.
Waiter:	Here you are. What would you like to drink?
Customer:	Ask what drinks are available.
Waiter:	We have a wide selection of warm and hot drinks.
Customer:	Choose a drink.
Waiter:	Are you ready to order your food?
Customer:	Agree and order your food from the menu.
Waiter:	Would you like anything else?
Customer:	Agree and choose food from the menu OR disagree.
Waiter:	Yes, sure. I'll be back with your order shortly.
Customer:	Thank the waiter.

BREAKFAST	SALADS	PIZZA
Toast with ham and cheese, €2.50	Chicken salad €6.00	Margherita (tomato sauce, mozzarella) €5.00
Cheese and ham omelette €4.00	Salmon salad €7.00	Funghi (tomato sauce, mushroom, mozzarella) €6.00
Pancake with nutella or fruit €6.00	Vegetarian salad €5.00	Capriciosa (tomato sauce, sausages, ham, olives, eggs, mozzarella) €7.00
Full English breakfast €8.00	PASTA	
	Tortellini with white cream €6.50	
	Ravioli with tomato sauce €6.50	BEVERAGES
WRAPS (served with crisps)	Spaghetti with tomato sauce €6.00	Soft drinks €1.50
	MEAT (served with chips and salad)	
Chicken wrap €7.00	Chicken burger €6.50	Iced tea €1.50
Roast beef wrap €8.00	Beef burger €7.00	Fresh juices €2.00
Vegetarian wrap €6.00	Chicken nuggets €5.00	Milkshake €2.00
Pulled pork wrap €8.00	Meat balls €5.00	Coffee €1.50
		Cappuccino €2.00
		Hot Chocolate €2.00

Task 4 -Visual Prompt 5

At the end of Task 4, the teacher says:

Thank you. This is the end of the Speaking Examination.