

Speaking Examination at a glance

The examination should be conducted in the following order:

- Two role-plays
- Conversation Topic 1 (CCEA pre-release)
- Conversation Topic 2

Time allowed:

10 minutes supervised preparation time for the two role-plays.

The Speaking examination should last between 7 – 12 minutes [maximum time permitted].

The use of a dictionary is **not** permitted at any time during the examination and this includes the 10 minutes supervised preparation time.

• The examination will consist of:

(a) 2 (unseen) role-play cards [both taken from **one** of the two Contexts for Learning not covered in (b)];

(b) one pre-prepared conversation topic [Conversation Topic 1 title pre-released by CCEA and prepared by the candidate in advance]; and

(c) one teacher-led conversation topic [Conversation Topic 2 selected by the teacher from the Context for Learning not covered in (a) and (b) above].

Role-play 1 10 marks (up to 2 minutes)

Role-play 2 10 marks (up to 2 minutes)

Each set of cards for each Session contains two role-plays from the same Context for Learning. Teachers must present the two sets of role-play cards face-down so that the scenarios are unseen.

Teachers must alternate the sets of cards during each day.

Conversation: Topic 1 20 marks (up to 4 minutes)

- The candidate engages in a conversation on the prepared topic (title set by CCEA).
 - Please note this is one topic within the Context, not the entire Context.
 - This should be a conversation, not a series of mini presentations.

Conversation: Topic 2 20 marks (up to 4 minutes)

- In response to questions from the teacher, the candidate engages in a conversation on a topic taken from the remaining Context for Learning.
 - Please note this is one topic within the Context, not the entire Context.

Total available marks = 60

All three Contexts are covered during the examination.

Conversation 1 and 2 will cover a topic within the Context, not the entire Context.

For further information, please ensure you read the Teacher's Booklet Speaking in the Specimen Assessment Materials. There are Questions and Answers in the Clarification Document on the microsite under Support, General and Clarification Document.