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# English Speaking Examination Term 1 2018/19 Grade 9 General 5 – 7 minutes

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# **Speaking Part 1**

Please note: Part One should last 2 - 2.5 minutes, but no longer than 2.5 minutes. Move on to Part Two once this amount of time has passed.

Teacher's s	cript	
Teacher:	Good morning / afternoon. My name is  He / She is just going	
	Now, what's your full name?	
30	Thank you.	
61 <u>.11.</u> 96	And what's your full name?	
	Thank you.	
	In this first part, I'm going to ask each of you so about things you have learned in class.	me questions

- Choose from any of the questions below at random (for example, 4, 1, 3). Try and get a range of curriculum topics in each exam.
- Remember to consider the topic / theme in Part 2 and avoid asking questions that relate to that topic / theme in Part 1.
- Ask Student A the initial question.
- If they cannot answer the initial question, ask the back-up question (in brackets underneath the question). This counts as support in the rubric.
- After Student A answers, ask them the follow-up question.
- After Student A answers the follow-up question, ask Student B 'And you?' or 'What do you think?'
- After this response, ask Student B a new initial question and repeat the process; alternate between Student A and Student B.
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	Initial / Back-up question		Follow-up question
1	How do you help at home?  [Do you help in the kitchen?]	1A	What do you do in your living room?
2	What is your daily routine? [What do you do every day?]	2A	What do you like doing at the weekend?
3	What is your room like? [What is in your room?]	ЗА	Which room in your home do you like the most?
4	What do you and your family usually do in the morning?  [What time do you wake up in the morning?]	4A	How are your school days different from weekends?
5	Which things at home are very important to you? [What things do you use at home?]	5A	What things do you have now that people didn't have in the past?
6	What shapes are cans and boxes? [What shapes can you see every day?]	6A	What three things would be on your shopping list?
7	What food does your family buy every week?  [What can you buy in a supermarket?]	7A	What did you buy when you last went to a supermarket?
8	What clothes or accessories do you buy for yourself?  [Do you buy your own clothes?]	8A	What clothes don't you like?

	Initial / Back-up question		Follow-up question
9	What object do you like because it has a nice design?  [Do you have something with a good design?]	9A	Do you prefer clothes that are comfortable or beautiful?
10	How do you imagine life in the future?  [Will life in the future be better?]	10A	What new things will you have in the future?
11	Why are rainforests important? [What are rainforests?]	11A	What do you do to help protect nature?
12	Tell me about wildlife in the UAE.  [Which animals live in the UAE?]	12A	Why are wild animals in danger?
13	Tell me about the food chain.  [What do different animals eat?]	13A	What happens when people cut down forests?
14	What happens in photosynthesis? [How do plants make oxygen?]	14A	Why do we need forests?
15	Why do people go on a safari? [What can you see on a safari?]	15A	What is your favourite animal?
16	What famous buildings would you like to see?  [What is a famous building in the UAE?]	16A	What interesting things can you see in your Emirate?

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	Initial / Back-up question		Follow-up question
17	Describe a normal home in the UAE.  [Do you think your home is usual?]	17A	Would you like to live in a high-rise building?
18	Describe your last visit to a museum.  [Do you like going to museums?]	18A	How were homes in the past different?
19	What was your first school like? [Did you like your first school?]	19A	How were schools in the past different?
20	Tell me about your home. [What is your home like?]	20A	Describe your dream home.

Teacher: Thank you. This is the end of Part 1.

## Teacher's script

Teacher: Now, in this next part, I would like you to talk about something together

for about 2.5 minutes.

You are planning a school project about things teenagers like using.

Please note: Allow students to continue their discussion based on the prompt above for as long as they can. Use the follow-up prompts to help students continue their discussion if necessary. Part 2 should last no longer than 2.5 minutes.

#### Follow-up prompts

**Prompt 1** Talk about things you often use in school.

**Prompt 2** Talk about things that you keep in your room.

**Prompt 3** Say what things you like because of their design.

Please note: Use any of the back-up questions if students have difficulty in starting their conversation or extending their answers from the prompts above.

#### **Back-up questions**

**Question 1** What things do you need in school?

**Question 2** What things do you use at home?

**Question 3** What things do you have that look nice?

## Teacher's script

Teacher: Now, in this next part, I would like you to talk about something together

for about 2.5 minutes.

You are planning a school project about the most useful invention in

the world.

Please note: Allow students to continue their discussion based on the prompt above for as long as they can. Use the follow-up prompts to help students continue their discussion if necessary. Part 2 should last no longer than 2.5 minutes.

## Follow-up prompts

**Prompt 1** Talk about inventions that have changed the way we

travel.

**Prompt 2** Talk about inventions that help us at home.

Prompt 3 Talk about things that help us learn.

Please note: Use any of the back-up questions if students have difficulty in starting their conversation or extending their answers from the prompts above.

#### **Back-up questions**

**Question 1** Are more cars more important than planes?

**Question 2** What is more useful: a lightbulb or a fridge?

**Question 3** Do you prefer studying on a computer or a mobile phone?

## Teacher's script

Teacher: Now, in this next part, I would like you to talk about something together

for about 2.5 minutes.

You are planning a school project about living in cities in the future.

Please note: Allow students to continue their discussion based on the prompt above for as long as they can. Use the follow-up prompts to help students continue their discussion if necessary. Part 2 should last no longer than 2.5 minutes.

## Follow-up prompts

**Prompt 1** Say what you think about buildings in the future.

**Prompt 2** Decide how people will travel in the future.

**Prompt 3** Discuss the future problems in cities.

Please note: Use any of the back-up questions if students have difficulty in starting their conversation or extending their answers from the prompts above.

#### **Back-up questions**

**Question 1** Will buildings in the future be different?

**Question 2** Will people use cars in the future?

**Question 3** How many people will live in cities?

## Teacher's script

Teacher: Now, in this next part, I would like you to talk about something together

for about 2.5 minutes.

I'd like you to decide on the best place you can visit in the UAE.

Please note: Allow students to continue their discussion based on the prompt above for as long as they can. Use the follow-up prompts to help students continue their discussion if necessary. Part 2 should last no longer than 2.5 minutes.

## Follow-up prompts

**Prompt 1** Decide which cities you would like to visit.

**Prompt 2** Decide where you can see interesting buildings.

**Prompt 3** Discuss where you can go to see nature.

Please note: Use any of the back-up questions if students have difficulty in starting their conversation or extending their answers from the prompts above.

#### **Back-up questions**

**Question 1** Would you like to visit a city in another country?

**Question 2** Where can you see interesting museums?

**Question 3** Where can you go on a safari?

# Grade 9 Speaking Rubric

expands on them in an appropriate manner, without the examiner to repeat or explain questions.  3		Communicative success	Range and accuracy of language	Pronunciation	Fluency
Does not need the examiner to repeat or or explain questions.     Shows they can maintain effective interaction – safing extra unprompted questions to their colleague, involving them if needed, and staying on topic. Their contribution allows Part 2 to flow for the full 3 minutes.  3    Answers all questions dearly without the need for back-up questions, secrept for possibly one or two, and expands unprompted on the majority of them.     Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.     Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.     Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.     Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.     Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.     Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation of the full through	4	Support required from examiner     Interaction maintenance      Answers all questions clearly and expands on them in an appropriate	structures  Range of vocabulary  Effect of errors  Uses a range of verb forms and clause types in an	syllables, words Rhythm and stress Intonation Pronunciation is sufficiently clear to understand	• Pace
the need for back-up questions, except for possibly one or two, and expands unprompted on the majority of them.  Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.  Helps the interaction in Part 2 to be some onth-flowing with just one or two importance way though may need back-up questions. Sometimes does not expand without asking whylywhar??  Needs support from the examiner for several questions, through some complex with part one or two importance way though may need back-up questions. Sometimes does not expand without asking whylywhar??  Needs support from the examiner for several questions, through may need back-up questions, through may need back-up questions, through some repetition and explanation.  Occasionally disrupts the flow of interaction in Part 2 by perhaps not asking enough questions, not involving their colleague or not going relevant or sufficiently expanded responses.  1 Only answers half or less of the questions appropriately, even with back-up and support.  Requires a lot of explanation and prompting, which means the interaction on with their colleague through Part 2.  While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex were forms, subordination or vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  *While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex were forms, subordination or vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  *While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex were forms, subordination or vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  *While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex were forms, subordination or vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  *While basic sentence form inaccurate.  *While basic sentence form inaccurate.  **Only answers half or less of the questions appropriately, even with back of appropriate with the listener.  **A few examples of appropriate with the listener.  **Only answers hal		<ul> <li>Does not need the examiner to repeat or explain questions.</li> <li>Shows they can maintain effective interaction – asking extra unprompted questions to their colleague, involving them in the discussion or supporting them if needed, and staying on topic. Their contribution allows Part 2 to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Uses a range of vocabulary, including precise topic-related words and phrases from the Grade, throughout.</li> <li>Only makes a few minor errors that have no effect on</li> </ul>	stress patterns throughout.  The candidate uses intonation	Uses a clear but natural pace
appropriate way though may need back-up questions. Sometimes does not expand without asking 'why/what?'.  Needs support from the examiner for several questions, through some repetition and explanation. Cocasionally disrupts the flow of interaction in Part 2 by perhaps not asking enough questions, not involving their colleague or not giving relevant or sufficiently expanded responses.  While basic sand more complex vocabulary/grammar that impede communication at some points.  While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  Raptopriate way though may need back-up questions. Sometimes does not expand without asking enough questions, some isolated examples of more complex to consistent problems with specific phonemes.  Rhythm and stress patterns may be inappropriate at times, leading to occasional difficulty understanding.  A few examples of appropriate use of intonation but not maintained throughout the test.  While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  While basic sentence forms may be accurate, any evidence of more complex vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  Consistently reneous grammar and/or vocabulary makes following the speech is generally easy to understand but there may be consistent problems with specific phonemes.  Rhythm and stress patterns may be inappropriate at times, leading to occasional difficulty understanding.  A few examples of appropriate use of intonation but not maintained throughout the test.  While basic sentence forms significant patience and effort from the listener, due to mispronunciation of many phonemes and/or consistent problems with specific phonemes.  Pronunciation requires significant patience and effort from the listener, due to mispronunciation of many phonemes and/or consistent problems with specific phonemes.  Pronunciation requires significant patience and effort from the listener.  Each t	3	the need for back-up questions, except for possibly one or two, and expands unprompted on the majority of them.  Needs support from the examiner one or two times, through some repetition and explanation.  Helps the interaction in Part 2 to be smooth-flowing with just one or two lapses caused by e.g. an overly long turn, an irrelevant or insufficient response or not helping their	and clause types, though sometimes inaccurately.  Uses some examples of precise topic-related vocabulary from the Grade though not for all topics. May be repetitive with one or two words.  One or two errors in complex vocabulary and/or grammar may render the meaning of	clear to understand, possibly apart from a few isolated words.  Uses clear rhythm and stress patterns for utterances, with one or two lapses.  The candidate uses intonation and stress appropriately throughout most of the test, possibly with one or two	speaking English, with some examples of hesitation with more complex language/responses.  Uses a natural pace of speaking for most utterances, but occasionally quite slow in more complex turns.  Pace of speaking may be overly fast which can impede
questions appropriately, even with back-up and support.  • Requires a lot of explanation and prompting, which means the interaction doesn't flow.  • Lacks the skills to maintain a smoothflowing and shared interaction with their colleague through Part 2.  may be accurate, any evidence of more complex verb forms, subordination or vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  • Consistently erroneous grammar and/or vocabulary makes following the speech  may be accurate, any evidence of more complex verb forms, subordination or vocabulary and subordination or vocabulary evidence of more complex verb forms, subordination or wocabulary on mispronunciation of many phonemes and/or consistent lack of appropriate word or sentence stress.  • Consistently erroneous grammar and/or vocabulary makes following the speech	2	appropriate way though may need back-up questions. Sometimes does not expand without asking 'why/what?'.  Needs support from the examiner for several questions, through some repetition and explanation.  Occasionally disrupts the flow of interaction in Part 2 by perhaps not asking enough questions, not involving their colleague or not giving relevant or sufficiently expanded	grammatical structures but some isolated examples of more complex verb forms and clauses.  Uses a limited range of vocabulary, with only one or two uses of more complex topic-relevant vocabulary from the Grade. Is noticeably repetitive with certain vocabulary.  Makes occasional errors in both basic and more complex vocabulary/grammar that impede communication at	speech is generally easy to understand but there may be consistent problems with specific phonemes.  Rhythm and stress patterns may be inappropriate at times, leading to occasional difficulty understanding.  A few examples of appropriate use of intonation but not maintained	confident in speaking English, but often seems hesitant when not on more basic topics.  Often speaks slowly or in a stilted fashion compared to
Non-assessed: Student absent, evidence of cheating or nothing of meaning communicated.	1	questions appropriately, even with back-up and support.  Requires a lot of explanation and prompting, which means the interaction doesn't flow.  Lacks the skills to maintain a smoothflowing and shared interaction with their colleague through Part 2.	may be accurate, any evidence of more complex verb forms, subordination or vocabulary is almost universally lacking or inaccurate.  Consistently erroneous grammar and/or vocabulary makes following the speech difficult.	significant patience and effort from the listener, due to mispronunciation of many phonemes and/or consistent lack of appropriate word or sentence stress.  Rarely uses any appropriate intonation patterns (beyond one or two isolated examples)	English with frequent hesitation during answers.  Pace and rhythm require considerable patience from the listener.