

## Skills for Life Speaking & Listening Entry 3: Test guidance for teachers



Start: Greet the candidate and start with task 1.

#### Task 1: Candidate's photo or object (up to 3 minutes)

Ask the candidate to show you their photo or object representing a past event (e.g. a celebration, a day out or a souvenir). The bank of photos is available at: <a href="https://resources.trinitycollege.com/esol/photos">https://resources.trinitycollege.com/esol/photos</a>

- Ask the candidate questions to find out about their picture, elicit Entry 2 language and prevent recitation.
- Give the candidate the opportunity to speak in longer turns so they can give a short account, explanation or description.

Teacher language for task 1	Candidate language for task 1	Criteria assessed in task 1
A range of wh-, yes/no and	Give an account, explanation or	2.2 – Language
comparative questions	description of person, place or thing:	3.1 – Provide information
Past simple	Past simple	3.2 – Verbal account
Modals: could, must, have to	Modals: could, must, have to	(See Specifications p9 for full
Adjectives	Adjectives	Assessment Criteria)
	(See Specifications pp10-13 for	
	Amplification)	

End task 1 and move on to task 2

#### Task 2: Teacher's photo (up to 2 minutes)

Show the candidate your photo (e.g. of a place in the UK you are planning to visit, a house you are moving to etc). Examples are available from: <a href="https://learn.trinitycollege.co.uk/sfl/tags/photos">https://learn.trinitycollege.co.uk/sfl/tags/photos</a>

- Introduce the photo briefly using 'going to' or present continuous for the future.
- Tell the candidate to ask you some questions about your photo.
- During task 2, use at least one extended turn to talk about an aspect of the photo so that the candidate's listening skills can be accurately assessed.

Teacher language for task 2	Candidate language for task 2	Criteria assessed in task 2
Use 'going to' and present	Ask questions using:	1.1 – Listening
continuous to give information	Present continuous and 'going to' for	2.2 – Language (ask questions
about the future	future	and make requests)
Make statements to give an	Respond appropriately to statements	(See Specifications p9 for full
account, explanation or	to show understanding	Assessment Criteria)
description	Ask for clarification and confirm	
Use comparative adjectives	understanding	
(See sample video for conducting	(See Specifications pp10-13 for	
Entry 2 task 2)	Amplification)	

End task 2 and move on to task 3

#### Task 3: Role play (up to 3 minutes)

Tell the candidate the role play situation: "You want a library card. I work in the library."

- Begin the role play by saying "Hello, how can I help?" and exchange information with the candidate.
- During task 3, ensure the candidate has the opportunity to ask questions.

Teacher language for task 3	Candidate language for task 3	Criteria assessed in task 3
Give factual information in the	Give personal/factual information in	2.1 – Pronunciation
present/past/future as required	the past/present/future	3.1 – Provide information
Ask relevant questions to elicit	Ask questions	4.3 Obtain information (ask
factual/personal information	Ask for clarification	questions)
Respond to questions using Entry	(See Specifications pp10-13 for	(See Specifications p9 for full
2 language	Amplification)	Assessment Criteria)
(See sample videos for conducting		
Entry 2 role play)		



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### Task 4: Group Discussion (5 minutes – 2 candidates)

Ask the candidates to talk about one of the discussion topics.

Guide the conversation to ensure each candidate has the opportunity to contribute and meet all the assessment criteria, e.g. by asking What do you think, X? Can you ask X a question?

Entry 2 discussion topics	Criteria assessed in Group Discussion	
Interesting places to visit	4.1 – Make appropriate contributions (follow	
Free time activities	discussion, indicate agreement/disagreement, link	
Your plans for the future	contribution to other speaker)	
Celebrations and special occasions	4.2 – Express views (likes, dislikes, views, opinions,	
Interesting jobs	reasons)	
Technology	4.3 – Obtain information (ask questions, show interest	
Rules and regulations	in responses, ask for clarification)	
	(See Specifications p9 for full Assessment Criteria)	
	(See Specifications pp10-13 for Amplification)	

End the discussion