



ESOL Skills
for Life

ESB Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life

(Speaking and Listening)
(Entry 1)
Assessor Booklet: Set D



Task 1 – Exchange of Personal Information

Guide time: 4 minutes in total

- Assessor greets candidates and introduces him / herself
- Assessor invites candidates to ask each other personal information questions
- Candidate **A** asks Candidate **B** personal information questions
- Candidate **B** asks Candidate **A** personal information questions
- Assessor asks Candidates **A** and **B** personal information questions
- Candidates and assessor have a short discussion

Assessor's questions (to be used after candidates' exchange of personal information)

Family

- Do you have any children (or brothers and sisters if not married)?
- What is your son's / daughter's / brother's / sister's favourite food?
- Does she or he work / which school does she or he go to?

Home

- Where do you live?
- Do you live in a house or a flat?
- Tell me about the buses / trains near your house / flat?

Hobbies / Leisure

- Do you have a hobby? What do you like doing?
- When do you do it?
- What do you like watching on the television?

Work / study

- What job do you want?
- When do you come to college / this centre?
- What do you do at college / this centre?

Task 2 – Unprepared Talk

Guide time: 4 minutes in total

- Assessor gives Candidate **A** a topic to talk about for about 1 minute
- Assessor asks Candidate **B** to listen and to ask Candidate **A** two questions after the talk
- Candidate **A** gives a 1 minute talk to Assessor and Candidate **B**
- Candidate **B** asks Candidate **A** two questions about the talk (Assessor may prompt Candidate **B**)
- Assessor may ask Candidate **A** further questions related to the talk
- Assessor gives Candidate **B** a topic to talk about for about 1 minute
- Assessor asks Candidate **A** to listen and to ask Candidate **B** two questions after the talk
- Candidate **B** gives a 1 minute talk to Assessor and Candidate **A**
- Candidate **A** asks Candidate **B** two questions about the talk (Assessor may prompt Candidate **A**)
- Assessor may ask Candidate **B** further questions related to the talk

Topics for Task 2

My Area

- Tell me about the area or place where you live now.
 - What is there in your area?

My Best Friend

- Tell me about your best friend.
 - What does he / she like doing?

Food in (*candidate's country*)

- Tell me about the food in (*candidate's country*).
 - What is your favourite food?

My Favourite Sport

- Tell me about your favourite sport
 - What do you like about it?

My Country / City / Village

- Tell me about your country or your city / village in (*country of origin*).
 - What do you like about it?

Task 3 – Describing People, Places or Objects

Guide time: 4 minutes in total

Assessor script:

Assessor shows Candidate **A** a picture or an object.

Please look at this picture / object. I'd like you to tell me and Candidate B what you can see in the picture or I'd like you to tell me and Candidate B about the object.

I want you to speak for about 1 minute.

Thank you, Candidate A. I'd like to ask you some questions....

(Assessor asks questions to elicit candidate's likes, dislikes and feelings about the picture.)

Thank you.

Repeat the process for Candidate **B**, using a different picture or object.

1. **Tell me what you can see in the picture.
What is your favourite room? Why?**



2. Tell me what you can see in the picture.
Do you like parks and gardens? Why?



3. Tell me what you can see in the picture.
Where do you do your shopping?



Task 4 – Listening & Discussion

Guide time: 10 minutes in total

Assessor script:

This is the listening task. You are going to hear two listening texts. I will play one text and you will answer questions, then I will play the second text and you will answer questions.

Now I will play the first text. (Assessor plays CD)

Estate Agent	Good morning. Can I help you?
Customer	Yes, hello. I'm looking for a house near the town centre.
Estate Agent	How many bedrooms do you want?
Customer	Two bedrooms.
Estate Agent	Yes, we have a house with two bedrooms for sale near the town centre. It is in Green Street. It has a bathroom upstairs and a toilet. Both the bedrooms are big. The kitchen is new and there is a garden behind the house.
Customer	That sounds nice. How much is it?
Estate Agent	Its £90,000.
Customer	Can I look at it today?
Estate Agent	I can show you the house at 4.00 pm.
Customer	That's fine. Thank you.

Candidate A, please answer yes or no. (Assessor asks gist question 1)

1	Is this about buying a flat?	No
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Candidate B, please answer yes or no. (Assessor asks gist question 2)

2	Is this about buying a house?	Yes
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Thank you. You will now listen to the text again. I'm going to give you some questions before you listen.

To Candidate A (Assessor asks detail question 1)

1	How many bedrooms does the customer want?
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2)

2	What is behind the house?
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Please listen again. (Assessor plays CD)

To Candidate A (Assessor asks detail question 1, Candidate answers)

1	How many bedrooms does the customer want?	Two
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2, Candidate answers)

2	What is behind the house?	A garden
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Thank you. I'm now going to play the second text. Please listen and then answer the questions.
(Assessor plays CD)

Ali	Hello, Maria. How are you? Are you well?
Maria	Hello Ali. Yes, I'm fine. I'm very busy. I've got a new house.
Ali	That's great! Where is your house?
Maria	It's in the town centre, near to Tesco.
Ali	So, tell me about your house.
Maria	Well, it has a kitchen with a table and four chairs. The living room is big. It has a door to the garden. The bathroom has a shower too. It's black and white. I like the bathroom.
Ali	It sounds lovely. What colour is the living room?
Maria	The carpet is red and the walls are white. Do you want to come and have a cup of tea and see the house?
Ali	Yes, please! Thanks.
Maria	Ok. Let's go.

Candidate A, please answer yes or no. (Assessor asks gist question 1)

1	Is this about a new supermarket?	No
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Candidate B, please answer yes or no. (Assessor asks gist question 2)

2	Is this about a new house?	Yes
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Thank you. You will now listen to the text again. I'm going to give you some questions before you listen.

To Candidate A (Assessor asks detail question 1)

1	What colour is the bathroom?
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2)

2	What is in the kitchen?
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Please listen again. (Assessor plays CD)

To Candidate A (Assessor asks detail question 1, Candidate answers)

1	What colour is the bathroom?	Black and white (full answer required)
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2, Candidate answers)

2	What is in the kitchen?	Table or four chairs
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Thank you.

4b Discussion

Now I'd like to talk with you about..... (Assessor leads short discussion with Candidate **A** and Candidate **B** around a topic from one of the texts.)

What is near your house / flat? Do you like houses or flats? Why? What colours do you like in your house / flat?

This is the end of your assessment. Thank you.

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