



ESOL Skills
for Life

ESB Entry Level Award in ESOL Skills for Life

(Speaking and Listening)

(Entry 1)

Assessor Booklet: Set L



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)

Home

- Do you live in a house or a flat?
- How many bedrooms do you have?
- What do you have in your sitting / living room?

Work/study

- Do you have a job / want a job?
- What job do you want?
- When do you come to 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 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 talk

Topics for Task 2

My Area

- Tell me about the area or place where you live now.
 - What can you do in your area?
 - What do you like about your area?

My Best Friend

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

Task 3 – Describing People, Places or Objects

Guide time: 4 minutes in total

Assessor script:

Assessor shows Candidate **A** a picture or 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 are they doing? Do you like your college class?**



2. Tell me what you can see in the picture.
What fruits do you like? Where do you go shopping?



SAMPLE

Task 4 – Listening & Discussion

Guide time: 10 minutes in total

4a Listening

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 recording)

Assistant	Good morning. Can I help you?
Woman	Hello. Yes, I want a bag for my friend. It's his birthday next week.
Assistant	What colour do you want?
Woman	He has some new black shoes and I think he wants a green bag.
Assistant	OK. We have this small green bag and this big green bag.
Woman	I like the small bag. How much is it?
Assistant	It's £20.
Woman	That's good. I want to buy this one.

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

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

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

To Candidate A (Assessor asks detail question 1)

1	What size bag does she like?
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2)

2	How much is the bag?
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Please listen again. (Assessor plays recording)

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

1	What size bag does she like?	Small
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2, Candidate answers)

2	How much is the bag?	£20
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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)

Telephone	This is Ali and Jack. We're sorry we can't come to the phone now. Please leave a message.
Jo(e)	Hi, this is Jo(e). I have a new job and I want to have a party. It's on Saturday at 7.00 at our house. Don't eat before you come. I'm cooking a meal. I hope you can come. My friend and his sister are coming. Can you come? Text me. Bye.

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

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

2	Is this about a new house?	No
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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 day is the party?
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2)

2	What time is the party?
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Please listen again. (Assessor plays recording)

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

1	What day is the party?	Saturday
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To Candidate B (Assessor asks detail question 2, Candidate answers)

2	What time is the party?	7.00
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Thank you.

4b Discussion

Now I'd like to talk with you about cooking.

Do you like cooking? Do you cook for friends or your family? What do you like to cook?

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