



ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE OR DIALECT

Common Oral Assessment Task Sample Marking key

Criterion 1: Content	Marks
Analyses and evaluates the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents relevant and	
well-structured responses to questions, with ideas developed in-depth and with detail to	8
explain and justify a point of view. Presents well-developed examples to support a coherent	O
argument and own opinions.	
Analyses and evaluates the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents relevant and	
developed responses to questions, with detailed ideas to explain and justify a point of view.	7
Gives well-developed examples to support an argument and own opinions.	
Explains in detail the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents relevant responses to	
questions with ideas to explain and justify a point of view. Gives developed examples to	6
support an argument and own opinions.	
Explains in some detail the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents relevant	
responses to questions with ideas to explain a point of view. Gives examples to support an	5
argument and own opinions.	
Explains the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents relevant responses to questions	4
with some ideas to explain a point of view. Gives examples to support own opinions.	4
Discusses the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents responses to most questions	
with some ideas. Gives few examples.	3
Provides a superficial description of the issues/topics related to the unit context. Presents	
some relevant responses to questions. Gives few examples.	2
Attempts to describe the issues/topics related to the unit context. Answers few questions with	
relevance or coherence.	1
Does not meet any of the above specified performance levels for this criterion.	0
Subtotal	8
Criterion 2: Fluency and clarity (pronunciation, intonation, stress)	
Is intelligible and fluent, using stress and intonation to highlight significant points and	
supporting detail. The L/D1 accent may be evident but does not impede communication in	5
any way.	
Is generally intelligible and fluent, using stress to highlight significant points and supporting	4
detail. The L/D1 accent may be evident but does not impede communication.	7
Is generally intelligible and fluent with some appropriate use of stress on words.	
Pronunciation interference from L/D1 may be evident but mostly does not impede	3
communication.	
Is generally intelligible and/or pronunciation interference from L/D1 is evident and impedes	2
communication at times.	2
Shows developing control of the sound system and intonation patterns of English so that	
many words or phrases may be unintelligible to the listener.	1
Does not meet any of the above specified performance levels for this criterion.	0
Subtotal	5
Criterion 3: Linguistic resources (accuracy, appropriacy and range of grammar and lexis)	
Controls linguistic resources, evenly, accurately and appropriately.	5
Controls linguistic resources mostly evenly, accurately and appropriately.	4
Generally controls linguistic resources with some accuracy and appropriateness; however, not	
always evenly.	3
Generally controls some linguistic resources, but unevenly and with frequent errors.	2
Has little control of linguistic resources so that meaning is impeded.	_
Does not meet any of the above specified performance levels for this criterion.	0
Subtotal	5
Criterion 4: Communication and register	
Uses communication strategies effectively including the sustained use of an appropriate	2
register and repair strategies for clarification. Uses notes/visual aids as a prompt but does not	
read from these.	
Uses some communication strategies including the use of an appropriate register with few	1
lapses and some ability to use repair strategies for clarification. Uses notes/visual aids as a	•
prompt and mostly does not read from these.	
Does not meet any of the above specified performance levels for this criterion.	0
Subtotal	2
Total	20
Total	

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