

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

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Paper 5 Oral Assessment A

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A Weather and climate

The world seems to be experiencing more extreme weather than ever before.

Discuss the reasons for this and its effects with the Examiner.

You may wish to consider such things as:

- your ideal weather conditions; times of the year you particularly like
- occasions when you have been affected by bad weather
- the extent to which you plan your life around the weather
- examples of the effects of severe weather
- the extent to which climate affects or shapes a culture.

You are free to consider any other ideas of your own.

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B Performance arts

Some people seem to have been born to perform; others prefer just to watch.

Discuss the art of performance with the Examiner.

You may wish to consider such things as:

- performances you have seen, or been part of
- your views on some of the types of performance art that exist e.g. theatre, ballet, musical concerts, the circus
- positive and negative aspects of being a performer
- how important you think it is to develop performance arts in schools
- the role of performance art in society; the idea that it should do more than just entertain.

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C Love

It's all around us, but it's hard to define.

Discuss love with the Examiner.

You may wish to consider such things as:

- what the word love means to you; how you would define it
- different types of love
- how and why love can fade
- how love can become harmful, or even destructive
- whether love or money is more important in life.

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D Objects of desire

Some people like to be surrounded by possessions.

Discuss this idea with the Examiner.

You may wish to consider such things as:

- an object or item that you would really like to have
- examples of what other people regard as desirable objects
- how owning such objects might bring problems
- why, by contrast, some people decide to have very few possessions
- whether collecting expensive items is wrong, or pointless.

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E Owning a restaurant

If you owned a restaurant, how would you manage it?

Discuss the idea of being a restaurant owner with the Examiner.

You may wish to consider such things as:

- your experience of being in restaurants
- the staff you would need and the characteristics/skills you would be looking for
- the type of menu you would offer; how you would make a success of your restaurant
- reasons why restaurants might become unpopular or fail
- how expensive restaurants justify their prices.

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