Speaking First

Ten practice tests for the Cambridge B2 First

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Test I

Test 1 – Part 1

2 minutes (3 minutes for groups of three)

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Candidates' background

Good morning/afternoon/evening. My name is and this is my colleague

And your names are?

Can I have your mark sheets, please?

Thank you.

- Where are you from, (*Candidate A*)?
- And you, (*Candidate B*)?

First, we'd like to know something about you.

Select one or more questions from any of the following categories, as appropriate.

Holidays and travelling

- When was the last time that you went on holiday? (What did you do?)
- When you're on holiday, how do you like to travel? (Why?)
- How often do you travel abroad? (Would you like to travel more?) (Why?)
- Is there a country that you would really like to visit in the future? (Why? / Why not?)

Free time

- How do you like to spend your free time? (Why?)
- How much free time do you have? (Do you think it's enough?)
- Do you prefer to spend your free time alone or with friends? (Why?)
- Is there a new leisure-time activity you'd like to try? (Which one?) (Why?)

Television

- Do you enjoy watching TV? (Why? / Why not?)
- Do you think people spend too much time watching TV nowadays? (Why? / Why not?)
- Have you ever appeared on TV? (Tell us about it.)
- Is there a programme you particularly enjoy watching? (Tell us about it.)

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1	Spending time together	2	Eating out		
Interlocutor	In this part of the test, I'm going to give each of you two p photographs on your own for about a minute, and also to photographs.	-	•	•	
	(<i>Candidate A</i>), it's your turn first. Here are your photographs. They show people spending time together .				
	Place Part 2 Task 1 , in front of Candidate A.				
	I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say what you think the people are enjoying about spending time together .				
	All right?				
Candidate A					
	1 minute				
Interlocutor	Thank you.				
Candidate B	(Candidate B), do you often spend time with your family	y?	. (Why? / Why	not?)	
	Approximately 30 seconds				
Interlocutor	Thank you. (Can I have the booklet, please?) Retrieve Part 2 Task 1.				
	Now, (<i>Candidate B</i>), here are your photographs. They show people having lunch in different places .				
	Place Part 2 Task 2 , in front of Candidate B.				
	I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say why you think the people have chosen to eat in these places.				
	All right?				
Candidate B					
	1 minute				
Interlocutor	cutor Thank you.				
	(Candidate A), where do you usually eat with your frien	ıds?	(Why?)		
Candidate A					
	Approximately 30 seconds				
Interlocutor	Thank you. (Can I have the booklet, please?) Retrieve Part 2 Task 2.				

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Test 1 – Part 2 Task 1

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What are the people enjoying about spending time together?



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Why have the people chosen to eat in these places?



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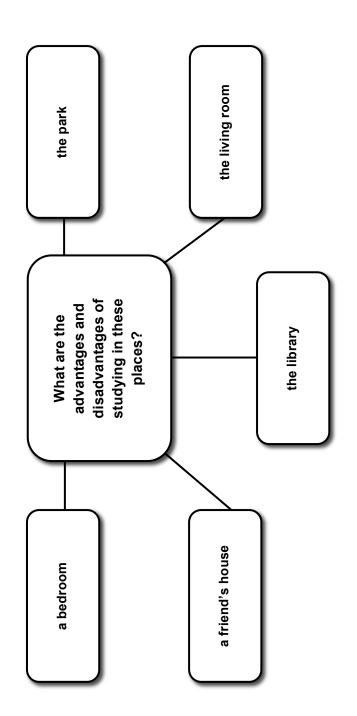
Test 1 – Part 3

4 minutes (5 minutes for groups of three)

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Choosing a place to study Interlocutor Now, I'd like you to talk about something together for about two minutes (3 minutes for groups of three). Here are some places where people sometimes choose to study and a question for you to discuss. First you have some time to look at the task. Place Part 3 Task 3, in front of the candidates. Allow 15 seconds. Now, talk to each other about the advantages and disadvantages of studying in these places. Candidate A 2 minutes (3 minutes for groups of three) Interlocutor Thank you. Now you have about a minute to decide what is the best place to study during the exam periods. Candidate B Approximately 30 seconds Interlocutor Thank you. (Can I have the booklet, please?) Retrieve Part 3 Task 3. Part 4 4 minutes (6 minutes for groups of three) Interlocutor *Use the following questions, in order, as appropriate:* Select any of the following prompts, as appropriate: Do you think that we study the right • What do you think? subjects at school? (Why? / Why not?) • Do you agree? Some people say it's more important to And you? study science than history. What's your opinion? Some people believe that practical experience is more useful than studying theory. Do you agree? (Why? / Why not?) Do you believe teachers should be paid a higher salary than sportspeople? (Why? / Why not?) Some people say that teachers and children get too many holidays. What do you ٠ think? Do you think that parents and teachers have the same responsibility in children's education? (Why? / Why not?) Interlocutor Thank you. That is the end of the test.

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